



Based on Evektor Sportstar Max Light Sport Aircraft

Lower cost estimate below based on block rates of \$130/hr vs pay as you go of \$145/hr

For Private Pilot License (PPL)- Description based on 40 hrs of training

Instructor Pilot (IP) costs	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes	
Online instruction	1	1 online class		300	300	Student led. Ideally complete before first 3-5 flights . Use Sporty's, King, or other online class at student discretion
Ground instruction	10	CFI hours	55	550		Varies depending on student.
Flight Instruction	30	CFI hours	55	1650		Minimum required (30 hrs with CFI). National averages at 50 hrs
Checkride Prep/Endorsement	3	CFI hours	55	165		
Subtotal	44			2665		
<b>Aircraft Rental Costs</b>						
Aircraft rental costs	40	Flight hrs	130	5200		Flat rate includes fuel. 30 hrs with CFI and 10 hrs solo. Assumes block rates of \$125/hr
Checkride rental costs	2	Flight hrs	130	260		
	42			5460		
				<b>Total</b>	<b>8125</b>	This is based on bare minimum of 40 hrs. Most people take 60 to 80 hrs to achieve PPL. See below
				<b>Realistic total</b>	<b>11725</b>	using 60hrs as avg, and block rate of 125 + 55 for CFI

For Light Sport Pilot License(SPL)- Description based on min 20 hrs of flight training

Instructor Pilot (IP) costs	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes	
Online instruction	1	1	300	300	Student led. Ideally complete before first 3-5 flights . Use Sporty's, King, or other online class at student discretion	
Ground instruction	5	CFI hours	55	275	Varies depending on student.	
Flight Instruction	15	CFI hours	55	825	Minimum required 15 hrs with CFI	
Checkride Prep/Endorsement	3	CFI hours	55	165		
Subtotal	24			1565		
<b>Aircraft Rental Costs</b>						
Aircraft rental costs	20	Flight hrs	130	2600		Flat rate includes fuel. 15 with CFI and 5 solo. Assumes block rates of \$125/hr
Checkride rental costs	2	Flight hrs	130	260		
	22			2860		
				<b>Total</b>	<b>4425</b>	This is based on bare minimum of 20 hrs. Most people take 30 to 50 hrs to achieve SPL
				<b>Realistic total</b>	<b>8025</b>	using 40hrs as avg, and block rate of 125 + 55 for CFI

IFR certificate	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Required 50 hrs as PIC	50	hrs	130	6500	Varies and depends on student. Some already covered in PPL process, so it may require only a small portion.IFR aircraft rate
test fees	1	1	1000	1000	
Ground/online	10	hrs	65	650	
Buffer	1		1000	1000	
				<b>9150</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

Time build to reach 250 hrs min for Commercial	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Required 50 hrs as PIC	100	hrs	130	13000	Varies and depends on student. Some already covered in PPL process, so it may require only a small portion
Buffer	1		1000	1000	
				<b>14000</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

Commercial	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Required maneuver hrs	20	hrs	130	2600	Varies and depends on student. Some already covered in PPL process, so it may require only a small portion
test fees	1	1	1000	1000	
Ground/online	10	hrs	65	650	
Buffer	1		2000	2000	
				<b>6250</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

CFI	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Practice hrs	10	hrs	130	1300	Varies and depends on student. Some already covered in PPL process, so it may require only a small portion
test fees	1	1	1000	1000	
Ground/online	10	hrs	65	650	
Buffer	1		2000	2000	
				<b>4950</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

CFII	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Practice hrs	10	hrs	130	1300	Varies and depends on student. Some already covered in PPL process, so it may require only a small portion
test fees	1	1	1000	1000	
Ground/online	10	hrs	65	650	
Buffer	1		2000	2000	
				<b>4950</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

Total 0 to CFI/II				Rounded up	
<b>Incidentals</b>					
Headset, Ipad, kneepad, and other hardware	around 2-3K			PPL	12000
DPE checkride fee (avg)	800-1000			IFR	9200
written test	175			CPL	6300
medical certificate (for PPL-not LSA)	200			Time Build	14000
Student renter's insurance	80-200/yr			CFI/II	10000
Rounded up	4400			Incidentals	4400
				<b>55425</b>	<b>55900</b>

Other ratings/endorsements not covered by AtheneAir: CMEL (commercial multi), high power, complex aircraft endorsements. Each has costs that vary from school to school, and type of aircraft, and may not be needed depending on your aviation goals