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Pilot Proficiency and Training

Deficiencies in Basic Piloting

- Inadequate preflight inspections
 - Failure to check security of oil filler cap
 - Failure to ensure fuel on board
 - Failure to check fuel for contaminants
- Noncompliance with weight and balance limitations

Deficiencies in Basic Piloting

- Failure to maintain airspeed during powered flight before, during egress
 - Failure to prevent stall/spin
 - Failure to perform procedures to recover
- Inadequate performance of emergency procedures following power loss
 - Allowing airspeed to decay to stall
 - Feathering the wrong propeller

Training Requirements

- No special airman qualifications
- Flight review in preceding 2 years
 - 1 hour flight training
 - 1 hour ground training
 - In any aircraft
- In contrast, Part 135 pilots subject to
 - Initial and recurrent training
 - Annual testing on performance, limitations
 - Flight competency checks
 - In class/type of aircraft that they fly



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