

# NEWSLETTER

## CFI BOOTCAMP

### **NEW - GET WINGS CREDIT FOR MOST CFI BOOTCAMP'S WEEKLY/SATURDAY POWER HOURS.**

In case you weren't aware, we do a one-hour live show every Saturday, from Noon until 1 pm Eastern time (1700-1800 Z.) We have done over 214 shows with attendance from 100 to 300. Topics include flight instructor-centric topics such as How to give an effective flight review, A review of the top FAA training handbooks of all time, How to handle challenging students, etc. We also have topics for everyday pilots and pilots in training. We regularly review ForeFlight's newest features, Deep dives on the Commercial Maneuvers, How to make better landings with techniques that are NOT in the FAA handbooks, and so on.

We submit all power hour shows to the FAA for approval for Wings credit. Almost all are approved! So now you'll be able to get Wings credit for attending a live show. You need to register to be able to participate in the live show. You then get three emails about the show as reminders. One is sent on Wednesday or Thursday announcing the show's topic, link to use, and the date and time. You'll also get an email an hour before the show starts and one last one right before the show starts so you don't miss out.

During the show, there is a link you can click for wings credit. It is an automated process. You enter your email and name, and we get the validation for you from the FAA.

[Here is the link to the power hour registration page.](#)

## **WE'VE UPDATED THE ONLINE CFI COURSE WITH 16 NEW VIDEOS AND MORE.**

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We updated a lot of videos and even made some new ones. The new ACS is fully addressed, and the new AC 61-65J has its own video! We revamped the airspace video with graphics from ForeFlight and gave you step-by-step instructions on how to teach airspace using ForeFlight. The Student, Recreational, Commercial, Flight Instructor, and Sport regulations videos have all been completely redone, aligning with the FAA's rule changes on Flight Instructor and BasicMed regulations.

In addition, the workbook and any assessments are now part of each lesson, so there is no longer a need for a study guide or separate workbook. The workbook was completely reformatted to work within the online course, and everything looks a lot tighter.

We will release the new version of the online course very shortly and send out an email when it's ready to go. Expect it in about a week.

## **WE'VE UPDATED THE ENDORSEMENTS AND SCENARIOS BOOK WITH TEN NEW**

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One of our products, which saves you a lot of time and money, has been updated with a brand new format, new flowcharts, and nine new scenarios.

These scenarios cover Student Pilots, Initial Pilot Certification, Adding additional categories and classes, Solving a pilot who is not a student pilot, Sport Pilots and Sport Pilot Flight Instructors, Flight and Ground Instructors, and One off activities like flight reviews, IPCs, Complex endorsements and so on. All scenarios have a textual description solution, and most have a flow chart to guide you through the regulations so you can check to see if you solved them correctly.

In the flight instructor scenarios, they conform to the new ways to meet recency of experience and reinstatement.

The flowcharts were all completely remastered and have color elements to help navigate them faster.

Using this book saves you a lot of ground instruction from an instructor qualified to train first-time instructor applicants. By solving the scenarios and checking the work and FAR logic with the flow charts you are able to do this on your own! Your CFI then only needs to be sure you do it on your own. Most of our customers find this book to be the most used in everything we make.

This book should be ready in about a week. We will send you an email when we release it.

In the meantime, here is an excerpt.

## **NO MORE CFI EXPIRATION DATES? WHAT WILL WE DO?**

Effective December 1, 2024, CFI certificates won't be issued with an expiration date. They are changing the old "Renewal" process to be a Recency of Experience requirement. To exercise your CFI privileges, you'll need to complete the Recency of Experience requirement before 24 calendar months elapse from when you either did it last or your expiration date on your current CFI certificate. The methods to meet the recency of experience are as follows:

1. Recommend at least five applicants for a practical test with a first-time pass rate of at least 80%.
2. Complete a phase of the Wings program yourself and provide 15 hours of instruction for at least 5 Wings Pilots seeking Wings Phase completion.
3. Complete a military instructor competence test.
4. Complete a Flight Instructor Refresher Course (FIRC.)
5. Pass a practical test instead of meeting the recency of experience requirements.
6. Pass a practical test for an additional flight instructor rating.

These require you to create an IACRA application.

Most of these require a certifying official to sign your IACRA application. This will reset your recency of experience requirements for 24 calendar months.

For those with expiration dates on their current CFI certificate, you'll need to meet one of the recency of experience requirements before your certificate expires.

If you don't have your recency of experience requirements met after the 24 calendar month period, you have three calendar months to reinstate. The reinstatement requirements are:

1. Complete a FIRC.
2. Pass a reinstatement practical test.
3. Pass a practical test for an additional flight instructor rating.

After the 24 calendar month recency of experience passes, you can only exercise the privileges of your instructor certificate once reinstatement is accomplished as indicated above.

Endorsing is nearly the same as it has been.

If you have an expiration date on your current CFI certificate, continue to use this format:

Date/Signature/CFI certificate number/Expiration Date

If you have a CFI certificate without an expiration date, then use this format:

### **PROTIPS:**

1. Newray makes the model airplane we use at CFI Bootcamp. It's called Sky Pilot, and it's a 1:42 scale plastic model that's the perfect size for one-to-one or ground schools. It's available at Amazon for around \$20.
2. Get a smart TV for the classroom or briefing area in your school. You can mirror your iPad or laptop and deliver a much better lesson. Plus you can have movie nights at the school!
3. If you use your iPad and a smart TV, you'll want to keep a 6 ft HDMI Cable and an HDMI adapter for your iPad. You'll need this when the internet goes down.

## THE POWER HOUR IS OVER FOUR YEARS OLD, WITH **215** EPISODES.

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In case you don't know, CFI Bootcamp does a live one-hour lesson on Saturday from noon to one Eastern time. Topics vary from deep dives on specific maneuvers, the art of visually flying, ForeFlight features you probably didn't know, How to use a Syllabus and lesson plan together, and more. The Power Hour is free when it's live.

[Click here to get the login details.](#)

You get a reminder mid-week, an hour before the show and when it starts, so you won't miss it.

### POWER HOUR LESSON SCHEDULE



**A look into one of the best FAA handbook.**  
Our thoughts on this magnificent work of art.



**Teaching Ground Reference Maneuvers.**  
You'll see some new ones that you can use in your next training flight.



**Life in the Fast Lane.**  
A look into the Cirrus SR22 and what training is like.

## CFI Bootcamp Program Calendar

[Register Now.](#)

### \*January 2025 | Palo Alto - or Remote

**Initial Flight Instructor (CFI) | 1/06/25 - 1/12/25**  
7 Day Immersion Class Focused on Preparing you for the CFI Practical Checkride. (In - Person or Live Streaming options available.)

**Instrument Flight Instructor | 1/13/25 - 11/15/25**  
3 Day Immersion Class Focused on Preparing you for the CFI Practical Checkride. (In - Person or Live Streaming options available.)

**CFI Mastery Class | 1/25/25 - 11/26/25**  
3 Day Immersion Class Focused on Preparing you for the CFI Practical Checkride. (In - Person or Live Streaming options available.)

[Register Now.](#)

### February 2025 | Miami - or KPAO or Virtual

**Initial Flight Instructor (CFI) | 2/17/25 - 2/23/25**  
7 Day Immersion Class Focused on Preparing you for the CFI Practical Checkride. (In - Person or Live Streaming options available.)

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