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Mission Statement

Era Training Center is dedicated to providing the highest quality helicopter training services for industry-wide safety and excellence.

In today's market, there is no substitute for professionalism, and Era Training Center's people are dedicated to being the best in the business.

Our training programs enable pilots to better meet their operating certificate and their operating customer requirements. We offer cost effective training with the use of advanced flight training devices and are insurance industry approved.

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ETC Overview

Era Training Center LLC (ETC) is an FAA approved CFR Part 142 Training Center. The FSTDs (Flight Simulator Training Devices) located at the Center are qualified by the National Simulator Program of the FAA as Advanced Level 6 Devices, and the training programs are Insurance Industry approved. The Center has Designated Pilot Examiners, Training Center Evaluators and FAA authorized Check Airmen on staff. ETC can offer aircraft from Era Helicopters' diverse fleet.

FSTD's

Era Training Center features two of the finest Level 6 FSTDs available anywhere: the AS350B2 and the EC135 CPDS P2+.

These FSTDs are exact cockpit replicas of the respective make and model helicopter. The instructor's station is located behind the pilot's seat, where varying degrees of aircraft performance, weather, time of day, geographic areas, specific scenarios and aircraft malfunctions can be simulated. The training devices have been custom made by Frasca International, Inc., a well-known provider of flight training equipment for airlines, flight schools, universities and military organizations worldwide.

When training on these advanced FSTDs, professionals will earn specific credits for flight time and maneuvers accomplished to count toward additional pilot certificates and flight-currency requirements.

Within the Center, there are debriefing offices for each FSTD where flight lessons can be reviewed in detail, with playback of the flights to facilitate a higher level of crew understanding and proficiency. The debriefing offices use the Frasca Debriefing Station (FDS) software, which provides information on unfamiliar airports, instrument procedures and operating environments prior to flight lessons.

Instructors

Good is not good enough. Era Training Center employs only the best instructors in the industry. All ETC instructors are Certified Flight Instructors (CFI) and Certified Flight Instructors Instrument (CFII). Line pilots first and foremost, they have a wide range of operating experience and extensive instructional backgrounds from one of two areas: former Military Instructor Pilot/Standardization Pilot and Certified Flight Instructor/Instrument Flight Instructor from civilian flight schools. As subject matter experts (SMEs), they are experienced in teaching and evaluating students in classrooms and on FSTDs, Full Flight Simulators (FFSs) and aircraft.



Facilities

Era Training Center features state-of-the-art electronic classrooms to facilitate student interaction and high levels of comprehension and understanding. The classrooms have been specifically tailored to accommodate various group sizes and training requirements. ETC offers everything from a formal conference room with video conferencing, to a classroom equipped with computer stations for interactive student software. There is also space available to support large groups of up to 30 people.

The front reception area features a cozy sitting area with a large flatscreen television that displays live footage of simulators in action, and a transient office where Internet service is available. A kitchen and break area is also available, which includes: complimentary coffee, soft drinks, filtered water and standard kitchen amenities.

The Center has two helipads and a large flyaway to support Era Group aircraft utilized for training. Era Helicopters' diverse fleet of aircraft currently includes makes and models from a variety of manufacturers, including Agusta, Bell, Eurocopter and Sikorsky.



Location

The Training Center is located at Lake Charles Regional Airport, where full instrument, and approach and departure services are available. Local airlines operate in and out of Lake Charles, which creates easy access from either Houston George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) or Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW).

ETC Receives Rave Reviews...

"At Metro Aviation we send all our rotor wing pilots to Era Training Center for various training courses in the EC135 and AS350 FSTDs. The service and quality of training is excellent and has definitely improved the overall quality of our flight operations. I would highly recommend Era Training Center to anyone that desires quality rotor wing training."

**Paul Morrow, Chief Pilot
- Metro Aviation**



More Raves for ETC...

