



Steps to get PPL Validation from FAA

1) *Apply for Foreign License Verification*

All interaction with the FAA happen through IACRA: <https://iacra.faa.gov/IACRA/default.aspx>
Integrated Airman Certification and Rating Application

- Just follow the instructions to newly register/create an account
- Once logged in/registered submit a new application for verification of a foreign license (follow the instructions to the letter and attach all your relevant documentation)
https://www.faaservices.net/uploads/1/3/5/9/135945758/faa_iacra_initial_register_and_verification.pdf
– make sure you choose **Long Beach, CA** for the FSDO

Wait for 3 - 45 days – after three weeks, you can contact the person responsible for verifications in your local Civil Aviation Authority (@SACAA it is Amanda Haverkamp) and remind them to reply to the FAA.

Once the verification letter comes back:

2) *Apply for a PPL ‘foreign based’*

- re-enter IACRA and start a new application for PPL ‘foreign based’
- it will ask you for your total hours broken down in detail on a 8710 form
- https://www.faaservices.net/uploads/1/3/5/9/135945758/faa_iacra_apply_ppl_foreign.pdf

3) *Zoom call with FAA Examiner*

- the FAA examiner will check your identity during a live video call
- email your details and FTN number to: instructor@yebo.co.za to get introduced to the examiner
- have \$150 ready on ‘PayPal’ for the FAA examiner
- he will issue and email you the temporary validation/license
- the FAA will mail the plastic-card to you within three months
- **Note:** Both the temporary and permanent licenses are only valid if the pilot’s logbook is endorsed by an FAA rated instructor after completion of a Flight Review as per the email you will receive:

4) *Complete a FAA Flight Review*

- Schedule time with: instructor@yebo.co.za
- Cost is 1 hour ground evaluation + 1 hour flight (bring own aircraft or H&F) + fee of \$200,- in USD cash
- - see separate checklist/info for completion of flight review on FAAServices.net for further details -

Please remember, you'll need to complete a flight review with an FAA instructor as per 14 CFR 61.56. It will be a minimum of 1 hour ground and 1 hour flight and you receive a logbook endorsement and flight training entry. The logbook entry should look like the sample below or its equivalent.

Completion of a flight review: § 61.56(a) and (c).

I certify that [First name, MI, Last name], [grade of pilot certificate], [certificate number], has satisfactorily completed a flight review of § 61.56(a) on [date].