Pre-solo Written Exam – Cessna 172

Name: ___________________________________________ Date: _______________________

Airplane Make/Model: ____________________________________________________________

Answer the following questions in the space provided, using the FARs, AIM, AFD, and POH. If you reference one of these sources for an answer, be sure to note it for your future reference.

1. What type of engine does the Skyhawk have? ________________________________
2. What is the engine horsepower? ____________________________________________
3. How many gallons of useable fuel does the Skyhawk hold? ______________________
4. What type of oil should be used in this engine? ______________________________
5. Please show the speed on the Skyhawk (in Knots) for each item below, and define in your own words the significance of each speed and how it is used:
   - \( V_R \) _________________________________________________________________
   - \( V_X \) _________________________________________________________________
   - \( V_Y \) _________________________________________________________________
   - Best Glide ________________________________________________________________
   - \( V_{NE} \) ______________________________________________________________
   - \( V_{NO} \) ______________________________________________________________
   - \( V_A \) _________________________________________________________________
   - \( V_{FE} \) ______________________________________________________________
   - \( V_{SL} \) ______________________________________________________________
   - \( V_{SO} \) ______________________________________________________________

6. What are the maximum demonstrated crosswind components for the Skyhawk?
   Crosswind: _____ Kts

7. What is the service ceiling of the Skyhawk? ________________________________

8. What is the takeoff distance to clear a 50 foot obstacle on a standard day? __________
9. What is the landing distance over a 50 foot obstacle on a standard day? ____________________

10. What is the maximum RPM setting? ____________________

11. Please describe the loss of engine procedures for the Skyhawk.
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12. What is the maximum gross weight of the Skyhawk? ____________________

13. What is the empty weight of the Skyhawk? ____________________

14. What is the useful load of the Skyhawk? ____________________

15. With full fuel, how much weight can you carry in Skyhawk? ____________________

16. What preflight actions are required before a flight not in the vicinity of an airport? Before any flight?
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17. List the minimum equipment and instruments that must be working properly in your aircraft for flight.
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18. How many hours are required between consuming alcohol and flying? _________ What is the maximum blood alcohol content to legally operate an aircraft? _________________

19. What altitude should you fly when operating in level cruising flight to the East at more than 3,000 feet agl? ____________________
20. How many fuel sumps does the Skyhawk have? _______ Why is it necessary to drain fuel from the fuel sumps? _____________________________________________________________
    When should this be done? __________________________________________________________________________________

21. What type and grade of fuel is used the Skyhawk? ______________________________________________________________________

22. What is the acceptable range for oil quantity in the Skyhawk? ________________________________________________________________
    __________________________________________________________________________________________________________

23. Will the engine run with the master switch turned off? __________________________________________________________________
    Why or why not? __________________________________________________________

24. What is the maximum allowable flap setting for takeoff in the Skyhawk? ______________

25. During a magneto check, what is the maximum RPM drop? ___________________________
    How much difference is acceptable between the left and right mags? _______________________

26. Draw a diagram of the runways at your airport. Label each runway.
27. Draw a runway and a “normal” traffic pattern. Label each leg.

28. Which turn direction is standard for a traffic pattern? ____________________ What is traffic pattern altitude at your airport? ____________________________________________

29. How do you enter and exit the traffic pattern at an uncontrolled airport?
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30. List the following frequencies at your airport:
   ATIS: ________________________________________________
   Ground: ______________________________________________
   Tower: ________________________________________________
   Approach Control: ____________________________________
   Emergency: __________________________________________

31. Describe, "Wake turbulence". In which type of aircraft and in which configuration is this most prominent? What is proper procedure to avoid wake turbulence?
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32. When are you required to wear a safety belt? Shoulder harness?

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__________________________________________________________________________

33. What must a pilot do before entering each of these airspace classes?
   Class A: ___________________________________________________________________
   Class B: ___________________________________________________________________
   Class C: ___________________________________________________________________
   Class D: ___________________________________________________________________
   Class G: ___________________________________________________________________

34. What is the minimum fuel requirement for VFR day conditions? ________________

35. If the altimeter setting is not available at an airport, what setting should you use before
   departing on a local flight? __________________________________________________

36. What must you do before performing flight maneuvers? ____________________________

37. When practicing Steep Turns, Stalls, and Slow Flight, the entry altitude must allow a
   recovery to be completed no lower than ________ feet AGL.

38. When two aircraft of the same category are converging head-on, which way do you turn to
   avoid the other aircraft? _______________________________________________________

39. Give three situations that would necessitate a go-around.
   a) _________________________________________________________________________
   b) _________________________________________________________________________
   c) _________________________________________________________________________

   List the procedure for a go-around:
   ___________________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________
40. What documents and endorsements are you required having in your possession to legally operate the airplane as a student pilot?

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41. What are limitations your instructor may place on your solo endorsements? __________

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42. What are the limitations of a student pilot, as stated in Part 61.89 of the Federal Aviation Regulations?

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Instructor Statement:
I have reviewed this pre-solo written exam with the student and have determined that the answers, as corrected by the student, are complete and correct.

Instructor Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Student Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
SOLO FLIGHT CHECKLIST – per FAR 61.87

☐ Demonstrate satisfactory knowledge on a Presolo written test, and review all incorrect answers with an instructor.

☐ Receive and Log training on:
  1. Preflight panning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems
  2. Taxiing or surface ops, including runups
  3. Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind
  4. Straight and level flights, and turns in both directions
  5. Climbs and climbing turns
  6. Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure
  7. Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance
  8. Descents, with and without turns, using high ad low drag configurations
  9. Flight at various airspeeds from cruise to slowflight
 10. Stall entries from various flight attitudes and power combinations with recovery initiated at the first indication as well as recovery from a full stall
 11. Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions
 12. Ground reference maneuvers
 13. Approaches to a landing area with simulated engine malfunctions
 14. Slips to a landing
 15. Go-arounds

☐ Demonstrate satisfactory proficiency and safety in the make and model of aircraft to be flown.

☐ Receive an endorsement in the student's logbook for the specific make and model aircraft to be flown by an authorized instructor who gave the training within the 90 days preceding the date of the flight.