

Instrument Airplane Checklist

Aeronautical Experience – 61.65 Instrument Rating

- ☐ 50 hours of cross-country flight time as pilot in command, of which 10 hours must have been in an airplane;
- and
- ☐ Forty hours of actual or simulated instrument time in the areas of operation listed in [paragraph \(c\)](#) of this section, of which 15 hours must have been received from an authorized instructor who holds an instrument airplane rating, and the instrument time includes:
- ☐ Three hours of instrument flight training from an authorized instructor in an airplane that is appropriate to the instrument-airplane rating within 2 calendar months before the date of the practical test; and
- ☐ Instrument flight training on cross country flight procedures, including one cross country flight in an airplane with an authorized instructor, that is performed under instrument flight rules, when a flight plan has been filed with an air traffic control facility, and that involves—
- ☐ A flight of 250 nautical miles along airways or by directed routing from an air traffic control facility;
- ☐ An instrument approach at each airport; and
- ☐ Three different kinds of approaches with the use of navigation systems.