



EFI Rental Agreement

1. **Agreement & Applicability:** As a condition precedent to renting an aircraft owned or operated by Executive Flight Institute, LLC, Sowards Aircraft Leasing, LLC, or California Professional Flyers, Inc. (collectively, "EFI"), the undersigned ("Renter") agrees to comply with all current and future **EFI Policies & Procedures**, as amended from time to time. EFI policies may be more restrictive than applicable federal, state, or local laws or regulations, and such restrictions are binding. This Agreement applies to all rentals, including local, cross-country, and extended or overnight flights.
2. **Regulations:** Renter agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and FAA regulations.
3. **Certificates & Documents:** Renter must carry and present upon request a valid pilot certificate with appropriate category, class, and ratings, a current FAA medical certificate, a current government-issued photo ID, and all required endorsements and currency documentation.
4. **Preflight Responsibility:** Renter is solely responsible for completing a thorough preflight inspection using manufacturer publications and EFI-required documents. The aircraft shall not be operated unless Renter is satisfied it is airworthy and properly equipped.
5. **Schedule & Timely Return:** Aircraft must be returned **on time**, weather permitting, and in the same condition as received (normal wear excepted). Delays must be communicated immediately to EFI dispatch.
6. **Aircraft Discrepancies & Mechanical Issues:** All discrepancies or malfunctions must be reported **immediately** to EFI. The aircraft shall **not** be flown unless expressly authorized by EFI dispatch, maintenance, the Chief Flight Instructor, or EFI management. EFI retains **final authority** over whether an aircraft may continue flight, be repaired, or be recovered. If an aircraft becomes unsafe or unairworthy during a flight or while off-base, the Renter must immediately contact EFI for instructions. **No aircraft may be abandoned, left unattended, or moved** without authorization from EFI management, the Chief Flight Instructor, or ownership. (See EFI Policies & Procedures)
7. **Return, Securing & Fees:** Aircraft must be returned to its assigned parking space and properly secured (tie-downs, chocks, control lock, sunshade). Fuel sticks, strainers, and POHs **must remain in the aircraft**. EFI is not responsible for lost or stolen personal items.

Lost key: **\$75 fee**

Failure to turn off the master switch resulting in a drained battery: **\$100 fee**

Failure to properly secure or return aircraft to its designated location: **\$25 fee.**

Failure to reinstall sunshade: **\$25 fee**

8. **Sole Pilot:** Only the approved renter may operate or manipulate aircraft controls unless otherwise authorized by EFI.
9. **Prohibited Operations:** Aircraft may be used for **personal, non-commercial use only**. No instruction, hire, or commercial activity is permitted unless conducted through EFI.
10. **Currency & Qualifications:** Renter must meet FAA currency requirements (including FAR 61.57) as well as EFI-specific currency, insurance, and qualification requirements. Pilot qualifications, experience, and minimum hour requirements apply and will be evaluated on an **individual basis**. EFI reserves the right to deny rental at its sole discretion.
11. **Aircraft Checkout & Recurrent Training:** A checkout with an EFI staff instructor is required prior to rental. Recurrent training and proficiency checks may be required at EFI's discretion. Any pilot with whom rental time is shared must **individually complete a checkout**.
12. **Authorized Airports (Students Only):** Landings are permitted only at EFI-approved airports listed in the EFI Policies & Procedures manual.
13. **Weather Conditions:** Renter agrees to obtain appropriate weather briefings and forecasts prior to flight and to comply with all aircraft, FAA, and personal minimums. The flight shall not be commenced or continued if weather conditions are forecasted to be, or become, below applicable minimums.
14. **Weather Diversions:** The Pilot in Command retains responsibility for safe decision-making and execution of the diversion. EFI is not responsible for costs associated with weather-related diversions, including but not limited to fuel, lodging, meals, ground transportation, or personal travel expenses. Any aircraft repositioning, recovery, or continuation of flight following a weather diversion shall be coordinated with and approved by EFI dispatch, maintenance, the Chief Flight Instructor, or EFI management. If a weather diversion results in an overnight stay, EFI will not reimburse lodging or incidental expenses unless expressly authorized in advance by EFI management.
15. **Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking:** No operation within 12 hours of alcohol consumption or while impaired by any substance. Smoking is prohibited in or within 50 feet of EFI aircraft.
16. **Overwater Operations:** Overwater flights require appropriate survival equipment for all occupants.
17. **Altitude, Spins and Runway Limitations:** No operations below safe landing altitude except for the purpose of takeoff and landing. Spins are prohibited. Landings limited to public-use,

