

PRIVATE PILOT

# CHECKRIDE ACE

## CHECKLIST

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# WELCOME AVIATORS!

Congratulations on making it to the checkride! As an instructor who puts students through this, and a mentor in the community that sees many people try, I can tell you that not all prospective pilots get here. It takes a measure of will and hard work that tests the very human spirit. That's why accolades are due.

But you aren't there yet. The checkride still lay ahead.

Because I've seen so many get so close, only to choose to drop out before they finish, I felt compelled to create a course that could help with those final pieces needed to make the checkride a success.

This course is called **Checkride ACE**.

As part of that program, I have students go through the Checkride Checklist, to make sure everything is in order for the big day. The Checkride Checklist is available to the entire community free of charge. I hope it helps you get organized!

I'd love to help you with even more detail and guidance with the full Checkride ACE course at [AngleofAttack.com](https://AngleofAttack.com). This will truly help you get prepared and motivated for the checkride. There's nothing I want more in this community than to see YOU achieve your goals.

So, good luck, have fun, work hard and let me know what I can do to help.

**Throttle On!**



**Chris Palmer**  
Founder & Chief Flight Instructor



**“ IT IS POSSIBLE TO FLY  
WITHOUT MOTORS,  
BUT NOT WITHOUT  
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL”**

**WILBUR WRIGHT**

## PPL Aeronautical Experience (61.109)

- ☐ Ground training [14 CFR 61.105(b)(1-13) & 61.107(b)(1)]
- ☐ Total Time: 40 hours [14 CFR 61.109(a)i-iii]
- ☐ Dual: 20 hours of flight training
  - ☐ 3 hours of X-C flight training
  - ☐ 3 hours of night flight training
    - ☐ 1 X-C flight of over 100 nm total distance
    - ☐ 10 T/O's and 10 Ldgs with each involving a flight in the traffic pattern
    - ☐ Alaska exemption
  - ☐ 3 hours of flight training by reference to instruments
- ☐ 3 hours of flight training within the 60 days prior to the practical test
- ☐ Solo: 10 hours of solo fly
  - ☐ 5 hours of solo X-C flying
  - ☐ 1 solo X-C flight of at least 150nm total distance with 3 points and one segment of at least 50nm between T/O and Ldg
  - ☐ 3 T/O's and Ldgs at a controlled airport

## Totals

- ☐ Totalize all logbook pages
- ☐ Sign pages
- ☐ Fill out detail sheet



## ENDORSEMENTS

### Knowledge Test

☐ **Aeronautical knowledge test: 61.35(a)(1), 61.103(d), and 61.105**

I certify that ( First name, MI, Last name ) has received the required training of 61.105. I have determined he/she is prepared for the Private Pilot Single Engine Land Aeronautical.

*Knowledge Test. OR:*

☐ **Review of a home study curriculum: 61.35(a)(1)**

I certify I have reviewed the home study curriculum of ( First name, MI, Last name ). I have determined he/she is prepared for the Private Pilot Single Engine Land Knowledge Test.

### TSA ENDORSEMENT

☐ **US Citizenship Endorsement: 49 CFR 1552.3(h)**

I certify that [insert student's name] has presented me a [insert type of document presented, such as a U.S. birth certificate or U.S. passport, and the relevant control or sequential number on the document, if any] establishing that [he or she] is a U.S. citizen or national in accordance with 49 CFR 1552.3(h).

( Insert date and instructor's signature and CFI number. )

☐ **If Non-Citizen:**

Follow TSA process, keep all documentation for five years. Checklist on AOPA website: [http://www.aopa.org/tsa\\_rule/](http://www.aopa.org/tsa_rule/)

## SOLO

## Initial Solo

☐ Presolo Knowledge Exam**Presolo aeronautical knowledge: 61.87(b)**

I certify that ( First name, MI, Last name ) has satisfactorily completed the presolo knowledge exam of 61.87(b) for the ( make and model aircraft ).

☐ Presolo Flight Training**Presolo flight training: 61.87(c)**

I certify that ( First name, MI, Last name ) has received the required presolo training in a (make and model Aircraft). I have determined he/she has demonstrated the proficiency of 61.87(d) and is proficient to make solo flights in ( make and model aircraft ).

☐ 90 Day Solo Flight (after initial)**90 days Solo Flight Endorsement: 61.87(n)(2)&(p)(5)**

(after initial solo endorsement)

I certify that ( First name, MI, Last name ) has received the required training to continue to qualify for solo flying. I have determined that ( he/she ) has demonstrated the proficiency of 61.87 ( [\*paragraphs d through m as appropriate] ) and is proficient to make solo flights in a ( make and model aircraft ).



## SOLO

## Cross Country

☐ Initial Solo Cross Country**Initial solo cross-country flight: 61.93(c)(1)**

I certify that ( First name, MI, Last name ) has received the required solo cross-country training. I find he/she has met the applicable requirements of 61.93, and is proficient to make solo cross-country flights in a ( make and model aircraft ).

☐ Cross Country Flight Planning (each solo cx flight)**Solo cross-country flight: 61.93(c)(2) (FOR EACH FLIGHT)**

I have reviewed the cross country planning of ( First name, MI, Last name ). I find the planning and preparation to be correct to make the solo flight from ( location ) to ( destination ) via ( route of flight ) with landings at ( name the airports ) in a ( make and model aircraft ) on ( date ). ( List any applicable conditions or Limitations. )

(See miscellaneous for solo night, class B, repeated solo cx, and solo at other airports)

***TRUST, BUT VERIFY:***

The language of your endorsements may vary, as there are different sources out there for your instructor to use. If you see anything missing, consult your instructor.



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