

APPENDIX A: AIRSPACE CLASSES QUICK REFERENCE CHART

Airspace Features	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class D	Class E	Class G
Entry Requirements	IFR Clearance	ATC Clearance	Prior two-way communications	Prior two-way communications	None	None
Minimum Pilot Qualifications	Instrument Rating	Private or student certificate location dependent	Student certificate	Student certificate	Student certificate	Student certificate
Two-Way Radio Communications	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not required	Not required
Special VFR Allowed*	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
VFR Visibility Minimum	N/A	3 Statute miles**	3 Statute miles**	3 Statute miles**	3 Statute miles**	1 Statute mile**
VFR Minimum Distance from Clouds	N/A	Clear of clouds	500 feet below, 1,000 feet above, 2,000 feet horizontally**	500 feet below, 1,000 feet above, 2,000 feet horizontally**	500 feet below, 1,000 feet above, 2,000 feet horizontally**	Clear of clouds
VFR Aircraft Separation	N/A	All	IFR	Runway operations	None	None
Traffic Advisories	N/A	Yes	Yes	Workload permitting	Workload permitting	Workload permitting

* Authorized by an ATC clearance and conducted within the lateral boundaries of the surface area.

** Flight visibility and cloud clearance requirements differ for operations below 1,200 feet AGL, above 1,200 feet AGL but below 10,000 feet MSL, above 10,000 feet MSL, day, night, or student pilot. See FARs 61.89 and 91.155 for specifics.

NOTE: IFR operations in controlled airspace require filing an IFR flight plan and an appropriate ATC clearance.