



Commercial - SEL - Rating Flight Requirements FAR 61.129

Aeronautical experience:

For an airplane single-engine rating commercial pilot certificate with an airplane category and single-engine class rating must log at least 250 hours of flight time as a pilot that consists of at least:

- ❑ 100 hours in powered aircraft, of which 50 hours must be in airplanes.
- ❑ 100 hours of pilot-in-command flight time, which includes at least
 - ❑ 50 hours in airplanes
 - ❑ 50 hours in cross-country flight of which at least 10 hours must be in airplanes.
- ❑ 20 hours of training on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(1) of this part that includes at least
 - ❑ 10 hours of instrument training of which at least 5 hours must be in a single-engine airplane;
 - ❑ 10 hours of training in an airplane that has a retractable landing gear, flaps, and a controllable pitch propeller, or is turbine-powered, or for an applicant seeking a single-engine seaplane rating, 10 hours of training in a seaplane that has flaps and a controllable pitch propeller;
 - ❑ One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a single-engine airplane in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure;
 - ❑ One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a single-engine airplane in night VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
 - ❑ 3 hours in a single-engine airplane in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.
- ❑ 10 hours of solo flight in a single-engine airplane on the areas of operation listed in \which includes at least
 - ❑ One cross-country flight of not less than 300 nautical miles total distance, with landings at a minimum of three points, one of which is a straight-line distance of at least 250 nautical miles from the original departure point. However, if this requirement is being met in Hawaii, the longest segment need only have a straight-line distance of at least 150 nautical miles; and
 - ❑ 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
