

Commercial Pilot check ride check list- PART 61

14 CFR 61.123

___ 18 years old

___ Read, write, speak understand English

Documents per 61.123:

___ Pass Knowledge test, bring copy to practical

___ Private pilot certificate

___ Instrument Rating- otherwise will have VFR DAY/50 nm restriction

___ Third class medical (**original- no copies**) -or basic med to take practical (need 2nd class medical to fly commercial ops)

Flight Experience MEL or SEL (14 CFR 61.129)

___ 250 hrs total (any aircraft)

___ 100 hrs in powered aircraft (vs glider)

___ 100 PIC time to include:

___ 50 hrs in airplanes

___ 50 hrs cross country time (10 hrs in airplanes)

Flight experience for **INITIAL** commercial rating MEL/SEL/SES 61.129

___ 20 hrs of training in aircraft areas of 61.129 to include:

___ 10 hrs instrument training including
attitude instrument flying, partial panel, unusual attitudes, intercept
and tracking nav systems## (Instrument Rating may not meet requirements-see note##)
(5 hrs in any aircraft, 5 hrs MUST be in aircraft specific to rating –MEL vs SEL)

___ 10 hrs training in aircraft SEL/MEL (specific to rating sought) with retractable gear, flaps and controllable pitch prop or TAA (PFD/MFD/2-axis autopilot)

___ One 2 hr dual daytime cross country > 100 nm (MEL/SEL/SES, not required to be complex)

___ One 2 hr dual nighttime cross country > 100nm (MEL/SEL/SES, not required to be complex)

___ 3 hrs with CFI in prep for practical w/in 2 calendar months of test

___ 10 hrs of Solo (**OR** acting as PIC with instructor on board**) in single engine aircraft (does not have to be complex aircraft) to include:

___ one cross country of > 300 nm, landing 3 points, one leg of >250 nm

___ 5 hrs of night VFR w/ 10 take off and landings at towered airport

****ALL** 10 hrs must be solo, **or** ALL 10 hrs acting PIC with instructor. If logged as PIC with instructor, do not record DUAL. CFI signs with notations ***“observed PIC to meet requirements of 61.129(a)(4)”***. See *legal interpretations Grannis 2016 and Kuhn 2014*.

Instrument rating does not automatically qualify an applicant as meeting requirements of 61.129.. Documentation of training in specific areas of 61.129(a)(3)(i) is required to qualify for a commercial rating or notation in remarks of instrument training entries “to meet requirements of 61.129(a)(3)(i)”. *Legal Interpretation Oord 2018*.

NOTE: for **multiengine** add on to single engine commercial rating, the above experience does not need to be replicated in Multiengine aircraft. See requirements in FAR 61,63(c) for additional class rating.

Log book Endorsements.

___ **Aeronautical Knowledge Test 61.35(a)(1), 61.125 completed** Ground or home study course and prepared for knowledge test. **(must LOG required ground training of 61.125(b).**

___ **Prerequisites for Practical Tests. 61.39(a)(6)**

- (i) received/logged training w/in 2 months preceding practical test
- (ii) is prepared for practical test,
- (iii) demonstrated satisfactory knowledge of the areas deficient on knowledge test.
(this is 2 endorsements in the AC 61-65-H.)

___ **Flight proficiency/Practical test 61.123** _flight and **Ground training** in areas of operation 61.127(*) and aeronautical experience 61.129.

LOG BOOK Entries of **GROUND and Flight Training (see training log form)**

___ Log of **ground training** per **61.125(b)(1)-(15)**

___ Log of **ground** and flight training per **61.127(a)** in areas of operation

___ **Practical test Application (online/IACRA)**