“In the fall of 2008, Air Logistics LLC began using the Era Training Center to accomplish training needs for the EC135. The staff at the Era Training Center have been very courteous and helpful. The classrooms and overall facilities are very clean and have been useful. The Era EC135 FSTD has been very reliable and, to date, we have neither had to reschedule, nor cancel any training because of the device being unavailable. From my past experience, I would highly recommend using the Era Training Center for any future training needs.”

Kent Dekerlegand, Director of Training - Bristow US, LLC

Credit

The Center offers Operators several choices for completing their training requirements:

- On completion of the Instructor Operators Course (IOS), the Company can dry lease FSTD time and complete its training program within its current instructor cadre.
- Utilize the 142 Center courses as an approved Contract Training Provider on the Operator's operating specifications.
- Utilize portions or segments of the Operator's approved courses, and contract the Center's instructors to complete the training and/or evaluating, as approved by the Operator's Principle Operations Inspector.

The primary curricula utilize academics and the FSTD, with the final evaluation conducted in the actual aircraft. Prior to evaluation, each event or task is completed to proficiency in the aircraft. The curricula can be segmented to provide the training elements as desired by the Operator; i.e. ETC completes the academics and training within the FSTD, and the Operator completes final aircraft training and checking (or any combination thereof). Throughout the FSTD training, proficiency is gained, while total aircraft training time is reduced by approximately 75%. A pilot completing initial training in an aircraft utilizing an FSTD drastically reduces the amount of “dead time” in the actual aircraft when dealing with the basic tasks of learning the start-up, run-up, pre-flight testing procedures, autopilot/flight director procedures, and shut-down procedures.

Also, a pilot that has performed every normal and emergency maneuver in the FSTD has the benefit of knowing how the aircraft will react before performing the same maneuvers in the actual aircraft. Emergency procedure training can be practiced and perfected in an FSTD for both a single pilot and crewed environment before a blade on the actual aircraft is ever turned.



Mission Specific

Most importantly, the Center can assist in design and implementation of Line Operational Simulations, including Line-Oriented Flight Training (LOFT), Special Purpose Operational Training, and Line Operational Flight Evaluation. LOFT is a useful training method because it gives crewmembers the opportunity to practice line operations (e.g., maneuvers, operating skills, systems operations, and the operator's procedures) with a full crew in a realistic environment. Crewmembers learn to handle a variety of scripted real-time scenarios, which include routine, abnormal, and emergency situations. They also learn and practice cockpit resource management skills, including crew coordination, judgment, decision making, and communication skills. The overall objective of LOFT is to improve total flight crew performance, thereby preventing incidents and accidents during operational flying.



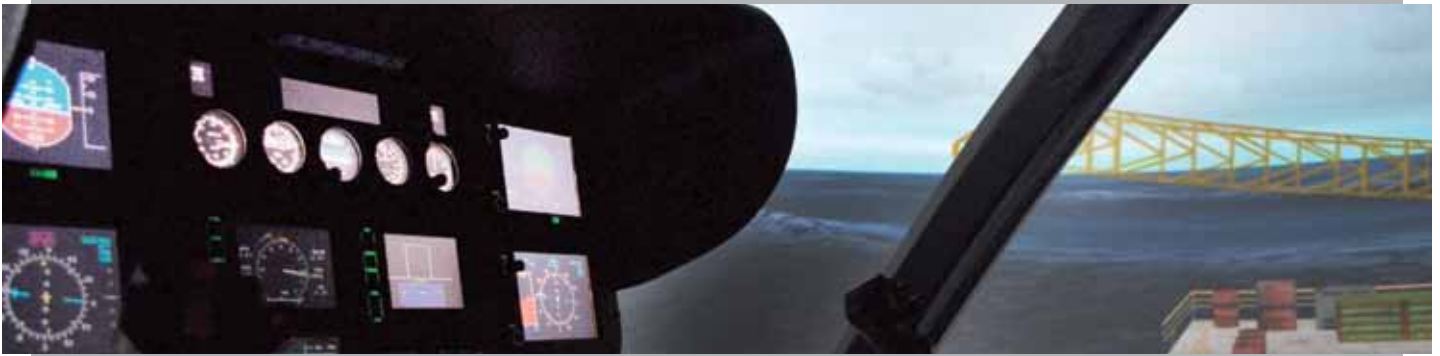
Specific LOFT scenarios are built into the Operator's tailored lesson plans for various missions, which include:

