

# LEARN TO FLY



Vliegclub Rotterdam

## HIGH LEVEL

With us, you fly from the Netherlands' second airport, in between the scheduled services. This means that you immediately start to learn at a high level, especially because our instructors are mostly pilots at airlines such as KLM, Transavia and Corendon. More than 45 years' experience and recognition by the Dutch Environment and Transport Inspectorate make VCR an 'Approved Training Organisation' (ATO). So with us you can not only get your PPL but also your CPL. When you learn with us, you are choosing a training course with a proven success rate. 90% of our pupils pass their practical examination first time!

## ENVIRONMENT

We fly with care for the environment, with Robin Eco Flyers, among others. These aircraft have a compression-ignition engine and a fully computer-controlled engine management system. They run on Jet A1 fuel instead of AVGAS. Their multi-blade propellers provide significant noise reduction. These modern engines, fuel and propellers make our aircraft quieter, more economical and cleaner than with conventional petrol engines.

Moreover, there are strict rules governing restricted areas in the Netherlands. Examples of these include nature reserves that cannot be overflown or only above a particular altitude. Of course, we pay full attention to this in our training.



## A NEW HOBBY

The engine is purring and you can feel the adrenaline rush as soon as you point your crate's nose into the wind. The sky is free of traffic. You have the controls. You can feel the freedom as soon as you see Rotterdam below you. And that's just the start! Want to experience that feeling more often? Then learn to fly! And enjoy a new, challenging hobby in which know-how, insight, nerve, relaxation and new friends come together. When are you going to drop in for a cup of coffee and/or a trial lesson?



## OUR CLUB

With more than 600 members, Vliegclub Rotterdam is one of the most active flying clubs in the Netherlands. So getting your licence with us is not an end in itself but only the start of your flying career! Right from the start of your training, you can take part in a host of activities (rallies, trips abroad, club weeks and film evenings) and club life. Our club has

a lot of interesting people who like nothing better than to share their passion for flying with each other – by taking great flights together, for example.





## THE PRACTICE

You can choose between various licences.

### **LAPL (Recreational Pilot License)**

European licence for aircraft

Aircraft up to a weight of 2,000 kg and a maximum of three passengers

Duration of course: 12-18 months

A minimum of 30 flying hours

### **PPL (Private Pilot License)**

Valid for aircraft worldwide

Aircraft up to a weight of 5,700 kg and no limit to the number of passengers

Duration of course: 12-24 months

A minimum of 45 flying hours, including some overland flights and flights abroad

### **CPL (Commercial Pilot License)**

CPL, IR (Instrument Rating) and Multi-Engine

Piston modules complying with the legal requirements stipulated by EASA.

The VCR also provides courses for **ATPL, night flying, aerobatics, formation flying** and **flight instructor**.

## THE THEORY

The seven theory subjects are a compulsory part of the course. You can choose between lessons from our instructors or studying on your own. Examinations are taken at the CBR.

### **Aircraft General Knowledge**

How does an aircraft fly? What forces are at work on it? Is turning just a question of pushing the control column, or is there more involved?

### **Flight planning & Performance**

Load, take-off and landing calculations, fuel...all are important parts of a safe flight.

### **Human Factors**

What does flying do to your body? Why can't you always trust your senses in the cockpit?

### **Radio telephony (R/T)**

This subject is divided into theory and practice.

### **Meteorology**

Why is it better not to fly in certain weather conditions? How can you see what the weather will be like when preparing for your flight?

### **Navigation**

You're flying from A to B, but by which route? You learn to read an aeronautical chart and plot a route.

### **Air Law**

What should you do and not do in the air? Who decides that and who checks it?



## COSTS

The costs for the course is split in several parts. Costs for the theory lessons depends on the ATO where you follow the theory. VCR provides a good course twice per year by our instructors. The exams are taken by CBR. Look at their website for costs of the exams.

The costs for flight instructions are the hire of the plane and instructor and the costs for landings. Next to this you will fly at least 10 hours Solo. At the end after all exams are taken, you can order your brevet at KIWA. Refer to the KIWA website at aviation for the prices.

The number of hours for a full PPL course depends on many factors. Between 55 and 80 hours is a normal average, less is possible, more as well. Ask our administration for the latest information of the prices for hire and exams.

## IMPORTANT TO KNOW

To fly an aircraft independently, a pilot must undergo a medical examination and pass an English fluency test. We advise you to take a medical examination before you start lessons.

## THE FLEET

Vliegclub Rotterdam has an excellently maintained, modern, wide-ranging fleet of aircraft. For basic training for LAPL and PPL we use Robin DR-400 Trainers. The club also uses Piper Warriors and Piper Archers. The Robin R2160 is suitable for aerobatics.



To follow the course you have to be a member of the Vliegclub Rotterdam. The vliegclub is connected to the ATO.

Costs are a one-time registration and an annual contribution for membership from the club. Ask our administration for the current rates.





## TESTIMONIALS

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"When you choose a flying course at the Vliegclub Rotterdam, your training doesn't just consist of practical lessons and study. With the right attitude, you also get to know a group of people with whom you can share your passion, through the hours in the bar, the great events and the friendly atmosphere."

*Danny van Munster, Class 2011*

"The best thing is seeing the world from above."

*Eric Hogeboom, lid sinds 2007*

"For me, it's always important that the path to a licence should be a great experience for every new pilot – that it clicks between the pupil and the instructor. You're going on an adventure together and gaining new experiences. Happily, we have many different instructors at the VCR."

*Marguerite Moquette, instructeur sinds 2009*



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