



## Safety Brief #105 Mountain Training template/requirements (7/15/2024)

CFI Teamsters,

As you all know we do establish with all renters that “If you want to fly into the mountains, a mountain checkout is required”. I believe we have lost the link to this statement and to information on this subject on our website, it will be fixed asap.

Keeping it simple:

- “Mountain Flight” is considered anything west of the continental divide in Colorado and really should be “anything above a terrain elevation of 10,000ft.
- A template/guideline/reference for “what does a Mountain checkout entail” has existed since 2016 but seems we don’t have it well visible anymore.
  - o This is being resolved in the form of ensuring our rental agreement references a checkout, the website, and our SOP that is still in process.
  - o Here is what we have used since 2016, feel free to share with students etc:  
<http://www.mattbeyer.com/files/Matts-MountainFlying.pdf>
- “How many hours is a mountain checkout” is a hard question, read the document and add up the numbers based on if the student has specific additions on their goals.
- When we meet with new students or checkouts or.... its always a good idea to be asking about what type of flying they would be doing now and in the future. This is a nice way to build a future of flight training for your students either it be a new aircraft checkout, high wing low wing, mountain, ...etc
  - o And the main point: If anyone references an interest or a future idea of flight into the mountains, please ensure to remind them they require “a mountain checkout” before flight.
- Instructors that are not ‘checked out’ in the mountains....add it to your list of things to do as it would great for you to be able to provide such training to your students.

Thanks, feel free to share or forward.

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