

SkyWest Pre-Entrance Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. The state of Vermont is associated with which time zone in the material?**
 - A. Eastern Time Zone**
 - B. Atlantic Time Zone**
 - C. Central Time Zone**
 - D. Hawaii-Aleutian Time Zone**

- 2. Massachusetts Time Zone is given as which option in the material?**
 - A. Central Time Zone**
 - B. Eastern Time Zone**
 - C. Mountain Time Zone**
 - D. Pacific Time Zone**

- 3. FFDO stands for?**
 - A. Federal Air Marshal**
 - B. Federal Aviation Regulation**
 - C. Federal Flight Deck Officer**
 - D. First Aid Kit**

- 4. Flight Time is defined as which of the following?**
 - A. The time spent on the plane before departure.**
 - B. The time from arrival to baggage claim.**
 - C. The total flight duration including delays.**
 - D. The actual elapsed time from departure to arrival for purposes of pay.**

- 5. Nevada is in which time zone?**
 - A. Mountain Time Zone**
 - B. Central Time Zone**
 - C. Pacific Time Zone**
 - D. Eastern Time Zone**

- 6. Which term refers to the readiness period a reserve crew member maintains while on stand-by status at a designated airport?**
- A. Ready Reserve**
 - B. Reserve Status**
 - C. Reserve Line**
 - D. Round Trip**
- 7. New Mexico observes which time zone?**
- A. Mountain Time Zone**
 - B. Pacific Time Zone**
 - C. Central Time Zone**
 - D. Eastern Time Zone**
- 8. Which term describes the time spent by a reserve crewmember on stand-by status at an airport designated by the Company?**
- A. Unaccompanied Minor (UMNR)**
 - B. Ready Reserve**
 - C. Reserve Status**
 - D. Reserve Line**
- 9. ASAP stands for which program?**
- A. Aviation Safety Action Program**
 - B. American Eagle**
 - C. Automated Briefing System**
 - D. Air Safety Action Plan**
- 10. Vermont observes which time zone?**
- A. Atlantic Time Zone**
 - B. Central Time Zone**
 - C. Mountain Time Zone**
 - D. Eastern Time Zone**

Answers

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1. A
2. B
3. C
4. D
5. C
6. A
7. A
8. B
9. A
10. D

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Explanations

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1. The state of Vermont is associated with which time zone in the material?

- A. Eastern Time Zone**
- B. Atlantic Time Zone**
- C. Central Time Zone**
- D. Hawaii-Aleutian Time Zone**

Time zones group regions that share the same clock time, and Vermont sits in the eastern part of the United States, placing it in the Eastern Time Zone. In standard time it's UTC-5 (Eastern Standard Time), and during daylight saving time it shifts to UTC-4 (Eastern Daylight Time). The other options cover different parts of the country or world (Atlantic Time is mainly further east in Canada and some Atlantic regions, Central Time is farther west with UTC-6, and Hawaii-Aleutian Time is far to the west with UTC-10). So Vermont aligns with the Eastern Time Zone.

2. Massachusetts Time Zone is given as which option in the material?

- A. Central Time Zone**
- B. Eastern Time Zone**
- C. Mountain Time Zone**
- D. Pacific Time Zone**

Massachusetts sits on the East Coast, so it follows the Eastern Time Zone. In standard time this is Eastern Standard Time (UTC-5), and in daylight saving time it becomes Eastern Daylight Time (UTC-4). The other zones—Central, Mountain, and Pacific—are progressively farther west and run one hour behind Eastern Time. So Massachusetts is correctly labeled Eastern Time Zone, which explains why it is ahead of those other zones by one hour (adjusting for daylight saving in the same way).

3. FFDO stands for?

- A. Federal Air Marshal**
- B. Federal Aviation Regulation**
- C. Federal Flight Deck Officer**
- D. First Aid Kit**

FFDO stands for Federal Flight Deck Officer. This refers to a program that authorizes qualified pilots to carry a firearm in the cockpit to enhance security. It's a distinct security role from the Federal Air Marshal, which refers to in-flight security personnel, not a cockpit-only officer; Federal Aviation Regulation, which denotes the rules themselves; and First Aid Kit, which is just medical supplies on board. So the correct expansion identifies a specific flight crew security role rather than a regulation or other program.

