



Instrument Pilot Program – Cessna 172N

SEFT's instrument program will take any pilot to a level of safety and proficiency greater than that achieved through the private pilot program. Obtaining an instrument rating will make for a better pilot, reduce insurance premiums and is more marketable, as many aviation employers require their pilots to be instrument rated.

A minimum of 40 flight hours under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) are required by the FAA. Most students take advantage of the opportunity to obtain an instrument rating while building time towards their Commercial Pilot License. This rating also requires a FAA Third Class Medical as well as an instrument pilot airplane knowledge and practical exam.

Description	Number	Units	Rate	Costs**
Flight Instructor Costs:				
Ground School Instruction	15	Instruction Hrs	\$75.00	\$1,125.00
Flight Instruction	40	Instruction Hrs	\$75.00	\$3,000.00
Checkride Prep/Endorsement	3	Instruction Hrs	\$75.00	\$225.00
Total Pilot Instructor Time & Costs:	58	Instruction Hours		<u>\$4,350.00</u>
Aircraft Rental Costs:				
Aircraft Rental – Cessna 172N	40	Flight Hrs	\$139.00	\$5,560.00
Checkride Rental – Cessna 172N	2	Flight Hrs	\$139.00	\$278.00
Fuel (assumes average 6 GPH)	252	Gallons	\$9.10	<u>\$2,293.20</u>
Total Aircraft Rental Costs:	42	Flight Hrs & 252 Gallons		<u>\$8,131.20</u>

Summary:

	Instructor	Airplane	Total
Instrument Rating	\$4,350.00	\$8,131.20	\$12,481.20

This rating assumes a total of 50 hours of cross-country Pilot-In-Command time has been completed or will be completed by the flight exam.

This cost estimate assumes the minimum flight hours required by FAA Regulation. It should be noted that it is not common to complete your training within these times.