

Flight Aircrew Qualifications

AeroStar operators include an External Pilot (EP), Internal Pilot (IP), Payload Operator (PO), Mission Commander (MC) and Ground Crew (GC). Each of these operators is certified through NAVAIR via Air Test and Evaluation Squadron TWO ONE (HX – 21). Prior to certification, each operator undergoes an extensive training period for each area of expertise. Training syllabuses have been developed for the critical operators (EP, IP and MC) and include classroom and operational exercises. Once certified, each critical operator has currency requirements that must be maintained in order to conduct flight test. In addition, each operator receives annual Operational Risk Management (ORM) training and Crew Resource Management (CRM) training.