

Aircraft Pilot

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Employees in this role perform the duties of Pilot-in-Command or Second-in-Command on a variety of aircraft, in all-weather day and night operations using both IFR and VFR procedures. Employees may fly solo missions or provide executive-level air transportation for health care providers, administrators, the news media, or other passengers as needed. Most aircraft flown by employees in this role carry from zero to five passengers. Some employees will perform specialty missions, such as aerial survey or search missions. Work also involves the monitoring, coordination, and documentation of maintenance procedures. Employees are responsible for staying abreast of changing air safety regulations and procedures, as well as maintaining preparedness for abnormal or emergency situations. Other administrative duties related to organizational functions may be assigned. Employees must maintain licensure through required continuing education, flight simulation training, written exams, etc.

EXAMPLES OF COMPETENCIES: CONTRIBUTING

Professional Knowledge and Skill: Flies as a Second-in-Command or a trainee with more-experienced pilots. May fly as a solo pilot without passenger responsibility. Maintains currency with changing regulations and terminology.

Safety/Regulatory Requirements: Conducts safety inspections on assigned aircraft, often with oversight from a more-experienced pilot.

Communication/Public Contact: Provides back-up to Pilot-in-Command for safety orientations. Interacts with passengers, other aviation officials, etc., as appropriate.

Administrative Operations: Maintains maintenance and flight logs as required by regulations; work may be reviewed or approved by a higher-level pilot.

JOURNEY

Professional Knowledge and Skill: Competent to pilot aircraft type[s] as assigned, with or without passengers. Cleared to fly multiple mission types as needed, with or without passengers. Maintains currency with changing regulations and terminology.

Safety/Regulatory Requirements: Conducts full safety inspections on assigned aircraft.

Communication/Public Contact: Conducts thorough safety orientations for passengers, as required by regulation. Responds to questions regarding flight issues and technical aircraft matters from passengers, ground crews, controllers, other officials, etc.

Administrative Operations: Maintains maintenance and flight logs as required by regulations.

ADVANCED

Professional Knowledge and Skill: Competent to pilot a variety of aircraft types, with or without passengers, as well as to provide training to students or less-experienced pilots. Routinely assigned the most challenging conditions and mission types, with multiple complex factors. Routinely flies with passengers aboard. Maintains currency with changing regulations and terminology; may act as a resource to others on these matters.

Safety/Regulatory Requirements: Conducts safety inspections on multiple types of aircraft, recognizing potential hazards on the most sensitive/sophisticated equipment. Trains less-experienced pilots on inspection procedures and nuance; may oversee work of a Second-in-Command.

Communication/Public Contact: Has routine contact with high-level passengers and maintains discretion with regard to sensitive information. In addition to responding to technical questions, also acts as an ambassador for unit operations through a thorough familiarity with programmatic matters.

Administrative Operations: Maintains maintenance and flight logs as required by regulations. May oversee a collateral area important to organizational functions, e.g., scheduling, training, safety, etc.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

Graduation from high school and a minimum of 1000 hours of flight time in a closely related type of aircraft and/or type of mission, along with a minimum of two years of related experience; or an equivalent combination of training and directly related experience. Necessary Special Requirements - Certification as a Commercial Pilot or Airline Transport Pilot, with appropriate ratings; and possession of an FAA Class II Medical Certificate.

Special Note: This is a generalized representation of positions in this class and is not intended to reflect essential functions per ADA. Examples of competencies are typical of the majority of positions, but may not be applicable to all positions.