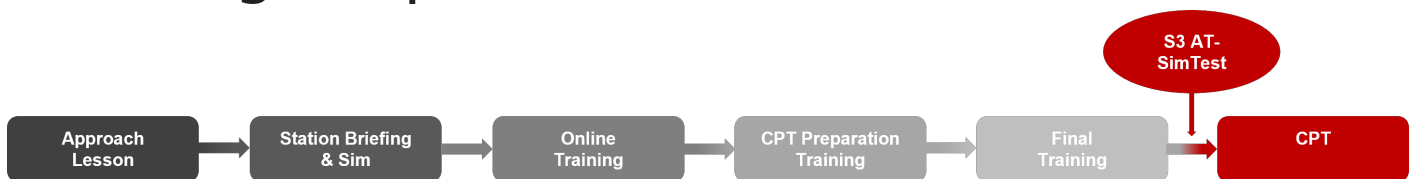# S3 Training (APP)

General

The training on Approach takes place either in EDDS/Stuttgart or EDDF/Frankfurt. The final decision on this is made by the mentor responsible for the Approach Lesson.

> The solo phase for approach lasts a maximum of only 3 months. Since this period is very short, it is important to use the solo phase efficiently. If you know that you will not be able to use part of the solo phase for personal reasons, please inform the responsible mentor during the Approach Lesson, so that we can plan the solo start accordingly.

Training Steps

Approach Lesson

Requirements

- Experience on tower, especially routine with heavy traffic
- A mentor has contacted you regarding an Approach Lesson.
- You have carefully studied the Approach Study Guide.

Contents

- Airspace Classes / Structure
- Identification /Handoff
- Barometry Basics
- Separation
- IFR approaches
- Speed Control
- IFR departures
- Flight rule change / Airspace C/D Crossings
- Coordination with other stations

- Holdings
- Choice of the training airport

After the approach lesson please request an introduction training in the forum.

Station Briefing and 1. Sim

Requirements

- Contents of the Approach Lesson
- Very good knowledge of the relevant SOP
- Very good knowledge of the departure and arrival routes at your training airport
- A mentor has contacted you regarding your training

Contents

- Theoretical instruction on the training station (EDDF/S_APP)
- First practical experience on Approach in the simulator

2. Sim

Requirements

- A mentor has contacted you regarding your training
- You have prepared the following theory:
  - IFR Pickup
  - IFR Cancelation
  - C-Crossing
  - Holdings
  - Low visibility procedures

Online Training

Requirements

- A mentor has contacted you regarding your training
- You have prepared the following theory:
  - NVFR
  - SVFR
  - Coordination
- You have booked the station with Training=Yes as soon as the training date is confirmed.
  If there is a booking conflict, contact your mentor

Contents

Together with a mentor, you will occupy the position EDDF_N_APP and control under his guidance.

If you have the necessary theoretical knowledge and practical skills to deal with the usual larger traffic volumes and "VFR specials", you will receive the S2 solo phase. Otherwise further sessions in the simulator will follow until you are ready.

The solo phase runs for **only 30 days!** Towards the end of these 30 days, you should have gained enough experience (also with larger traffic volumes) to request a CPT preparation training. The Solophase can be extended a **maximum of two times** for further 30 days. This period cannot be extended even after a failed CPT.

Take care that your Solophase will be extended in time and that your first CPT attempt will be in the first extension! If you have not earned an S3 rating by the end of the second extension, you will, unfortunately, have to cancel the training on Approach and take a 30-day break. Without Solophase you have no right to control Approach with an S2-Rating.

CPT Preparation Training

Requirements

- You have a good routine for dealing with "normal" traffic situations
- You have reviewed all theory you have learned throughout your training
- A mentor has contacted you regarding your training

Contents

Usually, two CPT preparation trainings are conducted in the simulator. Take the opportunity to listen to other trainings! If the mentor is satisfied with your performance and your theoretical knowledge, he will give you the "go" for your final training.

Please make sure that you have controlled **at least 30 hours at your exam airport**.

Final Training

Requirements

- You have controlled at least 30 hours at your exam airport
- Your mentor has given you the "go" for the final training
- You have booked the station with Training=Yes as soon as the training date is confirmed. If there is a booking conflict, contact your mentor

Contents

You will occupy the examination station under the supervision of a mentor to show that you are ready for your CPT.

The mentor might notice a few things that you could do better that didn't show up in the simulator.

If the mentor is satisfied with your performance, he will give you the "Go" for the CPT. He then makes an appointment with you and applies for your CPT. With your CPT application, the ATSimTest will be activated.

ATSimTest S3

Requirements

- Your mentor has given you the "go" for your CPT
- Read the training material on vateud.net / Training / ATC Training. Here you will find all information you need to pass the ATSimTest.
- If you have further questions about the contents of the ATSimTest, please contact one of the mentors.

> The ATSimTest must be completed and passed before starting the CPT. Otherwise, the exam cannot take place!

CPT

Requirements

- Your mentor gave you the "go" for the CPT
- You have passed the ATSimTest
- You have booked the station for a duration of 1 hour (times in UTC!)
- In the [STAFFING/BOOKING] RG Frankfurt ATC Coverage Thread you have left a note that you want to do a CPT at that time.
- Your mentor or the Lead Mentor will request an examiner at the ATC Training Department.

  If your CPT can take place, you will see this in the thread Bestätigte Controller CPTs.
- All CPTs held on a day other than Friday must be advertised. You can request your advertisement in the following thread: [CPT] Request für CPT-Werbung (The leading mentor has the final say in whether the CPT should be advertised).
- Please organize a replacement yourself, e.g. by creating a thread in the forum section of the RG Frankfurt or by asking for it in the Staffing/Booking Thread.

Contents

In the CPT you show two examiners (ATD examiner and local assessor) that you have mastered the approach position. All contents of the approach training are relevant for the exam.

> **Tip:** control safely and exactly the way you learned it. Don't try to control the traffic overly cautiously, nor do try to get out to all limits and beyond - the examiners only want to see that you can handle the traffic volume well and as confidently as possible. A perfect CPT is therefore very boring for the examiners to watch. If you should have a major mishap or it's just not your day at all, don't be too disappointed about a failed CPT - of course, you have (mostly after a new CPT preparation training) another try.

After passing CPT, you will apply for the S3 rating. With the rating upgrade to S3, you get the clearance to occupy all minor airports in Germany and to be assigned to major airports.

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