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Private Pilot Licence (PPL)

The Private Pilot Licence (PPL) program is designed for those who want to fly recreationally without the restrictions of the Recreational Pilot Permit. It is also a prerequisite for those wanting to pursue a Commercial Pilot Licence toward a pilot career. Holders of a PPL may fly all single engines, non-high performance aircraft day VFR. Ratings such as Night, Multi-engine, Seaplane and Instrument may be endorsed on a PPL.

This program focuses on in-depth ground and flight instruction. Ground School consists of 40 hours of in-class or online training to prepare the student for the Transport Canada written examination. Subjects to be covered include:

- Air Law and Procedures
- Navigation and Radio Aids
- Meteorology
- Airframes, Engines and Systems
- Theory of Flight
- Flight Instruments
- Flight Operations
- Human Factors

Flight Training consists of a minimum of 45 hours of flight instruction preparing the student for the Transport Canada flight test. The 45 hours must include the following minimum hour requirements:

- 17 Hours of Dual Instruction
- 3 Hours Cross-Country
- 5 Hours Instrument Flight Time (Max 3 in Simulator)
- 12 Hours of Solo Flight Time
- 5 Hours Cross-Country
- 150 nm Cross-Country
- Note: While it is possible to achieve the PPL within the minimums, the national student average is between 65 and 75 hours of flight training.

Estimated Minimum Training Costs – Cessna 172	
30 hrs Dual @ \$224	\$6,720
15 hrs Solo @ \$159	\$2,385
20 hours ground briefing	\$1,100
Ground school classes and kit	\$ 780
Medical, Exam & Licencing Fees	\$ 535
Total excl. tax	\$11,520

Note: For Cessna 150/152 pricing: \$10,170/\$10,755 excl tax