4. Flight Time is defined as which of the following?

- A. The time spent on the plane before departure.
- B. The time from arrival to baggage claim.
- C. The total flight duration including delays.
- D. The actual elapsed time from departure to arrival for purposes of pay.**

Flight time is the actual time the aircraft is in the air, from wheels up (takeoff) to wheels down (landing). This is the measure airlines use for pay because it reflects the period the crew is actively flying the leg, not time spent sitting on the ground before departure or after landing. So the definition that describes flight time as the elapsed time from departure to arrival for pay purposes best captures this idea. Time spent before departure on the plane is preflight time; time after landing until baggage claim is ground handling; a duration that includes delays would be broader than flight time, often referred to as block time or total trip time.

5. Nevada is in which time zone?

- A. Mountain Time Zone
- B. Central Time Zone
- C. Pacific Time Zone**
- D. Eastern Time Zone

Time zones follow the longitudinal location of a state, and Nevada sits in the Pacific Time Zone. That means it uses Pacific Standard Time in the winter and Pacific Daylight Time in the summer, the same as California and most of the U.S. West Coast. The other zones are farther east, which would place clocks a different amount of time ahead, so they don't fit Nevada's geographic position.

6. Which term refers to the readiness period a reserve crew member maintains while on stand-by status at a designated airport?

- A. Ready Reserve**
- B. Reserve Status
- C. Reserve Line
- D. Round Trip

Ready Reserve describes the readiness period a reserve crew member maintains while on stand-by at a designated airport. It means the crew member is at or near the airport and remains in a heightened state of readiness to be dispatched within a defined short window set by the carrier. This arrangement ensures rapid coverage during irregular operations like delays or cancellations. The others don't specify this time-bound readiness: Reserve Status is too generic, Reserve Line refers to a scheduled block of trips, and Round Trip denotes an itinerary rather than a standby readiness status.

7. New Mexico observes which time zone?

- A. Mountain Time Zone**
- B. Pacific Time Zone**
- C. Central Time Zone**
- D. Eastern Time Zone**

New Mexico sits in the Mountain Time Zone because of its location in the southwestern United States, in the same general area as other Rocky Mountain states. In standard time it uses Mountain Standard Time (UTC-7), and during daylight saving time it switches to Mountain Daylight Time (UTC-6). This places New Mexico ahead of Pacific Time states to the west and behind Central and Eastern Time zones to the east. The Pacific Time Zone covers states on the west coast, Central Time covers the central band of states, and Eastern Time covers the easternmost states, so Mountain Time is the correct designation for New Mexico.

8. Which term describes the time spent by a reserve crewmember on stand-by status at an airport designated by the Company?

- A. Unaccompanied Minor (UMNR)**
- B. Ready Reserve**
- C. Reserve Status**
- D. Reserve Line**

Ready Reserve is the term used for the time a reserve crewmember spends at a company-designated airport, standing by and ready to be called for a trip. This status means you're physically at the airport and available to cover flights on short notice, rather than being on a general home on-call period. The description in the question matches that scenario exactly: the crew member is at a specific airport and waiting to be assigned a flight. Unaccompanied Minor is about passengers traveling alone, so it doesn't apply. Reserve Status is too vague, and Reserve Line implies a pre-scheduled line of reserve duty, which isn't the same as simply being on standby at the designated airport.

9. ASAP stands for which program?

- A. Aviation Safety Action Program**
- B. American Eagle**
- C. Automated Briefing System**
- D. Air Safety Action Plan**

ASAP is the Aviation Safety Action Program, a collaborative safety initiative between the FAA and airline employees that encourages voluntary, confidential reporting of safety concerns or events. The goal is to collect data, analyze safety trends, and implement corrective actions without punishing the person who reports, promoting a just culture and proactive safety improvements. The other options don't fit because one is the name of a carrier, another isn't a recognized safety-reporting program, and the last is not the official term used for this program.

10. Vermont observes which time zone?

- A. Atlantic Time Zone**
- B. Central Time Zone**
- C. Mountain Time Zone**
- D. Eastern Time Zone**

Time zones in the United States place Vermont in the Eastern Time Zone. This means standard time is Eastern Standard Time (UTC-5) and during daylight saving time it becomes Eastern Daylight Time (UTC-4). Vermont is in the eastern part of the country, so it aligns with nearby states and major east coast cities that follow the same time pattern. The other zones cover areas farther west or regions outside Vermont's location, so they don't apply here.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

Or visit your dedicated course page for more study tools and resources:

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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