

FAA Pilot Medical Exams

Second-Class & Third-Class Medical Examinations - \$250

Effective August 17, 2026

AeroMed Exams offers FAA Second-Class and Third-Class pilot medical examinations performed by Dr. Schumer, an FAA-designated Aviation Medical Examiner (AME).

Examination & Appointment Fees

FAA Medical Examination: \$250

Appointment Deposit: \$50 nonrefundable deposit required to secure your appointment

Balance Due at Examination: \$200

The \$50 appointment deposit is applied toward your \$250 examination fee when you arrive for your scheduled appointment.

Have Medical Questions or Concerns Before Scheduling?

15-Minute Phone Consultation with Dr. Schumer - \$50

If you have a medical condition, take medication, have had surgery or hospitalization, receive ongoing treatment, or are unsure whether your medical history may require additional FAA documentation, you may schedule a **15-minute phone consultation with Dr. Schumer before your examination.**

Discussing potential concerns beforehand may help identify medical records, physician reports, testing or other documentation that you should obtain **before your FAA medical examination**, giving you more time to prepare and helping to avoid unnecessary delays.

A consultation does not guarantee issuance of an FAA medical certificate and is not a substitute for the FAA medical examination.

Important Payment Policy

The **\$50 appointment deposit is nonrefundable.** This includes cancellations, missed appointments, incomplete or expired MedXPress applications, and circumstances in which a medical certificate cannot be issued at the time of your appointment.

Once your FAA medical examination has been performed, the **full \$250 examination fee is nonrefundable**, including if your application must be deferred to the FAA for further review.

The \$250 fee is for the professional services associated with conducting and processing your FAA medical examination. **Payment of the examination fee does not guarantee issuance of an FAA medical certificate.**

Some medical conditions require FAA review or mandatory deferral even when an applicant has provided complete and accurate information and all requested documentation.

Before Your Appointment: MedXPress

Before your examination, you must complete and submit **FAA Form 8500-8 through MedXPress** and provide your MedXPress confirmation number.

Your MedXPress Application Is Available for 60 Days

Once you submit your MedXPress application, an Aviation Medical Examiner must access/import the application **within 60 days.**

If an AME does not access the application within that period, the application will be deleted from the MedXPress system and you will need to submit a new application.

It is your responsibility to keep this 60-day timeframe in mind when completing MedXPress and scheduling your medical examination.

We recommend that you do not submit your MedXPress application too far in advance of your scheduled appointment.

Complete & Accurate Disclosure Is Your Responsibility

Please complete your MedXPress application **carefully, completely and truthfully**.

FAA Form 8500-8 requires applicants to disclose medical history, medications, healthcare visits and other information requested on the application.

This may include current and previous:

- Medical conditions and diagnoses
- Prescription and nonprescription medications
- Physician and healthcare-provider visits
- Surgeries and procedures
- Hospitalizations
- Mental health diagnoses, treatment and medications
- Sleep disorders, including sleep apnea
- Diabetes and other endocrine conditions
- Heart and cardiovascular conditions
- High blood pressure
- Neurologic conditions
- Substance-related history
- Other medical history required by FAA Form 8500-8

Do not assume that a condition, medication, surgery or treatment is too old or insignificant to disclose.

Answer each MedXPress question according to the wording and timeframe specified by the FAA.

Failure to provide required information may prevent Dr. Schumer from issuing your medical certificate at your appointment and may result in additional documentation being required or your application being deferred to the FAA.

Have a Medical Condition or Take Medication?

Please Contact Us Before Your Appointment

If you have a current or previous medical condition, take medications, have undergone surgery or hospitalization, or have other medical history that may require FAA review, **please contact AeroMed Exams before your appointment whenever possible.**

Many medical conditions and medications have specific FAA certification requirements.