- Single Pilot VFR with preference on Unusual Attitude and IIMC recoveryzSingle Pilot VFR- EMS- OFFSHORE- ENG- UTILITY- CORPORATE- LAW ENFORCEMENT, IFR with local area SIAPS and
- operating authorizations
- Crewed Pilot VFR and IFR, to include above, with emphasis on crew coordination and communications
- Initial and recurrent aircraft
- Initial and recurrent IFR

Visual System

The visual system utilizes TruVision™ Global featuring worldwide coverage at a base map level. This base map includes over 10,000 runways, coastlines, representative terrain, rivers, roads, and more, which allows the pilot to "fly" anywhere in the world and view representative terrain and runways in each area. TruVision™ Global features include: variable time of day, sun/moon/star models, wave or sea state simulation and urban lighting.





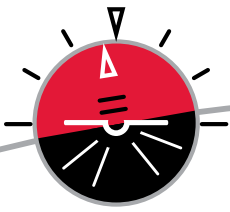
FSTD Benefits

Generally, as a common practice, a 75% / 25% rule is recommended; 75% in the FSTD and 25% in the aircraft. By utilizing Era Training Center, and packaging the course to include FSTDs with Aircraft, there are several benefits that can be directly attributed to the bottom line:

- **ETC can provide the turn key training package from recordkeeping, pilot training and pilot evaluating, which results in:**
 - Providing less instructor staffing requirements to maintain pilot training requirements
 - Lower total training costs
 - Increased operational aircraft availability
- **Use the FSTD to accomplish portions of the course curricula, which greatly reduces the aircraft training time and results in:**
 - Lower total training costs
 - Reducing training time in aircraft resulting in increased operational availability
 - Better pilot proficiency and competencies by completing abnormal and emergency maneuvers that cannot, or should not, be completed in the aircraft, reducing risk and potential flight training incident, and accident
 - Enhanced pilot decision making process by training on structured LOFT lesson plans which can reduce potential of incident or accident

Era Training Center remains flexible to tailor the program package to meet the specific needs of the customer. It is the intent of ETC to sit down with the company's Training Manager to review the curricula and syllabus proposed, change as necessary, and assist in any regulatory approvals.





ETC Course Offerings

FAA - CFR 142 Approved

AS350B2 - Initial and Recurrent Ground, FTD and Flight
EC135 CPDS P2/P2+ - Initial and Recurrent Ground, FTD and Flight
AS350B2 - Airline Transport Pilot (ATP)
EC135 CPDS P2 - Airline Transport Pilot (ATP)
Instrument Proficiency Check (61.57 d)

Additional Courses Available...

Pilot

A109 initial and Recurrent (Aircraft)
A119 Initial and Recurrent (Aircraft)
AW139 Initial and Recurrent (Simulator and Aircraft)
BO 105 Initial and Recurrent (Aircraft)
EC 225 Initial and Recurrent (Customer Furnished Aircraft)
S61 Initial and Recurrent (Aircraft)
S76 Initial and Recurrent (Simulator and Aircraft)
Biannual Flight Review
CFR Part 135 Operator POI Approved Courses
Instrument Training Refresher
Specialty Courses Specifically Designed for Customers Needs

Technician

A119 Airframe Maintenance Course
AS350 Airframe Maintenance Course
AW139 Airframe Maintenance Course - Coming Soon

** Course availability subject to change. Please visit our website at www.eratrainingcenter.com for the most current course information.*



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