



## Illini Glider Club Tow Pilot Requirements As of 7/15/2006

Becoming a tow pilot is easier than you might think. With the right experience we can sign you up right now.

### Insurance Company Requirements

The people insured to tow gliders in our Pawnee are,

- **Any member of the club with:** 250 hrs. PIC in powered aircraft, 25 hrs PIC tail-wheel time, 10 glider tows, 10 landings in a Pawnee, **or**
- **Specifically endorsed pilots (“named pilots”)** For pilots who don’t meet the minimums it is still possible to tow, with special permission from the insurance company. To add a name, the pilots experience must be submitted to the insurance carrier requesting an endorsement. Minimum fee for a new endorsement of one or more pilots is now \$100, except at the Insurance Anniversary Date (June 1<sup>st</sup>) when pilots may be added and changed without an endorsement fee.

The insurance company will specify additional training requirements for each “named pilot” these may vary but often include;

- 10 flights in the Pawnee
- 3 simulated tows in the Pawnee
- First 3 tows must have a CFIG in the glider

Note, this additional training can be provided by IGC for a minimal cost, ask the Chief Tow Pilot for additional information.

And meet

**FAA Requirements** (condensed, please refer to the complete FAR):

FAR 61.69 - To tow a glider with a single-engine airplane you must have;

- 100 hours PIC in single-engine airplanes.
- A logbook endorsement from a CFIG for certain training in gliders.
- Three flights towing or simulating a tow accompanied by a qualified tow pilot.
- A logbook endorsement from that tow pilot for those three flights.
- This second endorsement can be avoided through the grandfather clause
- Recent experience, in the past 12 months: 3 accompanied tows or 3 flights as PIC of the glider
  - Note this is an ongoing requirement

To fly the Pawnee you must have;

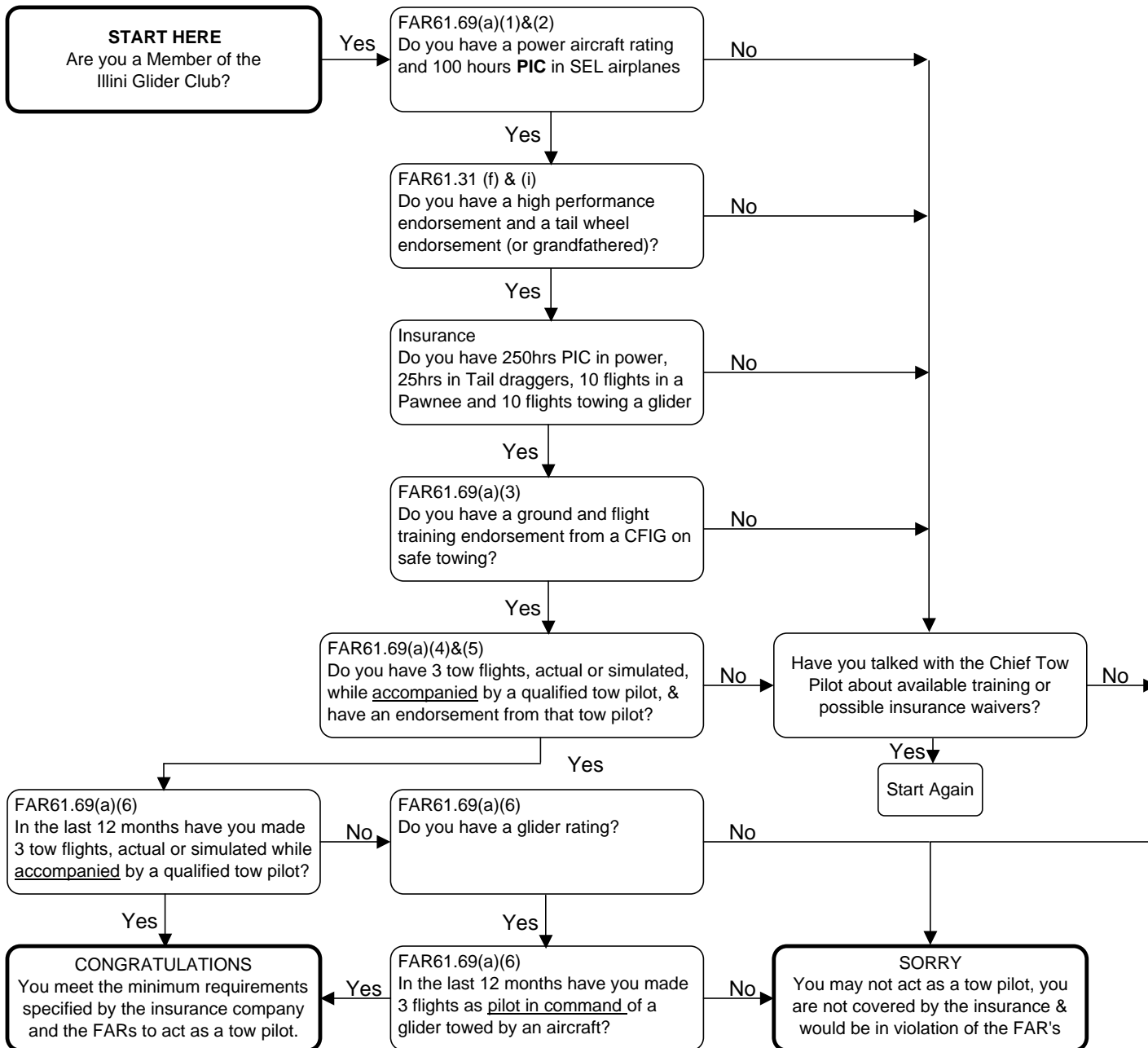
- A high horsepower endorsement (or grandfathered)
- A tail wheel endorsement (or grandfathered).

And meet

### **Illini Glider Club Requirements**

- Receive Tow Pilot orientation briefing and authorization from Chief Tow Pilot
- Review Pawnee Operating Handbook
- Review the IGC Operations Handbook
- Review the IGC Tow Pilots Handbook

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Note: The requirement for "accompanied" flights can not be met in a single seat aircraft.

The requirements for the "qualified tow pilot" are specified by FAR61.69 (c) & (d)

This is only a reference guide, it does not contain the detail necessary to fully understand the requirements. You must comply with the most up to date FAR's and insurance policy.