

## **Sport Pilot Requirements (FAR 61.313)**

- Be at least 17 years of age.
- Possess a currently valid Airman Medical Certificate *or* a state-issued driver's license.
- Be able to read, write, and speak the English language.
- Be able to prove U.S. citizenship or nationality, or else comply with TSA procedures for alien flight training eligibility.
- Have completed the following flight training as a student pilot training under a Certified Flight Instructor (CFI) or Certified Flight Instructor - Light Sport (CFI-LS):
  - ❑ 20 hours flight time, including:
    - ❑ Fifteen hours of dual flight instruction
    - ❑ Five hours solo
    - ❑ Two hours dual cross-country (25nm straight line distance)
    - ❑ One solo cross-country flight (75nm total distance, full stop landing at 2 points, one segment must be a straight line distance of 25nm)
    - ❑ Two hours of test prep instruction
- Pass the FAA Sport Pilot Knowledge Test (sometimes called the "written" test, although it's generally taken at a computer testing center these days)
- Pass the FAA Sport Pilot Practical Test (oral and flight test, or "checkride")

Keep In mind as a Sport Pilot, you can only fly a qualified Light Sport Aircraft (LSA). These aircraft have a single engine and a maximum of 2 seats. They must weigh less than 1,320 pounds and can fly no faster than 138 miles per hour. You will not be permitted to fly at night or through clouds, and you must stay below 10,000 feet.