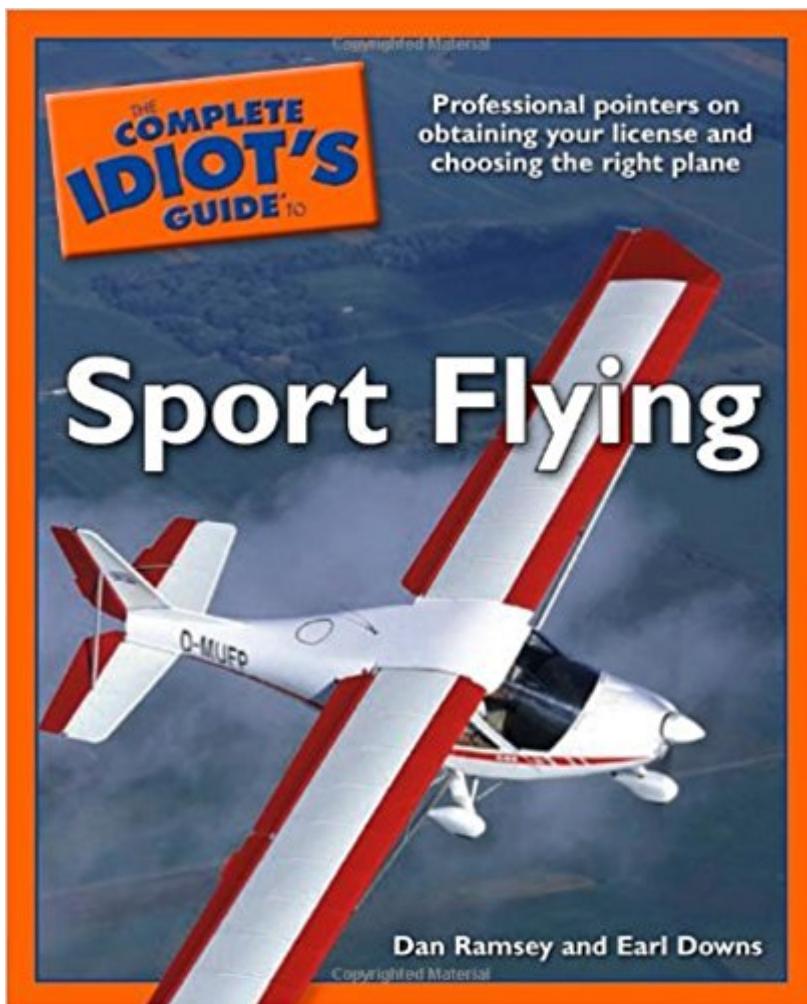


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Synopsis

Sport flying is about to take off. This summer, the Federal Aviation Administration will approve a new sport flying license that will let people earn their wings for a fraction of the time and cost of a traditional license. The Complete Idiot's Guide to Sport Flying introduces this new field of flying to consumers, and shows you how to fly smart; offering hundreds of tips on how to get more flying fun for less money. Includes an illustrated buyer's guide, rules of the air, and tips for passing the test; First book on the topic of sport flying

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One of the things on my personal bucket list was learning how to fly a plane. Not knowing very much about the subject I originally ordered a complete Private Pilot Course which cost me over

200.00. Even though the DVDs were very good, I did not find it very helpful and it did not cover Sport Flying. After researching the subject on line I discovered this manual and now wish I never spent the \$235.00 on that other course. This is an excellent basic guide for anyone interested in flying as a recreational activity. Do not be misled by the title. This manual goes into great detail on Sport Flying. The nineteen chapters (and 316 pages) cover the following: Explaining the new sport flying activity, How planes fly, rules of the air, ground school, flying at home, into the wild blue yonder, preflight operations, pattern flying, solo flying, cross-country flying, passing the test, expanding your horizons, flying higher, choosing your sport plane, finding your sport plane, buying your sport plane, sharing your sports plane, building your sport plane and maintaining your sport plane. In conclusion, if you are thinking about taking flying lessons to become a sport pilot, you need this book. If you intend to take lessons from a flight school or instructor, this book will help you learn the material required to pass the written examination. Rating: 5 Stars. Joseph J. Truncale (Author: Predator Hunter: A Warrior's Memoir)

Speaking as someone who started taking private pilot lessons 25 years ago but never completed them, I am very pleased with this book. I am considering getting my sport pilot license now as I've always wanted to fly and can finally afford to with the creating of the Sport pilot certificate. This book covers all the basics needed to enter into this endeavor with my eyes wide open. I would recommend it to anyone that is thinking about flying, but is not quite ready to commit to the ground school course or the actual lessons yet. This book will teach you the basic fundamentals of why a plane flies and what it will take to get you into the air. This is not an instruction manual, but it will skim over much of the material covered in the FAA ground school course as well as information on actually taking your flight test and everything in between. It is well written without getting too technical for the beginning enthusiast, yet if you have some experience with aircraft it will not bore you either. The book is full of many tips and tidbits that you might otherwise never come across during your actual training. I thoroughly enjoyed reading it and am now sure that the sport pilot certificate is right for me and plan to jump headlong into it. Once reading this book you will have a pretty good idea whether flying is for you or not. Of course the only way to know for sure is to find a reputable flight school and take one of their introductory flights. Anyway, if you are thinking that you might be interested in flying for a fraction of the cost and half the instruction time of the private pilot certificate, then pick up a copy of this book and check out the wonderful world of sport flying. and above all, have fun with it.

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A great primer on sport flying. Some information is out of date, but by and large it is a highly useful book and is must-reading for anyone toying with the notion of taking flying lessons be it for sport pilot or even for private pilot.

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