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Whose FAA Exam - The Instructor? The Student?

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Airmen Certification Standards (ACS)

Preparing Your Students



Appendix 3: Airman Knowledge Test Report

Immediately upon completion of the knowledge test, the applicant receives a printed Airman Knowledge Test Report (AKTR) documenting the score with the testing center's raised, embossed seal. The applicant must retain the original AKTR. The instructor must provide instruction in each area of deficiency and provide a logbook endorsement certifying that the applicant has demonstrated satisfactory knowledge in each area. When taking the practical test, the applicant must present the original AKTR to the evaluator, who is required to assess the noted areas of deficiency during the ground portion of the practical test.

An AKTR expires 24 calendar months after the month the applicant completes the knowledge test. If the AKTR expires before completion of the practical test, the applicant must retake the knowledge test.

To obtain a duplicate AKTR due to loss or destruction of the original, the applicant can send a signed request accompanied by a check or money order for \$12.00 (U.S. funds), payable to the FAA to:

Federal Aviation Administration
 Airman Certification Branch, AFS-760
 P.O. Box 25082
 Oklahoma City, OK 73125

To obtain a copy of the application form or a list of the information required, please see the [Airman Certification Branch \(AFS-760\) web page](#).

FAA Knowledge Test Question Coding

Each Task in the ACS includes an ACS code. This ACS code will soon be displayed on the AKTR to indicate what Task element was proven deficient on the knowledge test. Instructors can then provide remedial training in the deficient areas, and evaluators can re-test this element during the practical test.

Appendix 4: The Practical Test – Eligibility and Prerequisites

The prerequisite requirements and general eligibility for a practical test and the specific requirements for the original issuance of a Private Pilot Certificate in the airplane category can be found in 14 CFR part 61, sections 61.39(a)(1) through (7) and 61.103, respectively.

Appendix 5: Practical Test Roles, Responsibilities, and Outcomes

Applicant Responsibilities

The applicant is responsible for mastering the established standards for knowledge, skill, and risk management elements in all Tasks appropriate to the certificate and rating sought. The applicant should use this ACS, its references, and the Practical Test Checklist in this Appendix in preparation to take the practical test.

Instructor Responsibilities

The instructor is responsible for training the applicant to meet the established standards for knowledge, skill, and risk management elements in all Tasks appropriate to the certificate and rating sought. The instructor should use this ACS and its references as part of preparing the applicant to take the practical test and, if necessary, in retraining the applicant to proficiency in all subject(s) missed on the knowledge test.

Evaluator Responsibilities

An evaluator is:


- Aviation Safety Inspector (ASI);
- Pilot examiner (other than administrative pilot examiners);
- Training center evaluator (TCE);
- Chief instructor, assistant chief instructor or check instructor of pilot school holding examining authority; or
- Instrument Flight Instructor (CFI) conducting instrument proficiency check (IPC).

The evaluator who conducts the practical test is responsible for determining that the applicant meets the established standards of aeronautical knowledge, skills (flight proficiency), and risk management for the Tasks in the appropriate ACS. This responsibility also includes verifying the experience requirements specified for a certificate or rating.

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- Knowledge verses memorization
- Work Arounds
- Role of Published Materials





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Airman Knowledge Sample Test Questions

Pilot		
Title	Publication Date	Status
Airline Transport Sample Questions Helicopter – ATH (PDF)	2/9/2016	Active
Airline Transport Sample Questions Multiengine Class Rating – ATM 121 (PDF)	6/12/2017	Active
Airline Transport Sample Questions Single Engine Class Rating – ATS 135 (PDF)	6/12/2017	Active
Commercial Pilot Airplane Sample Questions – CAX (PDF)	2/9/2016	Active
Light Sport Airplane Sample Questions (PDF)	10/13/2017	Active
Private Pilot Airplane Sample Questions – PAR (PDF)	11/14/2017	Active
Private Pilot Helicopter Sample Questions – PRH (PDF)	2/9/2016	Active
Private Pilot Glider Sample Questions – PGL (PDF)	6/12/2017	Active
Unmanned Aircraft General – Small Sample Questions – UAG (PDF)	6/12/2017	Active



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- Being a Professional Flight Instructor
- Minimum Required Ground Instruction Time
- Best Score – Better Practical Exam Oral



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- Nervous Students
- International Students
- Reviewing Knowledge Test Scores
- Requesting 'Hand Grade'
- Retakes

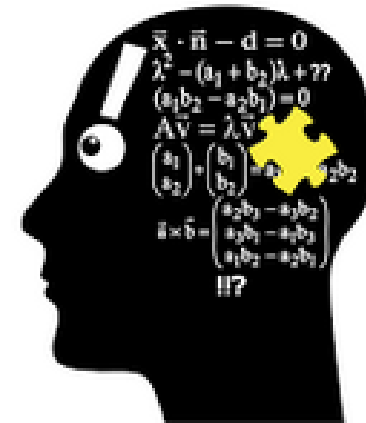


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FAA Practical Test Prep

NOT A MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

- Pilot – not learning high school algebra
- Published Materials
- Entire Flying Life



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NOT A MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

- DPE Subject Areas
- ACS in own words
- Missed Questions
- Nervous Students



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International Students

Aviation Instructor Handbook

- Chapter 7: Instructor *responsibilities still apply*
- Chapter 3: Communication still applies

ACS Introduction

- Delay
- Focus on competence and safety



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NOT A MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

International Students

- Share a common goal: *“You have to fly this just well enough to get by the examiner.”*
- Reinforce two reasons for assessment 1) to learn 2) to credential

Considerations, international students:

- Be culturally aware
- USE of Language: *Slower and Louder!*



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PHOTO Fred w/student

BOTH!



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