

RECREATIONAL PILOT PERMIT - AEROPLANE

PRIVILEGES:

Act as Pilot-in-Command of an ultra-light aeroplane or single-engine aeroplane that is designed to carry a maximum of 4 persons - land.

- Canadian airspace only
- Daytime only
- May carry no more than one passenger
- Additional ratings may not be added to this licence

FLIGHT TRAINING:

A minimum of 25 hours of flight time, which must include:

- 15 hours of dual instruction
 - 2 hours of cross-country flight time
- 5 hours of solo flight practise

MEDICAL FITNESS:

An applicant shall hold a valid category 4, category 3, or category 1 medical certificate.

GROUND SCHOOL TRAINING:

A Recreational Pilot Permit applicant does not require an approved ground school, however it is strongly recommended that the student enrolls in a Private Pilot Licence ground school course. This course consists of a series of lectures aimed at fully preparing the student for not only the required Transport Canada examinations, but also a safe and satisfying time in the world of aviation. The subjects dealt with in the ground school include Air Law, Aeronautics, Navigation, Meteorology, etc.

Durham Flight Centre has partnered with the online ground school provider Canadian Flight Trainers in order to provide our students with an engaging and interactive course with a flexible schedule.

WRITTEN EXAMINATION:

A Transport Canada written exam is required.

- You must obtain a minimum of 60% in each of the following mandatory areas:
 - Air Law
 - Navigation
 - Meteorology
 - General Knowledge

FLIGHT TEST:

A flight test is required.

COURSE ENROLLMENT:

Students may enroll at any time and commence flight training at their convenience.

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS:

Prerequisites: None.

Age: 14 years of age or older. A student must be 14 years of age to conduct solo flight training, however an applicant cannot be issued the Recreational Pilot Permit until they have reached the age of 16.

Citizenship: Must be a Canadian citizen, a landed immigrant, or person admitted into Canada to undertake flight training.

Language: Must be able to read, write, and speak in English without assistance. Students will also need to pass an English Language Proficiency test if they did not attend a Canadian secondary school for grade 12.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Durham Flight Centre operates on a "pay as you fly" basis for flight training, thus no up-front payments are required. Payment is based on hourly rates and will be paid after the completion of each lesson.

COST BREAKDOWN:

The following cost breakdown is based on the average Durham Flight Centre student completing their training in a Cessna 172. The actual cost could vary with individual progress or needs.

• 20 Hours Dual Flight Instruction	\$5,600.00
• 10 Hours Solo Flight Practice	\$1,950.00
• 6 Hours Pre-flight Preparatory Instruction	\$510.00
• Pilot Supplies*	\$305.65
• Ground School Tuition Fee**	\$299.00
• Radio Operator Certificate Sign-off Fee	\$75.00
• Student Pilot Permit Sign-off Fee	\$75.00
• Transport Canada Flight Test Aircraft Rental (1.2 Flight Time)	\$234.00
• Recreational Pilot Permit Sign-off Fee	\$75.00
 • Total Cost***	 \$9,123.65

The above costs do not include HST.

*Pilot supplies consist of the following items: Flight Bag, Pilot Training Record, Pilot Logbook, Flight Training Manual, From The Ground Up, CARs for Private Pilot, Private Pilot Reference Guide, E6-B Flight Computer, Douglas Protractor, ICAO Ruler, VNC - Toronto, VTA - Toronto, Pilot's Operating Handbook (Cessna 152 or Cessna 172)

**Private pilot licence ground school provided by: myflighttraining.ca/dfc

***The total cost does not include additional fees that may be incurred during flight training such as medical fees, written/flight test fees, licencing fees, etc.

Effective May 1, 2025 (Prices are subject to change)