

Part Time Course Guide

Expand your horizons with SFC's part time pilot training courses. With flexible learning to suit your lifestyle, obtain your licence at a pace that works best for you.

RECREATIONAL PILOT LICENCE	RPL
PRIVATE PILOT LICENCE	PPL
PRIVATE INSTRUMENT RATING +	PIFR+
COMMERCIAL PILOT LICENCE	CPL



PATHWAY 1

COMING SOON

First Solo Package

Take off on your aviation journey with SFC's essential starting point and achieve your first solo flight.

- 13 hours of flying**

Recreational Pilot Licence (RPL) VFR

\$24K in Piper Archer TX*

The first licence you can obtain as a pilot enabling you to take flight solo or with friends and family within the local area.

FLYING	SIMULATOR
36 hrs	1 hr
THEORY	HOW LONG?
13.5 hrs	3 Months**

Private Pilot Licence (PPL) VFR

\$45K in Piper Archer TX* (includes RPL)

Experience the freedom of flying anywhere in Australia for leisure or business with up to five passengers on board.

FLYING	SIMULATOR
66 hrs	1 hr
THEORY	HOW LONG?
21 hrs	6 Months**

PATHWAY 2

COMING SOON

First Solo Package

Take off on your aviation journey with SFC's essential starting point and achieve your first solo flight.

- 13 hours of flying**

Private Instrument Rating + (PIFR+) VFR IFR

\$61K in Piper Archer TX* (includes RPL + PPL)

Private flying enhanced. Experience the freedom of flying anywhere in Australia for leisure or business with up to five passengers on board.

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Navigate and fly an aircraft safely in instrument conditions, such as reduced visibility.

Includes:

- Departure endorsement
- Enroute endorsement
- Arrival endorsement

FLYING	SIMULATOR
83 hrs	10 hrs
THEORY	HOW LONG?
90 hrs	9 Months**

PATHWAY 3

COMING SOON

First Solo Package

Take off on your aviation journey with SFC's essential starting point and achieve your first solo flight.

- 13 hours of flying**

Commercial Pilot Licence (CPL) VFR

\$130k in Piper Archer TX* (includes RPL + PPL)

The Commercial Pilot Licence (CPL) is the minimum qualification you require to earn an income as a pilot.

The commercial pilot stage of your flight training will broaden your understanding of how to handle an aircraft in a safe and efficient manner. Progress to fly the charter ready Cessna 182T Skylane where you will also attain the Manual Propeller Pitch Control (MPPC) endorsement.

FLYING	SIMULATOR
200 hrs	3 hrs
THEORY	HOW LONG?
462 hrs	24 Months**



COURSE COMPARISON	RPL	PPL	PIFR	CPL
VFR VISUAL FLIGHT RULES	✓	✓	✓	✓
IFR INSTRUMENT FLIGHT RULES	✗	✗	✓	✗
① PILOT SINGLE ENGINE AIRCRAFT	✓	✓	✓	✓
② PILOT MULTI ENGINE AIRCRAFT	✗	✗	✗	✗
📍 FLY IN YOUR LOCAL AREA	✓	✓	✓	✓
🇦🇺 FLY ACROSS AUSTRALIA	✗	✓	✓	✓
🌐 FLY OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA (INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED LICENCE)	✗	✓	✓	✓
☀️ FLY DURING THE DAY	✓	✓	✓	✓
☁️ FLY IN REDUCED VISIBILITY	✗	✗	✓	✗
🌙 FLY AT NIGHT	✗	✗	✗	✗
💰 PAID FLYING WORK	✗	✗	✗	✓

AGEREQUIREMENTS

Training
1st Solo - 15 years old

Licences | Age requirement at time of flight test
 Recreational Pilot Licence (RPL) - 16 years old
 Private Pilot Licence (PPL) - 17 years old
 Commercial Pilot Licence (CPL) - 18 years old

INCLUSIONS

- Flying
- Fuel
- Landing Fees
- Briefings
- Primary Instructor
- SFC Facilities
- Member Benefits

AIRCRAFT



*Estimated pay as you go price in the Archer TX if the syllabus is completed without any repeats.

**Based on 2 lessons per week. This self-paced course can be fast-tracked by increasing your weekly lessons.

Why SFC?

As one of the largest flying organisations in Australia, we've been making dreams come true since 1969. With a passion for aviation, unparalleled experience, and top-notch training, we've helped 50+ years of graduates take to the skies and achieve their goals. SFC is the perfect place to fuel your passion and take flight.



A FLYING CLUB

For more than half a century, SFC has been a cornerstone of the aviation community, providing exceptional opportunities for our members. With exclusive member benefits, club flyaways and access to a variety of aircraft, SFC fosters a community of like-minded individuals who share a passion for flying.



OUR AMBASSADOR | ENDORSED BY THE BEST

Matt Hall, reigning Red Bull Air Race world champion and former Royal Australian Air Force top gun fighter pilot, champions SFC as the flight college of choice to train the next generation of pilots.



The mission of SFC's 25by25 initiative is to achieve 25% female representation at SFC by 2025. We are dedicated to creating a space where women can pursue their passions and reach their fullest potential in the industry.

Ready to open up
new possibilities?
Enquire now.

Scan the QR code or call us
on 02 9709 8488 for more info.



HIGHEST ACCREDITATION

Accredited with the Australian Skills Quality Authority & CASA 142 approved allowing us to conduct both integrated and non-integrated flight training.



50+ YEARS

We've been training pilots for over 50 years; it'd be fair to say we're pretty damn good at it!



NOT FOR PROFIT

We created SFC to grow the aviation industry through the joy of flight. We invest back into our students, facilities and fleet to ensure the best learning experience.



100% SAFETY RECORD

In our 50+ years in business, we have maintained an unblemished safety record.



EXPERT TEAM

Our instructors deliver excellent and results-driven training to help you gain the knowledge you need.



DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE

Everyone is welcome at SFC, anyone who shares a passion for flying – you're our people.



MODERN FACILITIES

We are proud to have modern and high-quality facilities for our combined college and clubhouse in NSW, ensuring we meet the needs of students, staff and members.



ADVANCED FLEET

We house the next generation of aircraft. You can train in our new Archer® TX, Cessna 182T and DA42; the perfect combination of durability, reliability, comfort and technology.