

Endorsements and Pilot Qualifications

Flight Instructors With a Sport Pilot Rating, 61 Subpart K

61 Subpart K: Sport Instructors

61.403 Eligibility

- Must be 18 years old
- Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language
- Hold at least a Sport Pilot Certificate
- Pass the FOI and Sport Pilot Flight Instructor knowledge tests
- Be endorsed for and pass the practical test
- Receive spin training and an endorsement

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61.407 Knowledge Areas

- Receive and log ground training on the fundamentals of instruction
- Receive ground instruction on these aeronautical knowledge areas for:
 - Part 61.309 Sport pilot knowledge areas

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61.409 Flight Proficiency

- The same as the subpart H flight instructor requirements (61.187), except:
 - No night or instrument flight training

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61.411 Aeronautical Experience

- 150 hours of total time,
 - 100 hours of PIC time in powered aircraft
 - 50 hours in single-engine airplane
 - 25 hours XC time
 - 10 hours XC time in single-engine airplane
 - 15 hours PIC time in single-engine light-sport airplane

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61.411 Aeronautical Experience

- Sport instructors will need to instruct students on the "12 things" list in 61.93(e)
 - This includes "Control and maneuvering solely by reference to flight instruments"
 - This only applies for sport pilot applicants training in an airplane with a V_H greater than 87 knots CAS
- To give this training, the instructor will need:
 - The greater than 87 knots V_H endorsement
 - 1 hour ground training
 - 3 hours of flight training in an airplane with a V_H greater than 87 KCAS
 - Get an endorse from a Subpart H instructor

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61.413 Privileges

- Provide training, recommendations, and endorsements:
 - For the following ratings: Sport, student, sport instructor
 - Knowledge tests and practical tests recommendations
 - Flight reviews for sport pilot
 - Authorize solo flights
 - Proficiency checks for additional category/class
 - Approve application for UAS certificate
- Limitations are the same as the subpart H instructor



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61.417 Category and Class

- By default an sport pilot instructor certificate does not include any category or class rating
- To add additional category or class requires two pilots, the primary and the check instructors (just like for sport pilots)

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61.429 Recency and Reinstatement

- The same requirements as for subpart H instructors
 - 24 months: FIRC, practical test, 5 applicants with 80% pass rate
 - 3 month grace period