

## Recreational Pilot

A Recreational Pilot Licence (RPL) is the first stepping stone to becoming a fully qualified pilot.

During your training you will learn the fundamentals of controlling and aircraft during normal and abnormal situations, aircraft performance and loading, workload management and task delegation.

You have the option of completing your training in.

- Piper Warrior II
- Piper Archer II
- Cessna 172M
- Cirrus SR20

You train at your own pace and pay-as-you-fly. There is no full-time commitment with rigid deadlines to meet, although we do recommend consistency so you don't have to repeat lessons unnecessarily.

## What can you do with an RPL

The Recreational Pilot Licence (RPL), as the name implies, is purely for recreational use.

You will fly single engine, general aviation aircraft, with a maximum take-off weight of up to 1500kg.

Holding an RPL allows pilots to fly with family and friends without the supervision of a qualified flight instructor

The flight training is competency based, an average pilot takes anywhere from 30-40

hours to complete their RPL.

All flying will be undertaken with an experienced Grade I or II flight Instructor using a modern Piper Warrior II, Piper Archer II, Cessna 172M or one of our Cirrus SR20 aircraft.

Unlike other schools, Bankstown Flying School offers free pre-flight briefings during the RPL phase of your training.

## What are the Licence Requirements

You must:

- Have a CASA Aviation Reference Number (ARN)
- Have a Aviation Security ID Card (ASIC)
- Complete a general English Language Assessment
- Hold a Class 1 or Class 2 Aviation Medical certificate
- Have reached the age of **16 years old**
- Passed the RPLA Theory Exam
- Completed at least 20 hours dual flight
- Completed at least 5 hours solo flight
- Passed the RPLA flight test

Bankstown Flying School recommends completing a Trial Instructional Flight as your first lesson. While at the school you can check our facilities, aircraft and Instructors determine if you are suited to training in a small aircraft. The trial instructional flight is offered at a discounted rate.

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