



Commercial Pilot Program – Cessna 172S (G1000)

A Commercial Pilot License (CPL) permits the holder to be compensated for flying, meaning that the pilot will now be rated to fly for hire. This license opens the door for a career in aviation as a professional pilot.

To be eligible for a Commercial Pilot License, applicants must hold at least a private pilot license (PPL), but an instrument rating (IR) is advised. A second-class medical certificate is required to use commercial privileges. A minimum of 250 hours of flight time is required, including 100 hours of pilot-in-command time and 50 hours of cross-country flight. In addition, you will need at least 10 hours of instrument training and 10 hours in a complex aircraft.

	Description	Number	Units	Rate	Costs
Flight Instructor Costs:					
	Ground Instruction	15	Instruction Hrs	\$79.00	\$1,185.00
	Flight Instruction	15	Instruction Hrs	\$79.00	\$1,185.00
	Checkride Prep/Endorsement	3	Instruction Hrs	\$79.00	\$237.00
	Total Flight Instruction Costs:	33	Instruction Hrs		\$2,604.00
Aircraft Rental Costs:					
	Aircraft Rental Costs – Cessna 172S	15	Flight Hrs	\$159.00	\$2,385.00
	Checkride Aircraft Rental Costs	2	Flight Hrs	\$159.00	\$318.00
	Fuel (assumes average 7 GPH)	119	Gallons	\$8.60	\$1,023.40
	Total Aircraft Rental Costs:	17 Flight Hrs & 119 Gallons			\$3,726.40

Summary:

	Instructor	Airplane	Total
Commercial Certificate	\$2,604.00	\$3,726.40	\$6,330.40

This cost estimate assumes the minimum flight hours required by FAA Regulation. It should be noted that it is not common to complete your training within these times.