



How to Become a BPPP Instructor



Here's the process by which new instructors will be brought into the BPPP instructor cadre:

1. An instructor is nominated (or nominates him/herself) as a candidate to become a BPPP instructor.
2. The candidate submits an instructional resume to ABS HQ. He or she also submits letters of recommendation from at least two ABS members he or she has instructed in the past three years.
3. The minimum BPPP instructor experience requirements remain in effect:
 - a. Combined left seat time in Bonanzas, Barons, and/or Travel Airs: 100 hours
 - b. Dual Given (all aircraft): 500 hours
 - c. Dual given in Bonanzas: 50 hours
 - d. Dual given in last 12 months in Bonanzas, Barons, or Travel Airs: 15 hours
 - e. For multi-engine instruction (not required) Dual given in Barons or Travel Airs: 50 hours
 - f. Minimum requirements may be waived on a case-by-case basis on the strength of other experience
4. The candidate completes the online ABS Flight Instructor Academy program.
5. The candidate completes a telephone or in-person interview with the ABS/ASF Executive Director and/or his designated representative. Evaluation of the candidate will emphasize:
 - a. Safety and instructional/member service attitude
 - b. Communication ability
 - c. Enthusiasm for teaching in Beech aircraft
 - d. Knowledge of and enthusiasm for ABS, its products and member services
6. The ABS/ASF Executive Director informs the candidate whether he/she has passed the interview and is eligible for standardization training.
7. The ABS/ASF Executive Director informs the BPPP Standardization Check Pilots that the candidate is eligible for standardization training.
8. The candidate contacts a BPPP Standardization Check Pilot from the online list and schedules his/her check flight.
 - a. The candidate is responsible for supplying a satisfactory Bonanza, Debonair, Baron or Travel Air aircraft.
 - i. ABS will develop and post a list of available Beech airplanes.
 - ii. ABS/ASF will poll ABS members for their willingness to provide airplanes for BPPP standardization flights, and add any contacts to the list.
 - iii. Candidates may have success asking one of the ABS members who endorsed the candidate to permit use of his/her aircraft.
 - iv. BPPP Standardization Check Pilots who wish to permit use of a personal aircraft for instructor check flights may do by individual agreement with the candidate.

- b. All BPPP instructional flight procedures, including insurance requirements and hold harmless agreements, apply to standardization check flights.
9. The BPPP Standardization Check Pilot conducts the flight check using the BPPP Standardization Flight Checklist (incorporating required maneuvers, completion standards and BPPP limitations):
 - a. The purpose is to evaluate the candidate's ability to communicate, ensure a safe training environment, and permit the pilot receiving instruction hands-on experience in the flight maneuvers.
 - b. Strong emphasis is placed on evaluating the candidate's ability to quickly develop communications/rapport with the customer and to assess the customer's level of experience, ability, anxiety and training needs. We have to be excellent judges of character and airmanship in order to deliver BPPP training in the most effective manner in the short time we spend with the customer.
 - c. The candidate should clearly demonstrate enthusiasm for the Beechcraft product line, as well as a strong commitment to raise the customer's flying to an increased level of safety and precision.
 - d. This is as much a teaching event as it is a check. The BPPP Standardization Check Pilot's job is to show how we do things in BPPP, and determine whether the candidate can provide the same quality of presentation with ABS members.
 - e. All safety protocols and BPPP limitations apply.
 - f. The BPPP Standardization Check Pilot will fly from the left seat and demonstrate the maneuvers. Per the checklist, some of the maneuvers are conducted and "taught" by the candidate from the right seat.
 - g. Emphasis is on the maneuvers and techniques presented in visual flight, and the By the Numbers technique with at least one demonstrated instrument approach.
 - h. The flight should last approximately 2.5 to three hours, with approximately one hour of pre- and post-flight briefing.
 - i. The BPPP Standardization Check Pilot may endorse the pilots for a Flight Review at his/her discretion. Completing all maneuvers required for an IPC are outside the scope of this flight.
 - j. If there are any deficiencies found in the candidate's flying and/or teaching ability that the BPPP Standardization Check Pilot feels is otherwise a good candidate, he/she may offer additional instruction (at the candidate's expense). This is not meant to maximize the BPPP Standardization Check Pilot's paid time, but rather remove pressure on the Check Pilot to approve someone who might need a little work but would otherwise be a good addition to the program.
 - k. The flat fee for standardization is \$300 (this is the BPPP CFI rate of \$75/hour for up to four hours' time). The candidate pays the BPPP Standardization Check Pilot directly.
 - l. The candidate is responsible for any costs associated with the airplane.
10. The BPPP Standardization Check Pilot informs the ABS/ASF Executive Director of whether the candidate successfully completed the check flight.
11. The ABS/ASF Executive Director informs the candidate of the outcome of the check flight.
12. If the candidate is successful, ABS HQ adds the pilot's name and information to the BPPP Instructor list.

Note: CFIs may also enroll in the online ABS Flight Instructor Academy program directly and complete the course in order to improve their ability to provide instruction outside the ABS/BPPP system. Those instructors who complete the online course but do not pursue BPPP credentials will be listed on the ABS website separately from the BPPP instructor list with a disclaimer that they have completed the online program but have not been interviewed or flight checked. They will not be eligible to provide instruction resulting in the award of a BPPP course completion certificate and will not be paid for their services as part of the BPPP or any other ABS program.