

Training Policy for Students

Purpose

This document establishes procedures that are to be followed by students training to achieve Pilot ratings in VATSIM Scandinavia.

Requirements

All students must be able to communicate in English, as English is the internationally accepted language of aviation.

A student may only hold one active training request at a time within the Pilot Training Department.

Training Progression

Requesting training

The student should request training from our training management system found on our websites.

Waiting for training

The student will now be placed in the training queue. The time spent in the queue will vary severely depending on flight instructor availability, training demand, season and other factors. Waiting times are often difficult to predict, and students are kindly asked not to repeatedly contact staff members asking for estimates. They are instead

encouraged to study procedures and in other ways do work that will later benefit their training process.

While waiting for an available flight instructor or assignment, the student will also receive a training monthly confirmation e-mail. To maintain the place in the queue, the student has to confirm their training interest within two weeks of receiving the e-mail. Failure to confirm will automatically close the training. It is the student's responsibility to check their inbox, spam folders etc. to make sure the confirmation is confirmed. It's also possible to log into the training portal and accept it from there.

Training assignment

Depending on training type, the student will be assigned a flight instructor or assignment for a training program. Upon assignment the student is required to establish contact with the flight instructor or other assigned means within 7 days or the training will be closed without any prior warning.

Practical training

Students are expected to study theory between sessions and always be prepared when showing up for training sessions. Flight instructor spend considerable amounts of their spare time teaching students, and an even balance between time spent in practical sessions and time spent on self-studies is expected by the student.

Responsibilities and Expectations

In summary, VATSIM Scandinavia expects the following from students enrolling in Pilot Training:

1. That the students are prepared to commit to training, self-study and availability.
2. That the students make initial contact with the assigned training program within 7 days of assignment.
3. That the students correspond regularly with their flight instructor or assigned staff.
4. That the students propose at least one date per two-week period when they are available to train. If availability permits, at least one session per week is a recommended average. If the students fail to propose a date over a two-week

period, the students will be marked as inactive and will result in an investigation for the students training eligibility.

5. That the students understand that the flight instructor commit their spare time to train others, and:
 - Show up well prepared to all sessions, with any questions either prepared or previously sent to the flight instructor.
 - Show up on time to all scheduled sessions.
 - Should any unforeseen problem arise, cancel training with as much notice as possible. Repeated late cancellations of training sessions will result in an investigation of the students training eligibility.
6. That the students notify their flight instructor if they are absent and are unable to train for more than a two-week period so that the training request can be paused. Pausing the training request is intended for shorter periods for i.e. holidays etc. Pausing the training for longer periods will lead to cancellation of the training request.
7. That the students understand and respect that if they do not adhere to the rules set by this regulation, their training request will be cancelled.
8. It is the students responsibility to provide dates of availability for an exam in due time to the Training Manager. The student must be prepared to find alternate date basis availability of examiners.

Sanctions

If the student does not fill the expectations and responsibilities, VATSIM Scandinavia may impose sanctions.

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