

flight instructor rating on a pilot certificate is no longer valid and may not be exchanged for a similar rating or a flight instructor certificate.

(2) The holder of a flight instructor rating or a limited flight instructor rating on a pilot certificate may be issued a flight instructor certificate with the current ratings, but only if the person passes the required knowledge and practical test prescribed in this subpart for the issuance of the current flight instructor certificate and rating.

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**§ 61.201 [Reserved]**

**Subpart I—Ground Instructors**

**§ 61.211 Applicability.**

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of ground instructor certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the limitations upon those certificates and ratings.

**§ 61.213 Eligibility requirements.**

(a) To be eligible for a ground instructor certificate or rating a person must:

- (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant’s ground instructor certificate as are necessary;
- (3) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, pass a knowledge test on the fundamentals of instructing to include—
  - (i) The learning process;
  - (ii) Elements of effective teaching;
  - (iii) Student evaluation and testing;
  - (iv) Course development;
  - (v) Lesson planning; and
  - (vi) Classroom training techniques.
- (4) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas in—
  - (i) For a basic ground instructor rating §§ 61.97, 61.105, and 61.309;

- (ii) For an advanced ground instructor rating §§ 61.97, 61.105, 61.125, 61.155, and 61.309; and

- (iii) For an instrument ground instructor rating, § 61.65.

(b) The knowledge test specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section is not required if the applicant:

- (1) Holds a ground instructor certificate or flight instructor certificate issued under this part;
- (2) Holds a current teacher’s certificate issued by a State, county, city, or municipality that authorizes the person to teach at an educational level of the 7th grade or higher; or
- (3) Is employed as a teacher at an accredited college or university.

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**§ 61.215 Ground instructor privileges.**

(a) A person who holds a basic ground instructor rating is authorized to provide—

- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for the issuance of a sport pilot certificate, recreational pilot certificate, private pilot certificate, or associated ratings under this part;
- (2) Ground training required for a sport pilot, recreational pilot, and private pilot flight review; and
- (3) A recommendation for a knowledge test required for the issuance of a sport pilot certificate, recreational pilot certificate, or private pilot certificate under this part.

(b) A person who holds an advanced ground instructor rating is authorized to provide:

- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for the issuance of any certificate or rating under this part;
- (2) Ground training required for any flight review; and
- (3) A recommendation for a knowledge test required for the issuance of any certificate under this part.

(c) A person who holds an instrument ground instructor rating is authorized to provide:

- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for the issuance of an instrument rating under this part;