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NVG Non-Pilot Crewmember Training Requirements FAR 135

The following guidance is provided by the Federal Aviation Administration as the minimum training required to act as non-pilot crewmember in an aircraft while using Night Vision Goggles (NVGs) under FAR Part 135. The rule outlines Ground training requirements. The information contained was taken directly from the FAA Order 8900.1 Volume 4, Chapter 7, Section 4 accessible by visiting <http://www.faa.gov>.

FAA Order 8900.1 Training Program Requirements (NVG Part 135)

In addition to pilot crewmembers, the additional crewmembers (e.g., flight nurses and EMTs, who perform duties in flight, are required to have an approved training curriculum. This training includes five hours ground training that must include one hour of NVG demonstration and use, which must be accomplished at night and may be accomplished in flight or on the ground. **These crewmembers will receive the same ground training segments as the pilot crewmembers, including the aircraft-specific and operator-specific segments. CRM will be emphasized during crewmember training.**

If only one NVG crewmember is required for takeoff from unimproved sites, the operator must develop and use appropriate operational procedures and training for dual NVG high and low reconnaissance, which must include the evaluation of egress route(s). The single pilot using NVGs provided no substantial change in conditions (wind, obstructions, and weather conditions) has occurred between the time of the reconnaissance and the departure may use egress routes selected during high and low reconnaissance.

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