ATC Clearance	Private Certificate or student with endorsement	Yes	Yes within 30 nm of the class B primary airport ¹	3 miles	3 miles	Clear of Clouds
VFR: Radio Contact IFR: Clearance	Student Certificate	Yes	Yes within C space and above lateral limits of C space ¹	3 miles	3 miles	500 below 1,000 above 2,000 horizonta
VFR: Radio Contact IFR: Clearance	Student Certificate	Yes	No unless required by other airspace	3 miles	3 miles	500 below 1,000 above 2,000 horizonta
VFR: None IFR: Clearance	Student Certificate	IFR only	No unless required by other airspace	3 miles	5 miles	500 below 1,000 above 2,000 horizonta
None	Student Certificate	No	No unless required by other airspace	Day: 1 mile Night: 3 miles	5 miles²	500 below 1,000 above 2,000 horizonta
•	transponder is require L or below: DAY: 1 m	,		s visibility, 500 below, 1	,000 above, 2,000 ho	orizontal.

Altitude

Decoding

Transponder

Yes

Airspace

Class

A

В

C

D

E

Entry

Requirement

ATC Clearance

Pilot Certificate

or Rating

Instrument

Two-Wav

Communication

Yes

VFR

Min. Visibility

Below 10,000 MSL

N/A

VFR Min. Visibility

10.000 MSL

N/A

and Above

VFR Cloud

Clearance Below

10,000 MSL

N/A

VFR Cloud

Clearance 10,000

MSL and Above

Clear of Clouds

500 below 1,000 above

2.000 horizontal

500 below 1,000 above

2,000 horizontal 1.000 below 1,000 above

1 mile horizontal

1,000 above

N/A

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