



Private Pilot Program – Cessna 172N

A Private Pilot License (PPL) is the most popular certificate held and a great place to start for those who are serious about learning how to fly. As a private pilot, you are required to obtain a third-class FAA medical certificate and pass a private pilot airplane knowledge and practical exam. The FAA minimum for the Private Pilot License is 40 hours of flight time, 10 of these hours as solo. Once this license is achieved, you will be able to act as pilot-in-command in a single-engine aircraft under Visual Flight Rules (VFR).

Description	Number	Units	Rate	Costs*
Flight Instructor Costs:				
Ground Instruction	20	Instruction Hrs	\$75.00	\$1,500.00
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:	63	Instruction Hours		\$4,725.00
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	\$2,293.20
Total Aircraft Rental Costs:	42	Flight Hrs & 252 Gallons		\$8,131.20

Summary:

	Instructor	Airplane	Total
Private Pilot Certificate	\$4,725.00	\$8,131.20	\$12,856.20

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. The Average Client will complete their goals closer to 55 hours.