Instrument Rating Airplane Ground Training Rev. 07/93 Copyright 1989, 1993 Thomas W. Gorski Instrument Rating Ground School Schedule

Class 3 Nights Per wee	ek, 3 hours per class	Monday, Tuesday & Weekday Nights 6:00pm - 9:00pm
Total Class Time -	48 Hours	Tuition - \$250.00 Plus books
<u>DATE</u> Monday	Class #1	SUBJECT Introduction & Overview of course Flight Instrument Systems
Tuesday	Class #2	Attitude Instrument Flying
		Instrument Navigation
Wednesday	Class #3	Federal Aviation Regulations Pertaining To IFR Operations
Monday	Class #4	ATC Systems & Clearances
		Airports, Airspace & Flight Info
Tuesday	Class #5	Instrument Navigation Instrument Approach Charts
Wednesday 18H	Class #6	Stage I Exam & Review
Monday	Class #7	ILS Approach Procedures
		VOR Approach Procedures
		NDB Approaches
Tuesday	Class #8	Departure Procedures
		Enroute Procedures

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<u>DATE</u> Wednesday	Class #9	SUBJECT Arrival Procedures & Approaches
Monday 30H	Class #10	STAGE II Exam & Review
Tuesday	Class #11	Weather Factors Weather Hazards
Wednesday	Class #12	Weather Reports & Forecasts Graphic Weather Products High Altitude Considerations
Monday	Class #13	STAGE III Exam & Review
Tuesday	Class #14	Review
Wednesday	Class #15	Final Stage Exam & Review
Monday 48H	Class #16	Review Of Least Understood areas
Tuesday	Class #17	FAA Written Test (Exam Fee)

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48 Hours

Stage I Lessons 1 - 6: 18 Hours Stage II Lessons 7 -10: 12 Hours Stage III Lessons 11-16: 18 Hours

PURPOSE: This curriculum provides a detailed summary of specific actions to be taken during periods of ground instruction. It's purpose is to prepare students for FAA written examinations. This instrument ground school will: prepare: 1- Student, private or commercial pilots for an FAA exam in conjunction with the instrument airplane rating; 2- Flight instructors who wish to study for an instrument instructor rating; and, 3- Aviators who wish to increase their knowledge of instrument flight. It is designed to ensure that the specific areas of knowledge contained in FAR 61.65 are learned.

OBJECTIVE: The student will obtain the necessary aeronautical knowledge and meet the prerequisites specified in Part 61 of FAR's for the instrument rating written test.

COMPLETION STANDARDS: You will demonstrate, through oral questioning and written tests that you meet the prerequisites specified in Part 61 of the FAR's, and have the knowledge necessary to pass the written test.

Recommended texts for use with this ground training syllabus are:

- a. The Pilot's Handbook Of Aeronautical Knowledge.
- b. AC 61-21A Flight Training Handbook
- c. FAA-T-8080-20 Instrument Rating Question Book
- d. AC 00-6A Aviation Weather, AC 00-45 Aviation Weather Services.
- e. IFR Exam-O-Grams
- f. Airman's Information Manual
- g. Federal Aviation Regulations

The contents of this checklist parallels the subject areas in the Instrument Rating Question Book, (FAA-T-8080-20

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STAGE ONE--LESSONS 1 - 6: 18 HOURS.

STAGE ONE OBJECTIVE: Students will learn about the principles of instrument flight, including the use and limitations of flight instruments and instrument navigation systems, ATC systems and clearances, airports, airspace, flight information and instrument approach charts. STAGE ONE COMPLETION STANDARDS: This stage will be successfully completed when the you pass the Stage I Written Exam with a minimum passing score of at least 75%, and has participated in the Stage I Written Exam review of incorrect responses before progressing.

Lesson #1. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: You will be introduced to this course of instruction, and to aircraft flight instruments and instrument systems. In addition, attitude instrument flying will be introduced.

CONTENTS:

Airspeed Definitions

Mach Number

Altitude Definitions, Altimeter Settings, Altimeter Errors

Vertical Speed Indicator

Instrument Errors

Magnetic Compass

Gyroscopic Flight Instruments and Systems

Attitude Indicator

Rate Of Turn Indicator

Turn Coordinator

Heading Indicator

Slaved Gyro

Gyroscopic Failures

Attitude Instrument Flying

Fundamental Skills

Unusual Attitude Recoveries

COMPLETION STANDARDS: You will have successfully completed this lesson when, by oral questioning, you display a working knowledge of the various aircraft flight instruments and instrument systems, and how they relate to aircraft performance.

