

# Our mission? To **grow** participation in aviation.

Since 1992, more than **2 million young people** have discovered the incredible world of flight through the EAA Young Eagles program.

For most children and their parents, the Young Eagles program may be their first exposure to a general aviation airplane and pilot. With that in mind, please take time to act as an ambassador for general aviation

## Pilot Requirements

The Young Eagles pilot requirements are basic, but **MUST** be followed.

- > Be a current EAA® member and hold an appropriate airman's certificate (sport pilot or greater).
- > Possess a current medical certificate (if applicable).
- > Be current to carry passengers in the aircraft you plan to use.
- > Have a current flight review.
- > Complete the Young Eagles registration form **before** the flight, including parent or legal guardian signature, and pilot signature.
- > Conduct flights in an aircraft that is in airworthy condition.
- > Have aircraft passenger liability insurance for the aircraft used (owned, rented, or borrowed).
- > Adhere to all applicable Federal Air Rules (FARs).
- > Complete both the online training and basic background check as a part of EAA's Youth Protection Policy.
- > For more information, visit [EAA.org/YouthProtection](http://EAA.org/YouthProtection).

### Insurance Coverage

As an EAA member participating in the Young Eagles program, you are eligible for an additional \$1 million of passenger liability insurance coverage, if you carry a minimum of \$100,000 per seat liability insurance. This coverage is automatically in place when flying Young Eagles; there are no additional forms to complete. In addition to these requirements, you must also meet the current FARs for the pilot certificate you hold.

### Join EAA

Other Young Eagles volunteers (ground support, for example) are not required to be EAA members, but are encouraged to join. For more information, visit [EAA.org/Join](http://EAA.org/Join) or call **1-800-JOIN-EAA**.

### A **special message** from the EAA Young Eagles co-chairmen



*"It's truly humbling to be a part of this great organization, but it's really about the kids and inspiring them. It brings me back to my childhood and how much love I had for my first flight."*

*Jimmy Graham  
NFL tight end and  
Young Eagles co-chairman*



*"Without the guidance of mentors I had at EAA, I wouldn't be who I am today. I, along with 42,000 other pilots are now helping light that same spark for kids through EAA's Young Eagles program. Together, we have and will continue to inspire the next generation of aviators!"*

*Sean D. Tucker  
Air show performer and  
Young Eagles co-chairman*

## Young Eagles® **Pilot Guidelines**



# Guidelines for Conducting a Young Eagles Flight



## Before the Flight

- > Complete the Young Eagles registration form, signed by you and each of your passengers.  
*\*A parent and/or legal guardian signature is required for all Young Eagles flights.*
- > Discuss what you will see and do on your flight, including reviewing charts and identifying reference points.
- > Stress ramp safety, emphasizing caution around propellers and moving aircraft. **No hot loading.**
- > Conduct a preflight inspection and identify the parts that control the airplane.
- > Describe the aircraft interior and explain the operation of the aircraft door, safety belts, and shoulder harnesses (if installed).
- > Allow time to answer any questions before you start your engine.

## During the Flight

- > Maintain a common-sense approach to the flight, applying see-and-avoid techniques at all times.
- > Plan your flight to be as pleasant as possible. **VFR weather is required.**
- > Participants may follow along on the controls, but you must remain in command of the aircraft at all times. No aerobatic maneuvers, unusual attitudes, or formation flights are permitted.
- > Young Eagles must use a seatbelt at all times; no changing of seats while airborne.
- > **No more than three Young Eagles can be flown at one time.**

## After the Flight

- > **Congratulate your new Young Eagle!** Reward them with their very own EAA Young Eagles logbook, along with an entry for today's flight.
- > Encourage the Young Eagle to activate their **free EAA student membership** by visiting [YoungEagles.org/Join](http://YoungEagles.org/Join) and entering the unique code located on the back of their logbook. The site is a valuable tool for additional flight training and scholarship opportunities including access to Sporty's Online Learn to Fly Course — a \$249 value — at no cost.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What if the child does not meet the age criteria?

Participants should be between the ages of 8 and 17 (up to the child's 18th birthday). We encourage you to follow these guidelines. Those over the age of 18 may be interested in the EAA Eagle Flights program. Eagle Flights are one-on-one flights for adults who are interested in learning to fly and may not be combined with a Young Eagles flight. Please visit [EAA.org/EagleFlights](http://EAA.org/EagleFlights) for more information.

### Can Young Eagles fly more than once?

Yes. Research has shown that Young Eagles who participate in more than one flight are more likely to pursue a pilot certificate or get involved in aviation. The Young Eagles registration form must be completed for every Young Eagles flight.

### Do I have to belong to an EAA chapter to participate?

No. Any current EAA member may fly Young Eagles, provided they meet the pilot requirements.

### Can I fly my licensed "Experimental" aircraft?

Yes. All aircraft are eligible provided they are properly licensed and flown in accordance with appropriate FARs (or your country's equivalent) and the Young Eagles program guidelines.

### Are there any restrictions on flight activities?

All Young Eagles flights must be conducted in VFR weather. No unusual attitudes, formation flights, or aerobatics are permitted. All aircraft must shut down between flights (no hot loading). All flights must take off and land at the same airport with no stops in between.

For general questions about Young Eagles, please call the EAA Young Eagles Office at **877-806-8902**, or email [yeagles@eaa.org](mailto:yeagles@eaa.org). To order additional materials, please visit [YoungEagles.org/Volunteers](http://YoungEagles.org/Volunteers).

**BE SURE TO MAIL IN THE REGISTRATION FORM—DON'T DELAY!**

*A misplaced or lost registration will mean the Young Eagle will not be officially registered or receive subsequent benefits.*