Depending upon your individual medical history and applicable FAA requirements, documentation may include:

- A current, detailed Clinical Progress Note from your treating physician or specialist
- Specialist consultation or evaluation reports

- Hospital records and discharge summaries
- Operative or procedure reports
- Laboratory results
- Diagnostic testing
- Radiology reports and other testing when required
- Medication and treatment history
- Condition-specific FAA status reports, worksheets or evaluations
- Documentation required under an existing FAA Special Issuance Authorization
- Other medical records requested by the AME or FAA

The exact documentation required depends upon the condition and current FAA policy.

A Patient Portal Summary May Not Be Enough

For many conditions, the FAA requires an actual **current and detailed Clinical Progress Note** from the treating physician or specialist.

An After Visit Summary (AVS), patient portal printout or brief summary may not contain all of the information required by the FAA.

Obtaining the correct documentation **before your examination** can help prevent avoidable delays in medical certification.

What Happens Once Dr. Schumer Accesses Your Application?

Once your FAA medical examination has been performed, FAA timelines apply.

If review of your MedXPress application or your examination identifies a need for additional medical records, testing, physician reports or other documentation, **it is your responsibility to obtain the requested information and provide it to our office promptly.**

An AME generally must transmit the examination to the FAA **within 14 days of the examination.**

If information necessary for the certification decision is not received within the applicable timeframe, Dr. Schumer cannot keep the examination open indefinitely while waiting for records. The examination may need to be transmitted to the FAA as **deferred for further review.**

Please do not wait until the end of this period to request records. Physicians, hospitals and other healthcare facilities may require several days or longer to provide documentation.

What Does “Deferred to the FAA” Mean?

A deferral does **not necessarily mean that your FAA medical certificate has been denied.**

A deferral means that Dr. Schumer cannot issue the medical certificate at the time of your examination and the application must be sent to the FAA for further review and a certification decision.

A deferral may occur because:

- FAA policy requires the medical condition to be reviewed by the FAA
- Additional medical documentation or testing is required
- The AME does not have sufficient information to determine eligibility
- A medication or medical condition requires additional FAA review

- Other information on the application or examination requires FAA evaluation

Some medical conditions require mandatory FAA deferral regardless of how complete your documentation may be.

Examination Fees Following a Deferral

The **\$250 examination fee remains nonrefundable if your application is deferred to the FAA.**

A deferral does not mean that the examination was not completed. The examination fee covers the professional services associated with performing and processing your FAA medical examination; **it is not a fee for the issuance of a medical certificate.**

Help Us Help You Avoid an Unnecessary Delay

The best time to identify a potential FAA medical certification issue is **before your appointment.**

If you have questions about a medical condition, medication, surgery, hospitalization, mental health treatment or other medical history that could potentially affect your FAA medical certification, please contact AeroMed Exams before your scheduled examination.

Not Sure Whether This Applies to You?

Consider scheduling a **15-minute phone consultation with Dr. Schumer for \$50 before your examination.**

Addressing potential issues beforehand may give you time to obtain necessary medical records, testing, physician documentation or other information **before the FAA examination timeline begins.**

Preparing in advance may help prevent avoidable delays and may allow Dr. Schumer to issue your medical certificate at your appointment **when permitted under FAA policy.**

Please Remember

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Balance at Appointment: \$200

Phone Consultation: 15 minutes with Dr. Schumer - \$50

MedXPress: Complete FAA Form 8500-8 and provide your confirmation number

60-Day Requirement: Your submitted MedXPress application must be accessed/imported by an AME within 60 days

Medical History: Complete and accurate disclosure is your responsibility

Documentation: Contact us before your appointment if you have medical conditions, medications or other potentially relevant medical history

After Your Examination: Provide any requested documentation promptly because FAA transmission deadlines apply

FAA Deferral: The \$250 examination fee remains nonrefundable if your application is deferred

Certification: Payment for an examination does not guarantee issuance of an FAA medical certificate

Important FAA Information Disclaimer

FAA regulations, policies, medical certification requirements, and guidance are subject to change. Information provided by AeroMed Exams is intended to assist applicants in preparing for their FAA medical examination and does not replace current FAA regulations or guidance. Current FAA requirements and policies control.