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FAA Medical Certificate

REQUIRED for Power Students –

NOT REQUIRED FOR GLIDER STUDENTS

You will need to obtain and hold an FAA Medical Certificate prior to flying a powered aircraft solo. The process for getting a medical certificate is relatively simple: Check *out the* short instructional video at: https://www.faa.gov/tv/?mediaId=554 then follow these instructions extracted from the FAA website:

The Federal Aviation Administration's MedXPress system allows anyone requiring an FAA Medical Certificate to electronically complete their medical application (FAA Form 8500-8). When you provide your confirmation number to the doctor's office, Information entered into MedXPress will be available to your aviation medical examiner (AME) to review prior to and at the time of your medical examination.

HOW TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT

1. MedXPress is located at: https://medxpress.faa.gov/
2. First-time users should click on request account and complete the online form.
3. You will be asked to supply your name and e-mail address; your e-mail address will be used as your account name when logging into FAA MedXPress.
4. Next, you'll be prompted to answer three simple security questions that will be used to verify your identity if you forget your password or need help with your account.
5. After submitting your form, your initial password and instructions for completing the account request process will be sent to the e-mail address you provided.
   a. **IMPORTANT**: Never use someone else's MedXPress account to enter your information. Each applicant must create his or her own account. Only one applicant per e-mail address is allowed.
   b. **IMPORTANT**: Once you submit your application, you can no longer modify the application.

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HOW TO LOG IN

1. Once you receive e-mail confirmation that your account has been created, you can return to the FAA MedXPress login page and access the secure site using your e-mail address and the temporary password supplied in the confirmation e-mail.

2. Enter a permanent password and save that password in a secure place – do not depend on your memory.

APPLICATION FORM

1. Upon signing in to MedXPress, you'll see the medical application form.

2. Complete the form

3. When you have finished, enter your password where it indicates" I'm done. Send my application to the FAA".

4. Click "submit"

5. MedXPress will assign your application a confirmation number when it has been successfully submitted.

6. TIP: If you need to find information about the date of previous exams, medications used, or other such information before completing the MedXPress application, you can save what you have entered thus far and return later to complete any missing data. ***Click the save now button on the bottom of the page and log off***. When you log back on, the entries you have made will still be there.

7. **NOTE:** *It is recommended that you apply for a 3rd Class medical. There are three classes of medical, 3rd, 2nd and 1st. The third class medical is less expensive and will meet your needs until you are ready to qualify for a Commercial Pilot's License.*

CONFIRMATION NUMBER

A confirmation number is provided for you upon successful submission of your medical application; this number is also e-mailed to you to confirm your application. When you make an appointment with your aviation medical examiner, you may be asked for this number so your AME can review your medical information prior to your physical.

Take your confirmation number with you when you arrive for your exam because your AME will NOT be able to access your exam without it. We strongly recommend that you view and print a copy of the completed form before logging off. Keep that copy in your personal FAA Medical File.

MAKE YOUR MOVE

After submitting the electronic application form, you have 60 days in which to schedule and take a physical examination with your AME. After 60 days, the application is deleted.

PERMANENT RECORD

When your AME imports your application using your confirmation number and saves it in the FAA's medical certification system, the application is considered a permanent record.

HELP

If you have technical questions at any point in the application process, you can call this toll-free MedXPress support number: (877) 287-6731 (available 24/7), or you can e-mail the support desk: 9-natl-avs-it-servicedesk@faa.gov

REVIEW

    1. Connect to MedXPress at https://medxpress.faa.gov
    2. Create an account or login using your existing account
    3. Enter medical application data
    4. Submit application
    5. Print summary sheet
    6. Give summary sheet with confirmation number to your AME

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FAA Medical Certificates are issued by an FAA Designated Aviation Medical Examiner (AME). AME's are physicians with a special interest in aviation safety and have training in aviation medicine.

Some conditions that can be disqualifying or could slow your medical approval include but are not limited to:

• Diabetes	• Epilepsy
• Heart Disease	• Uncorrectable Vision
• Nervous Disorders	• Certain Levels of Hearing Loss
• History of Kidney Stones	• History of Alcohol or Drug Dependence
• Emotional or Mental Disorders	• Sleep Apnea
• Certain prescribed medications	• Any condition that could impair your ability to operate an aircraft safely

If you would like further information on potentially disqualifying conditions or medications, the standards for medical certification are contained in Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 67. If 14 CFR Part 67 indicates that a condition will not allow you to obtain a medical certificate, all

hope is not lost. There may be an option to obtain a special issuance medical certificate or obtain a medical with certain operating limitations. If you are in good health and ready to obtain your FAA Medical Certificate, find an AME, schedule an appointment, and fill out your application in MedXPress before going to see the doctor. Be truthful on this application, especially in the area of alcohol related driving offenses. The FAA can and will check your answers against the National Driver Register database. Falsification of facts can lead to fines and revocation of certificates.

You can find an AME using the FAA's database found at http://www.faa.gov/pilots/amelocator/. ***Even better, ask a pilot in your CAP Squadron for a recommendation.***

This is the beginning of an exciting and possibly a lifelong quest. Pay attention to detail and we look forward to seeing you at Desert Eagle.

LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN!