



FIRC

Flight Instructor Refresher Course

Hosted by the Philadelphia Glider Council

Presented by Aviation Seminars

Homewood Suites
1200 Pennbrook Parkway
Lansdale, PA 19446

February 23rd & 24th 2019

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What is it?-

A flight instructor's certificate expires after two years. To renew it, a flight instructor must graduate more than 5 pilots with better than an 80% success rate (that's a lot of instructing for a volunteer), re-test with the FAA (nobody wants to do that), or attend a Flight Instructor Refresher Course.

Why does Philadelphia Glider Council host?-

We have 16 volunteer flight instructors who all need to recertify, so we host this class for them every two years. We invite others to attend because we believe different people from different organizations bring unique perspectives to our discussions.

What flight instructors should attend?-

We will be spending a little extra time talking about gliders, but any certified flight instructor (airplane, helicopter) can use this class to recertify. The glider focus will just add a little spice. Since we host this FIRC every other year, you can get on our rotation and never worry about having to find a new FIRC.

Who else should attend?-

Anyone who thinks they might want to earn a flight instructor certificate. A FIRC is a wonderful head start.

Any licensed pilot who would like to take a deep dive into aviation safety and up their game on a cold winter weekend.

Any student pilot who would like to better understand what their flight instructor is trying to teach them, how and why. Learn the flight instructor's secret handshake.

Who is Aviation Seminars-

Aviation Seminars has been a top rated FAA approved education company for more than 40 years. They present aviation courses from private pilot test prep through professional pilot courses around the country.

Who are the presenters?-

Kim Barnes is returning to work with us this year, and he will be joined by Joe Scarcella, a glider only Designated Pilot Examiner, with a Ph.D. in education who has been teaching for 25 years.

Where is the class being held?-

Homewood Suites, 1200 Pennbrooke Parkway, Lansdale PA 19446

When?-

Saturday February 23rd from 8:00 am until 5:30 PM, and Sunday 24th from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM.

Can I stay at the Homewood Suites if I am travelling to the class?-

Yes, our presenters are staying on site, and a block of rooms are available at a reduced rate of \$110. Just mention the Aviation Seminars when you make your reservations.

Will my certificate be renewed on site?-

Yes, Aviation Seminars will process your certificate on site, at no extra cost. You don't have to make a separate trip to the local FSDO.

Will I receive WINGS credit?-

Yes, all attendees receive 9 WINGS knowledge credits.

How much does it cost?-

The Philadelphia Glider Council has contracted with Aviation Seminars to run this FIRC, and is able to offer a special rate of \$175. (That's a \$50 savings)

How do I register?-

Please contact Phil Klauder at phil.klauder@verizon.net