



Based on Evektor Sportstar Max Light Sport Aircraft. Newer Harmony rates will add approximately 12%

Lower cost estimate below based on block rates of \$140/hr vs pay as you go of \$155/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	140	5600	Flat rate includes fuel. 30 hrs with CFI and 10 hrs solo. Assumes block rates of \$140/hr
Checkride rental costs	2	Flight hrs	140	280	
	42			5880	
				<b>Total</b>	<b>8545</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>12445</b> using 60hrs as avg, and block rate of 140 + 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	140	2800	Flat rate includes fuel. 15 with CFI and 5 solo. Assumes block rates of \$140/hr
Checkride rental costs	2	Flight hrs	140	280	
	22			3080	
				<b>Total</b>	<b>4645</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>8545</b> using 40hrs as avg, and block rate of 140 + 55 for CFI

IFR certificate	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Required 50 hrs as PIC	50	hrs	140	7000	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>9650</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	140	14000	Varies and depends on student. Some already covered in PPL process, so it may require only a small portion
Buffer	1		1000	1000	
				<b>15000</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

Commercial	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Required maneuver hrs	20	hrs	140	2800	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>6450</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

CFI	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Practice hrs	10	hrs	140	1400	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>5050</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

CFII	Number	Units	Rate	Costs	Notes
Practice hrs	10	hrs	140	1400	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>5050</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>

Total 0 to CFI/II

Rounded up

Incidentals				PPL	12445	12000
Headset, Ipad, kneepad, and other hardware	around 2-3K			IFR	9650	9200
DPE checkride fee (avg)	800-1000			CPL	6450	6300
written test	175			Time Build	15000	14000
medical certificate (for PPL-not LSA)	200			CFI/II	10,100	10000
Student renter's insurance	80-200/yr			Incidentals	4400	4400
Rounded up	4400				<b>58045</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