



# EARN YOUR FAA A&P CERTIFICATION WITH MILITARY EXPERIENCE



## 1) TAKE TIME TO GET FAMILIAR WITH THE FAA MECHANIC WEBSITE

You'll find everything you need to know about Certificates & Records, Aircraft & Technical Information, Forms, Regulations & Policies, Testing, Training, and more.

## 2) OBTAIN PRACTICAL MECHANICAL EXPERIENCE

In order to take the A&P exam and obtain your certification, you'll need 30 months of practical mechanical experience (not just months in the military). Keep in mind that you will not be authorized to test just because you served in the military - only time spent working in the specialty counts for this purpose.

Your Orion Military Aerospace Recruiter can provide further guidance on how to create your packet of documentary evidence showing proof of your experience.

## 3) COMPLETE JSAMTCC TRAINING PROGRAM

You must complete the Joint Service Aviation Maintenance Technician Certification Council (JSAMTCC) training program. Your Military Branch of Service will document and file your training and experience records for you. Depending on your specialty, the FAA may grant you credit for your military aviation maintenance experience toward the A&P ratings.

## 4) MAKE YOUR APPLICATION AT YOUR LOCAL FAA FSDO

If you're an Active Duty military member, make your application at your local FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), where an FAA Aviation Safety Inspector (ASI) will evaluate your experience. Your Orion Military Aerospace Recruiter can offer advice about how to succeed with the application process.

You will need all training and qualification documentation and a letter from your Executive Officer, Maintenance Officer, or Classification Officer certifying your length of military service, the amount of time you worked in each MOS, NEC, or AFCS, the make and model of aircraft and/or engine on which you acquired the practical experience, and where you obtained the experience.

## 5) GET APPROVED & REGISTER FOR TEST

Once approved, you'll receive two copies of a Form FAA 8610-2 Airman Certificate and/or Rating Application ("tickets"), and you're ready to register for and take your test.

## 6) TAKE YOUR TEST

Prep for your test and take it! Congratulations on your new certification.

