

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

STEP 1- Flight Training Application, Terms and Conditions, and Parental/Legal Guardian consent form

Complete the flight training application, and sign the terms and conditions and parent/legal guardian consent form (if under 18 years of age) attached in your E-mail.

STEP 2- I-20 Processing Fee

To cover the I-20 processing fee of \$350 we will require a valid credit card.

STEP 3- Academic Records

The student is required to provide an official record of schooling and/or other educational achievement that must include English language proficiency and at least 12 years of academic education. (Copies of diplomas are acceptable)

STEP 4- Letter from financial institution

An officer from the students financial institution will need to certify in a letter that the student has adequate funds for educational and living expenses and must have at least the funds required as shown in the flight training application.

STEP 5- Copy of Passport

You will need to include a legible, full color copy of the student's valid passport.

STEP 6- E-mail all information

Once you have all the items from **STEPS 1, 3, 4, & 5** (completed I-20 Flight Training Application, signed Terms and Conditions, Parental/Legal Guardian Consent Form (if applicable), photocopies of your Academic Education Records, the letter or statement from your financial institution, and the full-color copy of your valid passport) and have provided a valid credit card to cover the I-20 processing fee, please send them as attachments in an email to info@pbflight.com

STEP 7- M-1 Student Training Visa

Upon receipt of the items from **STEP 6**, Palm Beach Flight Training will issue and send the student the I-20 Form and instructions to apply for the M-1 Student Training Visa.

STEP 8- SEVIS

The student will then need to go to the Student and Exchange Visitors Information Service (SEVIS) website: <u>www.FMJFee.com</u> and complete the SEVIS I-901 Form and

pay the required \$200 USD application fee. This fee must be paid before that applicant (student) arrives at the US Embassy or Consulate in the applicant's country of origin for the Visa interview.

STEP 9- TSA

Once the student receives their M1 Visa, they will need to submit an application for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) background check and fingerprinting. Please visit: <u>www.FlightSchoolCandidates.gov</u> for the step-by-step procedures. **Please note: TRAINING CANNOT START UNTIL THE STUDENT RECEIVES TSA CLEARANCE.**

This clearance typically takes 3 to 6 weeks after the submission of fingerprints. *THE STUDENT MUST NOT MAKE ANY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS UNTIL THEY RECEIVE AN EMAIL SAYING*: "Permission to Initiate Training/Fingerprint Receipt".

STEP 10- After the student gets the M1 Visa and the TSA approval they can make their travel arrangements and advise Palm Beach Flight Training of arrival dates.

Other Important Information an International Student and Resident Aliens MUST know:

• All International Students MUST be 17 years of age to earn and hold a Private Pilot License.

• All International Students MUST be 18 years of age to earn and hold a Commercial Pilot License.

- All International Students MUST be able to read, speak, write, and understand English.
- All International Students MUST be able to pass and hold a Class II FAA Medical.
- All International Students MUST train on an M-1 Student Visa.
- All International Students WILL be photographed at the start of their flight training program.

Applicants from non-English speaking countries must complete the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) examination as a demonstration of English proficiency. A score of at least 550 is required and a copy of the test results must be forwarded to Palm Beach Flight Training. Students from India are considered to be proficient in English as long as they had English as one of their High School subjects.

If it is not convenient for you to complete the TOEFL exam in your country, or you are uncertain about your standard of English, you should contact the Cultural Affairs Officer at the US Embassy in your country.