



Update to Private Pilot Rotorcraft for Helicopter and Gyroplane Practical Test Standards May 2013

This update makes the Private Pilot Rotorcraft (ASA-8081-15A) Practical Test Standards current for all regulatory and procedural changes, including Change 1 (released 05/06/13).

Change 1 (May 6, 2013)

- Added language to the *General Information* section of the Introduction regarding combined practical tests (page 1) as a result of a change in Federal Aviation Regulation (14 CFR part 61, section 61.65).

Applicants for a combined private pilot certificate with instrument rating, in accordance with 14 CFR part 61, section 61.65 (a) and (g), must pass all areas designated in the Private Pilot PTS and the Instrument Rating PTS. Examiners need not duplicate tasks. For example, only one preflight demonstration would be required; however, the Preflight Task from the Instrument Rating PTS may be more extensive than the Preflight Task from the Private Pilot PTS to ensure readiness for IFR flight.

A combined checkride should be treated as one practical test, requiring only one application and resulting in only one temporary certificate, disapproval notice, or letter of discontinuance, as applicable. Failure of any task will result in a failure of the entire test and application. Therefore, even if the deficient maneuver was instrument related and the performance of all VFR tasks was determined to be satisfactory, the applicant will receive a notice of disapproval.