

AMT 303 – Inspection Authorization Initial Certification Course

Savannah Technical College is offering an Inspection Authorization Certification Prep Course for aircraft maintenance technicians wishing to take the next step in their career by earning their IA license. The course will be offered several times during the year with various schedules and covers all areas of the IA testing requirements.

STEP 1: Get your FAA signoffs

Call Atlanta, GA or Columbia, SC FSDO (Flight Standards District Office) to speak with an FAA representative about your aviation experience & they will tell you whether or not you are eligible to take the Inspection Authorization Exam.

To be eligible for an inspection authorization, an applicant must meet the following requirements in accordance with FAR 65.91:

1. Hold a current effective mechanic certificate with both A&P ratings, which has been effective for a total of 3 years.
2. Have been actively engaged, for at least the 2 year period before the date of application, in maintaining aircraft certified and maintained in accordance to FAR 65.
3. Have a fixed base of operations.
4. Have available equipment, facilities, and inspection data (see below) necessary to properly inspect after major repair and major alteration.
5. Pass the I.A. written examination.

Acceptable Forms of Authorization:

Form 8610-1 - Mechanic's Application for Inspection Authorization. Item 14 on the form should be completed, including inspector signature, endorsement block checked, and office identification provided. NOTE: After reviewing Form 8610-1 for proper completion and endorsement, proctors shall retain the form. When the applicant has completed the test and been issued a test report, the original Form 8610-1 shall be destroyed. The testing center may retain a COPY of the form for record keeping purposes.

Failed, passing or expired Airman Test Report provided the applicant still has the ORIGINAL test report in his/her possession. (See RETESTING explanation.)

Retesting:

A 90-day waiting period is required for retesting.

Applicants taking retests AFTER FAILURE are required to submit the applicable score report indicating failure to the testing center prior to retesting. The original failed test report shall be retained by the proctor and attached to the applicable sign-in/out log. The latest test taken will reflect the official score.



Applicants retesting IN AN ATTEMPT TO ACHIEVE A HIGHER PASSING SCORE may retake the same test for a better grade after 30 days. The latest test taken will reflect the official score. Applicants are required to submit the ORIGINAL applicable score report indicating previous passing score to the testing center prior to testing. Testing center personnel must collect and destroy this report prior to issuing the new test report.

FAA Contact Info:

Atlanta FSDO
Campus Building Suite 2-110
1701 Columbia Ave.
College Park, Georgia 30337
Phone: (404) 305-7200
Fax: (404) 305-7215
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon-Fri
Office visits by appointment only

South Carolina FSDO
125-B Summer Lake Drive
West Columbia, South Carolina 29170
Phone: (803) 765-5931
Fax: (803) 253-3999
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mon-Fri
Office visits by appointment only

Atlanta Website: http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/field_offices/fsdo/atl/contact/

South Carolina Website: http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/field_offices/fsdo/cae/contact/

STEP 2: Contact Jenni West (912) 443-5341 or Melissa Crenshaw (912) 443-5336

Jenni and Melissa will register students for the Inspection Authorization classes. They will also provide instructions for payment and testing arrangements.

STEP 3: Show Up For Class.

Classes will be held either on weekends (Saturday-Sunday 8:00 am – 6:00 pm) or weeknights (Monday-Thursday 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm.). See attached schedule for tentative dates and times.

All classes will be held at the Crossroads Campus of Savannah Technical College, located at 190 Crossroads Pkwy, Ste 100, Savannah.

Costs:

The cost for the course is \$450 tuition + \$100 for the written exam, and includes 32 hours of classroom instruction; all study materials, and a guarantee to satisfy the requirements of FAR 65.91. Tuition and testing fees must be paid separately. Acceptable forms of payment include: credit/debit card, money order, personal or cashier's check payable to Savannah Technical College.

Questions about FAA sign-offs:

Mark Wishart – Instructor (912) 429-5363

Questions about registration and testing:

Jenni West – Director, Gulfstream/STC Partnership Initiatives (912) 443-5341

Melissa Crenshaw – Admissions (912) 443-5336