Emergency Preparedness Program

CFI Outline

Ground Lesson 1: Basics of Flight

- **Objective:** Introduce student to the basics of flight. All further training will build on the knowledge obtained from this lesson
- Elements:
- Principles of flight
 - Theory of lift
 - Introduce relationship between lift/thrust/drag/weight
 - Angle of attack
 - Critical angle of attack
 - How an aircraft stalls
 - Stall indications
 - Why stalls should be avoided
- Flight controls
 - Aileron, elevator and rudder
 - Control inputs for each
 - Associated aircraft movement for each
 - Flaps
 - Effect on aircraft lift and speed
 - How to extend and retract flaps
 - Maximum flap extended speed
 - o Trim
 - Proper use of trim wheel
 - Effect on aircraft and pressure required on yoke
 - Landing gear (if applicable)
 - How to extend and retract gear
 - Maximum gear extension and retraction speed
- Engine controls
 - Throttle
 - Proper operation of throttle control
 - Effect on engine operation with different throttle settings
 - Fuel mixture
 - Proper operation of mixture control
 - Effect on engine operation with different mixture settings
- Flight instruments
 - Airspeed
 - Altimeter
 - Attitude indicator
 - Heading indicator/magnetic compass
 - Tachometer

Ground Lesson 2: Navigation and Navigation Systems

- **Objective:** Introduce the basics of aerial navigation and navigation systems available to pilots in the aircraft.
- Elements:
- Basics of navigation
 - Sectional chart
 - How to determine position
 - Landmarks
 - Obstacles
 - Airports/airspace
- Aircraft navigation systems
 - GPS (if applicable)
 - Basic use of GPS system
 - Inputting airports/waypoints
 - Flying course via magenta line
 - "Nearest Airport" function
 - Autopilot (if applicable)
 - How to enable and disable autopilot
 - How to set autopilot to correct source
 - CDI or FMS
 - How to adjust heading/altitude
- ForeFlight (if applicable)
 - Introduce basics of foreflight
 - Map page, airport page, taxi diagrams
 - Using ruler to determine distance and approximate heading to nearest airport
- Air traffic control
 - How to contact ATC
 - Location of PTT
 - What to say
 - How to tune/switch frequency
 - Identify current frequency
 - Inquire on frequency using PTT
 - Tune guard (121.5) if not currently communicating with ATC facility
 - Phraseology for declaring emergency
 - How to relay position to ATC
 - Apply previous knowledge of aircraft controls, instruments and autopilot to comply with ATC instructions

Ground Lesson 3: Landing and Emergency Procedures

• **Objective:** Introduce procedures for landing the aircraft, including airport identification, runway alignment, and approach procedures. Also introduce a checklist for a pilot incapacitation event

- Approach
 - Identifying airport
 - Use landmarks such as runways, hangars and other buildings to identify the airport
 - Contact ATC to confirm position of airport in relation to aircraft
 - Slowing and descending aircraft
 - Use prior knowledge of flight and throttle controls to slow the aircraft and descend to 1,000ft AGL
 - Entering traffic pattern
 - Ensure landing on runway with best wind
- Landing
 - Verify correct runway
 - Use heading indicator to validate runway once on final approach
 - o Ensure proper configuration
 - Flaps and throttle setting
 - Flare
 - Proper airspeed entering flare
 - Control inputs required to land
 - Post-landing
 - How to bring aircraft to stop
 - Shutting down and securing aircraft
- Emergency scenario: pilot incapacitation
 - Pilot becomes incapacitated
 - Move pilot away from controls
 - Use seatbelt to hold pilot away from yoke
 - Ensure legs are positioned so feet are not on rudder pedals
 - Hold aircraft straight and level
 - Engage autopilot (if applicable)
 - With aircraft under control, contact ATC
 - Follow ATC instructions to nearest suitable airport
 - If ATC services are unavailable, use GPS and pilotage
 - Set up for, and land aircraft

Simulator Lesson 1: Basic Aircraft Controls and Functions

• **Objective:** Begin tying all of the previous ground knowledge together to make a successful simulator flight landing, and build student confidence in instruments, flight controls and procedures

