

# Color vision testing for Pilots

- There is a 2 or 3 part (depending on pilot class) functional test performed at Flight Standards District Offices.
- Everyone must take and pass an OCVT (occupational color vision test) consisting of chart reading and a signal light test.
- For Class 1 and 2, a Medical Flight Test is required. This test requires going up in a plane with a Flight Standards Inspector who will takes the pilot through specific testing.
- The pilot only gets one shot to take these tests, if they fail any part, they will have a permanent restriction on their flight certificate that limits them to only flying during daylight hours.
- The online link for Decision Considerations regarding Color Vision in Aerospace Medicine can be found on the [Guide for Aviation Medical Examiners](#) (faa.gov)
- See also:

Color vision testing instruments and details

[tests](#)

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