

Blanket COA Flight Checklist

1) TFRs or NOTAMs?

- TFRs (cancel flight): Check SkyVector, make sure "Temporary Flight Restriction" layer is enabled.
- NOTAMs (exercise caution): Check SkyVector, make sure "DROTAMS" layer is enabled.

2) Airspace Class?

- Basic Airspace (must fly in class G)
 - B: solid blue (large rings around a big city airport)
 - C: solid magenta (rings around moderately big city airport)
 - D: dashed blue (dashed ring around small passenger airports)
 - E: 1200' AGL floor default, 700' AGL floor with shaded magenta line, surface floor with dashed magenta line
 - G: surface to beginning of Class E (if not B, C, or D)
- Check Applicable Time and Airspace Level Reversions (must fly in class G)
 - Class C, D, and E (sfc) airspaces may revert, check chart supplement using airports tab of SkyVector
- Special Use Airspace
 - Prohibited/Restricted (cancel flight), check for blue combed sections on SkyVector. Check for more information regarding active times and altitudes in corner of sectional chart.
 - Military Operational Areas (must deconflict before flight), check for magenta combed sections on SkyVector. More information included in corner of sectional chart.
- Military Training Routes (must deconflict within 8NM)
 - Check SkyVector for light grey line with VR or IR designation

3) Nearby airports with restrictions?

- Airport with active tower (must fly 5NM away)
 - Check SkyVector for blue airports
- Airport with no tower or no active tower (must fly 2/3NM away)
 - Check SkyVector for magenta airports. Must stay 3NM away from airports with instrument approach procedures, 2NM away from airports with no instrument approach procedures. Check airnav.com for existing instrument approach procedures.

4) Weather Restrictions?

- Cloud Ceiling (broken, overcast, or VV) of 1,000ft or higher
 - Check nearest METAR on SkyVector
- Visibility greater than 3 statute miles
 - Check nearest METAR in SkyVector
- No Red Flag warnings
 - check weather.gov and click on desired location on map
- Wind, elements, and other environmental factors
 - Read owner's manual for restrictions on wind, rain and more.
- Cloud clearance
 - Check FOM for airspace and day/night specific cloud restrictions

5) Flight time?

- Check Civil Twilight Time
 - Night is defined as 30 minutes past sunset to 30 minutes prior to sunrise. Must have your night certification to operate at night.

6) NOTAM and VO?

- Submit NOTAM 24 hours in advance
 - NOTAM submission is required under non-blanket COA operations.
- Use VO for visual assistance
 - VOs are required under non-blanket COA operations