

NORTH AERO - TAILWHEEL ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM

Tailwheel and Luscombe Club pilot intake

Complete before your first lesson | Luscombe 8E N1302B | Salinas (KSNS)

Complete this before your first lesson so we can build your tailwheel training around how you actually fly. There are no wrong answers and nothing here is a test. This is a training program, not a checkride. Honest answers let us spend the time where it helps most. Leave anything blank that does not apply.

PILOT INFORMATION

FULL NAME		TODAY'S DATE
PILOT CERTIFICATE NUMBER	EMAIL	PHONE

CERTIFICATES, RATINGS, AND ENDORSEMENTS

CERTIFICATE(S) HELD							
Student	Sport	Recreational	Private	Commercial	ATP	CFI	Instrument
CATEGORY / CLASS							
ASEL	AMEL	ASES	AMES	Rotorcraft	Glider	LTA	Powered-lift
ENDORSEMENTS HELD							
High performance	Complex	Tailwheel	High altitude	Type rating	None	Other	
MEDICAL: CLASS AND DATE, OR BASICMED				OTHER / NOTES			

WEIGHT AND BALANCE

We ask because we have to. N1302B carries 463 lb of useful load, and full fuel is 180 lb of that. With an instructor aboard, most lessons launch on partial fuel, and the fuel we can carry depends on what the two of us weigh. Working this out at the airplane is too late.

YOUR WEIGHT, IN POUNDS

Maximum student weight for dual instruction in N1302B is 220 lb with a standard instructor. If you are above that, say so and we will talk. Training in your own tailwheel airplane is one option, and there are others. It is not a door closing, and it is a much better conversation to have now than on the ramp.

YOUR FLYING EXPERIENCE

From your logbook. Estimates are fine.

TOTAL TIME	PIC TIME	HOURS LAST 6 MONTHS	HOURS LAST 90 DAYS
TAILWHEEL TIME, IF ANY	AVERAGE HOURS / MONTH	DATE OF LAST FLIGHT REVIEW	YEARS FLYING

TAILWHEEL AND CONVENTIONAL-GEAR BACKGROUND

ANY PRIOR TAILWHEEL EXPERIENCE? MAKE AND MODEL, HOURS, WHEN.

FLOWN THE LUSCOMBE OR SIMILAR, A CUB, CHAMP, CITABRIA? TELL US WHAT AND WHEN.

YOUR GOALS FOR THIS PROGRAM

PURSUING		
Tailwheel endorsement	Recurrent proficiency	Both
AFTER THE ENDORSEMENT, PLAN TO BUILD TIME IN THE LUSCOMBE THROUGH CLUB MEMBERSHIP?		

Yes No Undecided

YOUR FLYING GOALS FOR THE NEXT YEAR OR TWO

PERSONAL MINIMUMS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

These are yours. We record them, we talk them through with you at your checkout and again at your annual currency flight, and we hold you to nothing here. They are not a contract and they are not North Aero limits. They are the numbers you have decided on for yourself, and the only person who can make them honest is you.

LOWEST CEILING YOU WILL LAUNCH IN

LOWEST VISIBILITY

MAXIMUM TOTAL WIND

MAXIMUM CROSSWIND COMPONENT

MAXIMUM GUST SPREAD

PAVE SELF-CHECK. ANY CURRENT CONCERNS UNDER PILOT, AIRCRAFT, ENVIRONMENT, OR EXTERNAL PRESSURES? RECENCY, HEALTH, CURRENCY, TIME PRESSURE.

North Aero operating limits, which are different. Two, and these do bind, for solo flight in N1302B after your checkout: maximum 10 knot crosswind component for solo flight, and no passengers until 5 hours solo in type. They are listed here so you know about them from the beginning rather than discovering them at the end. They are not a comment on your flying. They apply to everyone.

SELF-ASSESSMENT

WHAT ARE YOUR STRENGTHS AS A PILOT?

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO IMPROVE, OR FEEL RUSTY ON?

ANYTHING SPECIFIC, A SCARE, A HABIT, A QUESTION, THAT YOU HAVE BEEN CARRYING? THIS STAYS BETWEEN US AND SHAPES THE LESSONS.

FOCUS AREAS FOR TAILWHEEL TRAINING

Ground handling and taxi	Takeoff directional control	Three-point landings	Wheel landings	Soft field
Short field	Crosswind takeoffs and landings	Bounce recovery	Slips	Power-failure and emergencies
Ground-loop avoidance				

BEFORE YOUR FIRST LESSON

Bring your logbook and pilot and medical certificates.

For the in-person TSA citizenship check: bring a U.S. passport, OR your original birth certificate plus a government photo ID.

Skim the North Aero tailwheel curriculum and note any questions.

Tell us your weight, above. We plan the fuel load from it.

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