- Prior to flight
 - o Introduce student to the basic instruments, systems and flight controls to be used
- Starting aircraft
 - Begin on ground at airport
 - o Walk student through proper startup of aircraft
- Taxiing and airport familiarity
 - Allow student to practice taxiing to runway
 - o Point out essential airport references, such as markings and signs
- Takeoff
 - Walk student through a proper takeoff and climb out from airport
 - Note: while being able to take off is not the ultimate goal of this course, teaching a take off can help strengthen the knowledge and comfortability of the student in the aircraft
- Maneuvers
 - Demonstrate basic flight maneuvers
 - Climbs, turns, descents, turns to headings
 - Demonstrate advanced maneuvers
 - Power off and on stalls
 - Steep turns
 - Allows student to practice configuring aircraft for different phases of flight
- Navigation
 - Demonstrate basic functions of GPS available
 - Use sectional chart and pilotage to determine present location
- Communications
 - Instructor should act as ATC to allow student to practice proper communications in emergency situation
- Approach
 - Using pilotage and GPS, allow student to navigate to nearest suitable airport and prepare for landing
 - O Determine proper runway, dependent on wind
 - Descend to traffic pattern altitude
- Landing
 - o Align with proper runway
 - Use proper aircraft configuration, control inputs and power settings to land aircraft
 - o Bring aircraft to stop

Aircraft Lesson 1: Basic Aircraft Controls and Functions

 Objective: Build on the previous simulator lesson and ground knowledge, and begin increasing student confidence in the aircraft

- Preflight
 - o Introduce student to preflight
 - Emphasize relevant areas of preflight, including flight controls, engine controls and location of relevant instruments
- Engine startup
 - Walk student through proper checklists to start engine, placing emphasis on proper engine inputs and functions for starting
- Taxiing
 - Introduce student to taxiing, including proper inputs of rudder and brake pedals
 - Point out airport signs and markings and give brief explanations of each
- Runup
 - Allow student to perform runup using checklist
- Takeoff
 - Instructor should perform takeoff while explaining their control inputs and power applications
 - Allow student to "shadow" instructor on controls
- Climb out
 - Hand controls over to student and walk them through the process of holding airspeed using pitch
 - Walk student through level off at appropriate altitude
- Maneuvers
 - Allow student to perform basic flight maneuvers
 - Climbs, turns, descents
- Navigation
 - Using sectional chart and pilotage, have student attempt to determine current position
 - Allow student to use GPS functions to determine course back to airport
 - Instruct student to begin heading back to airport
- Approach
 - Using weather resources available, have student determine proper runway for landing
 - Walk student through proper pattern entry and components of the traffic pattern
 - Downwind, base and final
 - Introduce proper configurations and airspeeds for each pattern leg
- Landing
 - Instructor should perform landing while explaining control inputs and power applications
 - As with takeoff, allow student to "shadow" on controls
 - When speed is reduced, allow student to taxi off runway and bring aircraft back to parking area
- Shutdown and securing
 - Allow student to use checklist to shut down and secure the aircraft

Aircraft Lesson 2: Takeoff and Landing Practice

• **Objective:** Student will begin controlling aircraft through startup, taxi, takeoff and landing phases of flight. Builds confidence in student's landing ability and knowledge of aircraft control.

- Preflight
 - Allow student to preflight aircraft while using appropriate checklist
- Engine startup
 - Allow student to use proper checklist to start engine
- Taxiing
 - Instruct student to use current weather conditions to determine proper takeoff runway
 - Allow student to taxi to runup area associated with proper runway
- Runup
 - Allow student to perform runup using checklist
- Takeoff
 - If comfortable, allow student to perform takeoff
 - Walk student through steps to ensure proper inputs are made
- Pattern
 - Climb to traffic pattern altitude
 - Emphasize proper configurations and airspeeds at pattern segments
- Landing
 - o If comfortable, allow student to perform landing
 - Walk student through steps to ensure proper inputs are made
- Continue traffic pattern until student feels comfortable with performing takeoffs and landings with minimal instructor intervention

Aircraft Lesson 3: Emergency Scenario

• **Objective:** To simulate an emergency situation in which the pilot becomes incapacitated. Student will return aircraft to airport and land, with minimal instructor intervention.

- Departure
 - Using knowledge from previous lessons, allow student to control the aircraft from startup to takeoff, and out towards practice area
- Emergency scenario
 - Once in practice area, instructor will act as pilot who has become incapacitated
 - Student should simulate proper incapacitation actions, including securing pilot away from controls, and contacting ATC
 - o Instruct student to determine position, and return to airport for landing
 - Ensure student makes correct decisions, including determining proper runway for landing, pattern entry, descent to pattern altitude, and proper aircraft configuration in pattern
 - Announce the end of scenario, and allow student to return aircraft to parking
 - *Minimal instructor intervention is the goal for this exercise*
- Debrief
 - o Discuss with student on their performance in the scenario
 - Emphasize positives on aspects student performed well in
 - Make note of mistakes student made, and what the proper action would have been