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Flight Training in the USA

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US PILOT CERTIFICATE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA XI

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

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IX HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE PROPERLY QUALIFIED TO EXERCISE THE PRIVILEGES OF
II FLIGHT ENGINEER

III CERTIFICATE NUMBER XXXXXXXXXXXXX

X DATE OF ISSUE 16 MAY 2002

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General structure of certification

Pilot training

- Knowledge tests
- Practical tests
- Becoming a professional pilot



US Pilot certificates.

- - Student pilot
 - Sport pilot
 - Recreational pilot
 - Private pilot
 - Commercial pilot
 - Airline transport pilot



Number of active pilots

- As of the end of 2011, in the US, there were an estimated 594,285 active certificated pilots.^[13] This number has been declining gradually over the past several decades, down from a high of over 827,000 pilots in 1980. The numbers include:
 - 72,280 student pilots
 - 234 recreational pilots
 - 3,248 sport pilots
 - 211,619 private pilots
 - 125,738 commercial pilots
 - 144,600 airline transport pilots
 - 21,268 glider-only pilots
 - 15,298 rotorcraft-(helicopter)-only pilots



Other certificates and ratings

- A [flight instructor](#) certificate authorizes the holder to give training and endorsement for a certificate, and perform a flight review.
- An [instrument rating](#) is required to fly under [instrument flight rules](#). Instrument ratings are issued for a specific category of aircraft; a pilot certified to fly an airplane under IFR has an *Instrument Airplane* rating.
- An instrument instructor rating authorizes a certified flight instructor to give training and endorsement for an instrument rating.
- A multi-engine rating is required to fly an airplane with more than one engine. It is the most common example of a [class rating](#).
- A multi-engine instructor rating authorizes a certified flight instructor to give training and endorsement for a multi-engine rating.



Types of Training Centers

- **Part 61:** You're not bound by a specific lesson plan which allows you to jump around a bit in your training – Must comply with flight hours requirements
- **Part 141:** Part 141 flight schools have a lot of requirements and are given a great deal of direction from the FAA – Can reduce number of required hours
- **Part 142:** Simulator Training Center
- **Part 147:** Maintenance Training Center



Up coming changes for ATP

Receive an ATP certificate with airplane category and multiengine class rating:

- Meet all of the requirements in the current regulations
- Successfully complete a new ATP Certification Training Program before taking the ATP knowledge test, and:
- Have a minimum of 50 hours in class
- of airplane.



Search training center in the USA

- <http://av-info.faa.gov/PilotSchool.asp>
- <http://av-info.faa.gov/MaintenanceSchool.asp>
- http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ato/service_units/operations/at_cti/schools/



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