

Cross-Country Checklist for IPC

PILOT - Review Personal Minimums Checklist

revise/review "PAVE Personal Minimums Development Guide (PILOT Factors)"

- Recency (time/practice in last 30 days)
- Currency (takeoffs & landings, IFR currency [if applicable])
- Terrain & Airspace (level of familiarity)
- Health & Well-being (IM SAFE)

AIRCRAFT

- Mechanical Condition (pre-flight & walk-around)
- Avionics & Systems (pre-flight, walk-around, & runup)
- Performance Calculations (takeoff, climb, cruise, & landing)
- Fuel Requirements (reserves & alternates [if required])
- Other Equipment (checklists, EFBs, chocks, tie-downs, extra oil, etc.)

ENVIRONMENT

- Weather
 - Reports & Forecasts (departure, en route, destination, alternates [if required])
 - Severe Weather (AIRMETs, SIGMETs, icing, turbulence, & wind shear avoidance)
 - Weather Stability (fronts & pressure systems)
 - Alternates (if, when, & how to add to the plan)
- Night - Lighting (cockpit & flashlights)
- Airspace
 - TFRs or Other Restrictions
 - COM/NAV Equipment Requirements & Availability
 - Cruising Altitude(s)
- Terrain - VFR & IFR Charts (MEF, MSA, & MEA altitudes)
review "AOPA Safety Brief: Terrain Avoidance Plan"
- Airports
 - COM/NAV Requirements & Frequencies
 - Runway Lengths
 - Services Available

EXTERNAL PRESSURES

- Family Expectations
- Passenger Needs & Expectations
- Weather Concerns
- Prepared for Diversion (money, accommodations, etc.)
- Other Time Pressures ("get-there-itis")