paved runways unless specifically approved.

- 18. Taxiing & Refueling:** Renter must remain at least 50 feet from any aircraft, structure or vehicle while operating the aircraft and follow EFI refueling procedures.
- 19. Fuel Requirements:** PIC must ensure sufficient fuel plus one hour of reserves. All fuel reimbursements will be charged at a fuel rate equal to the rate posted at The Jet Center at F70.
- 20. Incident & Emergency Reporting:** All accidents, incidents, emergencies, or precautionary landings must be reported immediately in accordance with EFI policy.
- 21. Liability Disclaimer:** EFI is not responsible for losses due to aircraft availability, delays, cancellations, or renter itinerary disruptions.
- 22. Complex Aircraft:** Touch and go landings in any complex aircraft are not allowed unless accompanied by a CFI.
- 23. Right Seat:** Right-seat operations require CFI accompaniment or Chief Flight Instructor approval.
- 24. Overnight flights:** Extended aircraft rentals (over 4 hours) will be charged a minimum flight time. Please refer to the "EFI Policies & Procedures" manual for current minimum rates. All flights longer than two days require EFI management approval.
- 25. Cancellations & No-Shows:** Cancellations or rescheduling requests made at least 24 hours before the scheduled start time will not be charged. Cancellations made with less than 24 hours notice and no-shows are subject to the following fees:

Instructional flights or ground lessons: One hour of instructional time.

Rental-only flights: \$75.

Each student or renter may receive **one courtesy waiver for illness during any rolling four-month period**, provided EFI is notified as soon as possible and at least one hour before the scheduled start time. Additional illness-related cancellations will be charged the standard fee unless an exception is approved by EFI management.

Weather cancellations must be approved by EFI or the assigned instructor. Fees may also be waived due to maintenance or other operational considerations at EFI management's discretion.

After three chargeable late cancellations or no-shows, students may be charged for the full instructional time reserved for subsequent cancellations.

26. Renters Insurance: Renters are required to obtain independent Renter's Insurance with a minimum hull liability coverage. Students are required to obtain this coverage prior to solo. Proof of coverage MUST be on file with EFI prior to solo flight. Please refer to the "EFI Policies & Procedures" manual for current insurance requirements.

EFI carries insurance to cover the event of an accident/incident resulting in damage or injury to persons or property on the ground or damage to the aircraft. However, Renters may be financially responsible for deductibles or subrogation if found at fault.

27. Payment: & Charges: Renter agrees to promptly reimburse EFI for all charges incurred during normal use of the aircraft. Flight time shall be recorded by Hobbs meter or tach time, as designated for each aircraft, rounded to the nearest tenth, from engine start to engine shutdown. Renter agrees to reimburse EFI for the value of any parts, accessories, instruments, or other items missing or damaged due to Renter misuse, or failure to properly secure or lock the aircraft.

28. Refund Policy: EFI's refund policy is set forth in the **EFI Policies and Procedures Manual** and is incorporated into this Agreement by reference. The Renter acknowledges having access to the policy and agrees to comply with its terms.

29. Amendments & Entire Agreement: This Agreement was amended on 8/13/26 and supersedes all prior agreements. EFI may amend this Agreement and associated policies at any time.