

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Authorized Flight Instructor Refresher Course (FIRC) Provider List

The FAA’s General Aviation and Commercial Division is responsible for policy development governing the FIRC program. The Division also evaluates submissions from, and issues approvals to qualified, candidates requesting authorization to become a FIRC provider. Additionally, appropriate FAA Flight Standards District Offices (FSDO) review and approve requests from provisional pilot schools and pilot schools that seek to include or add a FIRC curriculum under its Air Agency certificate. The current iteration of FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 61-83 provides guidance and recommendations for the preparation and approval of training course outlines (TCO) for FAA-approved, industry-conducted, FIRCs in accordance with Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) § 61.197(a)(2)(iii). When the FAA receives an authorization request, the General Aviation and Commercial Division, or the appropriate FSDO of a provisional pilot school or pilot school holding an Air Agency certificate under 14 CFR part 141, as applicable, conducts a thorough review of the applicant’s TCO. Candidates hold full responsibility for the development of its TCO and subsequent FIRC program presentations’ compliance to the conditions of its authorization. The FAA issues an approval in the form of a Letter of Authorization (LOA), unless authorized as an approved curriculum under a part 141 Air Agency certificate. FIRC LOAs are valid for 24 calendar months.

The FAA requires FIRC providers to have a copy of its LOA and TCO available, upon request, to attendees and observing FAA Aviation Safety Inspectors (ASI) to review prior to the start of any FIRC. The FAA provides guidance for ASI oversight in FAA Order 8900.1, Volume 6, Chapter 11, Section 8, *Inspect a Flight Instructor Refresher Course*. The following table provides a list of current FAA authorized FIRC providers.

	FIRC Provider	Type of FIRC Offered (Venue)	Aircraft Category Focus	Authorization Expiration	Provider’s Mailing Address	Provider’s Phone Number & Website
1.	AceCFI	Internet/Web Based	Airplane	September 30, 2021	1300 FM 2673, Suite 2742, Canyon Lake, TX 78133	(832)-786-9878 www.acecfi.com
2.	American Flyers, Inc.	- Internet/Web Based - Live Classroom	Airplane Airplane	April 30, 2022 May 31, 2021	4650 Airport Parkway, Addison, TX 75001	(800) 362-0808 https://americanflyers.com/
3.	AOPA Air Safety Institute	- Internet/Web Based - Live Classroom	Airplane Airplane	September 30, 2021 June 30, 2022	421 Aviation Way, Frederick, MD 21701	(800) 872-2672 www.aopa.org/
4.	Aviation Seminars	-Internet/Web Based -Live Classroom	Airplane Airplane	August 31, 2021 April 30, 2022	1934 N. Marshall Ave, Suite 102, El Cajon CA 92020	800-257-9444 www.aviationseminars.com
5.	Aviation Testing, Inc.	Live Classroom	Airplane	June 30, 2021	9914 E. HARRY, WICHITA, KS 67207	(316) 612-8255 No Website
6.	Gleim Internet, Inc.	Internet/Web Based	Airplane	July 31, 2021	P.O. Box 12848, Gainesville, FL 32604	(800) 874-5346 www.gleimaviation.com/
7.	Helicopter Institute Inc.	Live Classroom	Helicopter	July 31, 2021	12441 Dido Vista Court	(561)-386-6078

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					Fort Worth, Texas 76179	No website
8.	Heritage Flight Academy	Live Classroom	Airplane	February 28,2022	Long Island MacArthur Airport (KISP) 2075 Smithtown Avenue Ronkonkoma, New York 117792075	(800) 786-9060 http://heritageflightacademy.com/
9.	King Schools	Internet/Web Based	Airplane Helicopter	April 30, 2022 April 30, 2022	3840 Calle Fortunada, San Diego, CA 92123	(800) 854-1001 www.kingschools.com
10.	Master Instructors, LLC	Master Instructor Continuing Education Program (MICEP) Alternative FIRC	Airplane	August 31, 2020	1803 Signature Court Longmont, CO 80504-2644	(303) 485-8136 http://www.masterinstructors.org/
11.	Robinson Helicopter Company	Live Classroom	Helicopter	September 31, 2021	Robinson Helicopter Company Safety Course Classroom 2901 Airport Drive Torrance, CA 90505	(310) 539-0508 https://robinsonheli.com/robinson-courses/robinson-pilots-safety-course/
12.	Soaring Safety Foundation	Live Classroom	Glider	April 30, 2022	P.O. Box 2100 Hobbs, NM 88241	(630) 251-4572 https://www.soaringsafety.org/
13.	Sporty's Pilot Shop	Internet/Web Based	Airplane	May 31, 2021	2001 Sporty's Drive Clermont County/Sporty's Airport Batavia, Ohio 45103	(513) 735.9000 - Homepage: https://www.sportys.com/ - eFIRC page: https://www.sportys.com/pilotshop/sporty-s-efirc-flight-instructor-refresher-online-course.html