Lesson #2. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be introduced to various instrument navigation systems, and their respective flight instruments. CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

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Equipment Requirements

Equipment Inspections

VOR-VHF Omni Range Facilities (Checkpoints, Errors, Identifiers, DME)

Vor Indicator (Sensitivity, Deflection Scale, Aircraft Displacement 200' per dot per NM)

Classes of Navaids

Airborne Omni Display

VOR Orientation, HSI Orientation

VOR Accuracy Checks

A/FD Notations

Station Passage

HSI/VOR Orientation VOR & LOC Course, Glide Slope Indications

Fixed Card ADF Indications (RB, MH, MB)

Movable Card ADF Indications (RB, MH, MB)

Radio Magnetic Indicator & Orientation

COMPLETION STANDARDS: You will have successfully completed this lesson when, by oral questioning, a working knowledge of instrument navigation systems and flight instruments is displayed.

Lesson #3. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be given instruction in the various instruments and systems pertaining to IFR flight, and be introduced to specific Federal Aviation Regulations that pertain to the IFR flight environment.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Instrument Landing System (ILS), Marker Beacons, Compass Locator, (LOM)

ILS Component Identifiers (VOR Identifiers)

DME Arcs

SDF, RNAV, LORAN (AFM Supplement)

Recent Flight Experience, Recent IFR Experience (FAR 61.57)

Pilot Logbooks (FAR 61.51)

ATC Clearance & Flight Plan (FAR 91.173)

Controlled Airspace (PCA, TCA 91.215, 91.131; ARSA Dimensions; CZ, TA, CA, ATA)

Uncontrolled Airspace

Special Use Airspace (Prohibited, Restricted, Warning, MOA, Alert)

Speed Limits

Oxygen

Spatial Disorientation

Collision Avoidance Scanning

Preflight (FAR 91.103)

NOTAMS

IFR Flight Plan (Type, Equipment, Departure Airport Code & SID, UTC A/FD Legend; Initial Altitude, Route, Destination, ETE, Remarks, Useable Fuel FAR 91.167; Alternate FAR 91.169)

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have successfully completed when you can discuss the elements of basic instrument navigation, and the various Federal Aviation Regulations pertaining to instrument flight situations.

Lesson #4. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be given instruction in the various ATC systems and ATC clearances for departure and enroute segments of the flight.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

IFR Clearance

Cruise Clearance

VFR-On-Top

SID

FPM Climbs

Departure Routes

RMI Orientation (2315, 2363)

Minimum IFR Altitudes (91.177)

IFR Climb and Descent (AIM 4-89)

Adherence To Clearance (FAR 91.123)

Communications Reports (91.183)

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when, by oral questioning, you have knowledge of ATC systems and ATC clearances and the Airspace, Airports and Flight Information concerning the National Airspace System.

Lesson #5. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be given continued instruction in knowledge of ATC systems, clearances and the Airspace, Airports and the National Airspace System. Additionally, instruction on the Instrument Navigation and Approach Procedures pertaining to the Arrival and Approach segments of the IFR flight will be introduced, and you will be introduced to the En-Route Low Altitude Charts.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Inoperative Components

VASI, PAPI

Runway Markings

Rotating Beacon

Wake Turbulence

Radar Service Advisories, Weather Advisories, Resume Own Navigation

Canceling IFR

En-Route Chart Symbols (A/FD Chart Selection, Loc, Loc/ATC Function, MEA MRA, MOCA, MCA, MAA, VHF Frequencies, COP's, Chart Position Orientation)

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when by oral questioning, you can discuss ATC systems and clearances, Airspace, Airports and the National Airspace System, Instrument Navigation and Approach Procedures, and the En-Route Low Altitude Charts.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will be given the Instrument Stage I Exam and review. The review portion of this lesson will enable you to determine the areas of knowledge that require additional study.

INSTRUCTIONS:

For each numbered item, select the corresponding question number from your written test book, and mark the correct answer choice on your answer sheet. (You may make marks or write on this page.)

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STAGE TWO--Lessons 7 - 10. 12 Hours.

STAGE TWO OBJECTIVE: To develop your knowledge of ILS, NDB, and VOR approach procedures, and of departure, enroute and arrival procedures.

STAGE TWO COMPLETION STANDARDS: This stage will be successfully completed when the you pass the Stage II Written Exam with a minimum passing score of at least 75%, and has participated in the Stage II Written Exam review of incorrect responses before progressing.

