

Transportation Security Agency (TSA) Clearance

A security clearance from the Transportation Security Agency is required for foreign nationals to begin flight training in the United States. You can complete the first steps in your home country and get your fingerprints taken there or upon your arrival.

Go to the TSA link: www.flightschoolcandidates.gov. After creating a student account, completing the form, and receiving email notifications, an email will be sent to you requesting fingerprints and you will be given access to a website that will list all fingerprinting agencies. If you need to wait to get your fingerprinting done in the United States we will take you to a local agency. The TSA Clearance process:

- 1. Go to www.flightschoolcandidates.gov
- 2. Click LOGIN then go to New Student Account.
- 3. Fill out the necessary information (See below. If you need assistance, please email us)
- 4. Pay directly to the TSA the \$130 processing fee.
- 5. You will also need to upload a clear color copy of your passport and your visa.

Frequently asked questions when filling out the necessary information on the TSA Website

- Last name and first name are required
- Training Request Course Name: **Initial (for Private)** or Instrument or Commercial or Multi-engine
- Aircraft Type is the particular aircraft you will be training in (example: **Cessna 152**, or Cessna 172, for Private Pilot Course, Cessna 172S for Instrument, Cessna 177RG for Commercial, Beechcraft Duchess for Multi-Engine
- **The category is 3** (this means the aircraft is less than 12,500lbs)
- Student ID for the school is your cell number with no dashes

Feel free to call or email us if you have any questions or are confused about this process. We look forward to flying with you soon!