

Powered Parachute Instruction

Terms and Conditions

As a condition of receiving instruction in a powered parachute from the INSTRUCTOR John Gobel, the STUDENT _____ agrees to the following terms and conditions.

The INSTRUCTOR will:

1. Make clear that the objective of the instruction is to prepare the student for a **safe first solo flight** in a powered parachute. The training is NOT intended to make the STUDENT an experienced and skilled powered parachute pilot, as that level of expertise requires much more extensive and intensive training than is provided here.
2. Verify that after the INSTRUCTOR certifies that the STUDENT is ready for the first solo flight, the STUDENT will **provide his/her own aircraft** for such solo flight.
3. Conduct in-flight instruction in a **dual controlled** powered parachute.
4. Provide **instruction** to the first solo, which will consist of the following 5 general steps:
 - a. **Introductory & orientation ride** (STUDENT in back seat) – general set-up, principles of PPCs, take-off, landing techniques, etc. are explained before during, and after the flight.
 - b. **Ground work** – STUDENT will taxi the PPC, and receive detailed instruction on steps of a complete flight, on the first solo, on principles of flight, on PPC techniques, etc.
 - c. **Throttle control** – STUDENT will be in the rear seat, and will be making touch and go landings from the back seat, learning throttle control.
 - d. **Steering control** – STUDENT will be in the front seat, INSTRUCTOR in the back seat. STUDENT will have full control of the PPC, making numerous touch and go landings.
 - e. **Supervised solo** – in his/her own PPC, the STUDENT will perform the first solo flight. The INSTRUCTOR will be in radio contact with the STUDENT, talking him/her through the process.
5. Make clear that for a successful sign-off, **all five of the above steps must be completed**. If the INSTRUCTOR deems that the STUDENT is not ready for supervised solo, additional work may be required.

The following step is optional:

6. *Provide the training mandated by the new FAA **Sport Pilot** rating system, which consists of minimum of 12 hours training. Of the 12 hours, 10 must be dual instruction, and the remaining will be supervised solo.*
 - a. *Dual instruction will be conducted according to the requirements set forth by the FAA for Practical Test Standards, and will include general aviation knowledge, specific aircraft knowledge, and in-flight instruction with the instructor on-board.*
 - b. *Supervised solo will consist of the STUDENT performing flight maneuvers under the radio command of the INSTRUCTOR, or the STUDENT practicing maneuvers on his/her own that have been designated and described by the INSTRUCTOR.*
 - c. *All of the above activities will be logged into the STUDENT's log book, and will be verified by the INSTRUCTOR.*
 - d. *AT the end of the 12 hours of prescribed instruction, the STUDENT may be certified as "ready for flight check," which must be conducted by an FAA designated SPE (Sport Pilot Examiner – PPCL). The decision whether the STUDENT is ready for such check ride is solely up to the discretion of the INSTRUCTOR.*

The STUDENT will:

1. *Understand that flying is an **inherently dangerous activity** which may result in injury or death. While the INSTRUCTOR will teach all appropriate safety measures and techniques, he does not guarantee accident or incident free performance by the STUDENT.*
2. *During flight lessons, **follow the instructions** and directives of the INSTRUCTOR immediately and completely.*
3. *Agree to **NOT engage in flight activities** on his/her own that have not been specifically approved by the INSTRUCTOR, as any such flight activities may not be appropriate for the skill level of the STUDENT and may lead to serious injury or death.*
4. *Understand that violation of any of the provisions of this agreement may constitute **grounds for termination** of the instruction process and any monies paid will not be refunded. If in the judgment of the INSTRUCTOR, the STUDENT is not fit to continue flight training either emotionally, intellectually, or physically, instruction will be terminated and monies paid will be prorated and refunded.*

The following step is optional:

5. *Understand that before the SPE check ride can be administered, the student must pass an **FAA knowledge test** (given at most larger airports). The knowledge provided by the 12 hours of instruction is not adequate to fully prepare the STUDENT for this test, therefore he/she must study on his/her own. The INSTRUCTOR will provide information regarding study material for this test, as well as information regarding the actual taking of the test.*

COSTS:

1. *To prepare the STUDENT for a **safe first solo flight** (Steps 1 through 5 of the INSTRUCTOR agreements, and Steps 1 through 4 of the STUDENT agreements) – in other words prepare a STUDENT for a single seat aircraft, CFR 103 legal flying WITHOUT the intent of obtaining the FAA Sport Pilot license rating:
 - a. *Package cost of the 4 to 6 lessons necessary for a safe first solo flight is \$250, payable in advance. Each lesson will consist of approximately 30 minutes of dual instruction in the air, and approximately 30 minutes of related ground instruction. More than one lesson may be conducted in one session.*
 - b. *Weather permitting, sessions will be conducted at least once per week, and preferably 2 times per week so that minimal knowledge is lost between lessons.*
 - c. *If taken as individual lessons, costs are \$60 per lesson. The STUDENT may designate the specific goal of each lesson, if in the INSTRUCTOR's judgment he/she is ready for that specific objective. Each lesson will consist of approximately 30 minutes dual instruction in the air, and approximately 30 minutes of related ground instruction.**
2. *To prepare the STUDENT for the **FAA administered Sport Pilot check ride** (Steps 1 through 6 of the INSTRUCTOR agreements, and Steps 1 through 5 of the STUDENT agreements):
 - a. *Package cost of the approximately 12 hours of instruction is \$450, payable in advance.*
 - b. *Additional lessons requested by the STUDENT after the INSTRUCTOR certifies the STUDENT to be ready for FAA check ride will be charged at \$60 per hour.*
 - c. *Weather permitting, sessions will be conducted at least once per week, and preferably 2 times per week so that minimal knowledge is lost between lessons. Any session will not be longer than about 2 hours.**

AGREEMENT

The *INSTRUCTOR* and the *STUDENT* agree to all conditions and terms as specified above. The *STUDENT* chooses to participate in a series of lessons aimed at (initial one):

_____ Obtaining an FAA Sport Pilot license (12 hours minimum)

_____ Being prepared to engage in an initial solo flight (CFR14, Part 103 legal flying)

John A. Gobel

INSTRUCTOR Name (Printed)

STUDENT name (Printed)

Signature

Signature

Date

Date

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Instructor Certificate Number

FS-60-0062

Sport Pilot Examiner Designation Number