Lesson #7. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be instructed in instrument clearances and ILS, VOR and NDB approach procedures.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Instrument Approach Terms and Abbreviations

Instrument Approach Procedure Charts

Radar Approaches

Missed Approach

Runway Visual Range Definition 2401

RVR Comparable Values

Inoperative Components

ILS Approach Plates

VOR Approach Plates

NDB Approach Plates

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when through oral questioning, you can demonstrate a working knowledge and understanding of instrument clearances and ILS, VOR and NDB approach procedures.

Lesson #8. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be instructed in enroute and holding procedures, holding pattern entries and procedures for timed approaches.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Visual and Contact Approaches

Reporting Speed Variations

Holding Clearance

Holding Procedures

Timed Approached From A Holding Fix 2628

ATC Communications During Arrival

Communications Failure

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when, through oral questioning, you can demonstrate a working knowledge of enroute and holding procedures, holding pattern entries and procedures for timed approaches.

Lesson #9. 3 Hours

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be instructed in the planning and computations of groundspeeds, distances and elapsed times, particular routes of flight. CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Courses and Headings Computations

Wind Correction Angle and Groundspeed

Quantities of Time, Speed and Distance

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when, through oral questioning, you can demonstrate a working knowledge of planning and computations of groundspeeds, distances and elapsed times, particular routes of flight.

Lesson #10. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will be given the Instrument Stage II Written Exam and review. The review portion of this lesson will enable you to determine the areas of knowledge that require additional study.

INSTRUCTIONS:

For each numbered item, select the corresponding question number from your written test book, and mark the correct answer choice on your answer sheet. (You may make marks or write on this page.) 72

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STAGE THREE--Lessons 11 - 16. 18 Hours.

STAGE THREE OBJECTIVE: To develop your knowledge of Weather Factors, Weather Theory, IFR Flight Planning and Emergency Procedures.

STAGE THREE COMPLETION STANDARD: This stage will be successfully completed when the student passes the stage three written exam with a score of at least 75%

Lesson #11. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be instructed in Weather Factors and weather theory pertaining to IFR Flight.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Basic Atmospheric Circulation

The Heating of the Earth

The Rotation of the Earth

Circulation and Wind

Jet Stream

Temperature

Moisture

Air Masses and Fronts

Stability of the Atmosphere

Clouds

Cloud Families

Flying Hazards Associated with Turbulence

Turbulence Reporting Criteria

Thunderstorms

Wind Shear

Loss Of Tailwind, Loss Of Headwind

Icing

Fog

Frost

Microburst

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been completed when, through oral questioning, you demonstrate a working knowledge of Weather Theory and it's practical application to IFR flight in an airplane.

Lesson #12. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lesson as necessary, and be instructed in Weather Reports, Forecasts and other weather data pertinent to IFR flight.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Surface Aviation Weather Report (SA, RS, SP)

Pilot Weather Reports (Pireps)

Terminal Forecasts (FT)

Area Forecasts (FA)

Wind and Temperatures Aloft Forecasts (FD)

Convective Outlook (AC)

Surface Analysis Chart

Weather Depiction Chart

Radar Summary Chart

Constant Pressure Charts

Observed Wind Aloft Chart

Tropopause Data Chart

Tropopause Height/Vertical Wind Shear Prognostic Chart

Low-Level Significant Weather Prognostic Chart

High-Level Significant Weather Prognostic Chart

Severe Weather Outlook Chart

In-Flight Weather Advisories (WA, WS, WST)

Transcribed Weather Broadcast (TWEB)

En Route Flight Advisory Service (EFAS)

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when, through oral questioning, you display a working knowledge of Weather Reports, Forecasts and other Weather Information Pertaining to Aircraft Flight in IFR weather conditions.

Lesson #13. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will be given the Instrument Stage III Written Exam and review. The review portion of this lesson will enable you to determine the areas of knowledge that require additional study in preparation for the FAA Written Exam.

For each numbered item, select the corresponding question number from your written test book, and mark the correct answer choice on your answer sheet.

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Lesson #14. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lessons as necessary, and be instructed in areas of knowledge which you need.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Review of all previous lessons.

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when, through oral questioning, you display a working knowledge of those areas which were not clear from the beginning.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will be given the Final Instrument Stage Exam and review. The review portion of this lesson will enable you to determine the areas of knowledge that require additional study in preparation for the FAA Written Exam.

For each numbered item, select the corresponding question number from your written test book, and mark the correct answer choice on your answer sheet.

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Lesson #16. 3 Hours.

OBJECTIVE: During this lesson, you will review the previous lessons as necessary, and be instructed in areas of knowledge which you need.

CONTENTS:

Review Previous Subjects as Necessary

Review of Least Understood Areas

COMPLETION STANDARDS: This lesson will have been successfully completed when, through oral questioning, you display a working knowledge of those areas which were not clear from the beginning.