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Pilot Currency: Previous Six Calendar Months



Instrument Experience or Instrument Proficiency Check

- ✓ Six approaches
- ✓ Holding procedures
- ✓ Intercepting/tracking courses

Currency Lapsed?

- ✓ Six month grace period to meet experience reqs.
- ✓ After six months, must take IPC

- ✓ Holding procedures
- ✓ Unusual attitudes
- ✓ Intercepting/tracking courses
- ✓ DME arcs [if equipped]
- ✓ Nonprecision approach
- ✓ Precision approach
- ✓ Missed approach
- ✓ Circling approach [airplanes only]
- ✓ Landing from an approach
- ✓ Partial-panel approach
- ✓ Checking instruments/equipment
- ✓ *Multiengine aircraft only:*
 - Engine-out maneuvers
 - Engine-out approach



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Aircraft Requirements:

Equipment

- ✓ Radios/Nav equipment suitable for route
- ✓ Gyroscopic rate-of-turn indicator
- ✓ Slip-skid indicator
- ✓ Sensitive altimeter
- ✓ Clock w/ hours, minutes, seconds
- ✓ Gyroscopic pitch and bank indicator
- ✓ Gyroscopic direction indicator
- ✓ DME (above FL240)

Recurrent Items

24 Calendar Months

- ✓ Static pressure system
- ✓ Altimeter
- ✓ Encoder
- ✓ Transponder

30 Days

- ✓ VOR check
 - Airborne +/- 6 degrees
 - Ground +/- 4 degrees
 - Dual VORs +/- 4 degrees

28 Days

- ✓ GPS database

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Alternate Requirements:

1-2-3 Method

ETA +/- 1 hour
Ceiling at least 2,000'?
Visibility at least 3 sm?

If "no," alternate is required

Weather Minimums

If alternate has:

- ✓ Precision approach
 - At least 600' – 2sm
- ✓ Nonprecision approach
 - At least 800' – 2sm
- ✓ No approach
 - Basic VFR

Fuel Requirements:

Alternate Required

- Departure to destination
- + Destination to alternate
- + 45 mins at cruise speed

Alternate Not Required

- Departure to destination
- + 45 mins at cruise speed

ASF Recommendation

At any point in the flight, be able to say that you will have at least ONE HOUR of fuel when you land

ATC Reports:

At All Times

- ✓ Vacating an altitude
- ✓ Reaching/leaving holding fix
- ✓ VFR-on-top altitude change
- ✓ Missed approach
- ✓ TAS change 10 kts or 5%
- ✓ Unable to maintain 500 fpm
- ✓ Safety of flight info
- ✓ Unforecast weather
- ✓ Equipment malfunctions

Nonradar

- ✓ Leaving FAF or OM inbound
- ✓ Revised ETA > 3 minutes
- ✓ Position reports at compulsory reporting points

Lost Comm:

Transponder: 7600

Route: Cleared, then Expected, then Filed

Altitude: Highest of assigned, minimum or expected

Leave clearance limit: At EFC, or absent that, to arrive at ETA

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