

Night Rating



Waterford Aero Club offer the EASA night rating course during the winter months when the airport opening hours overlap best with night hours and allow efficient completion of the rating.

The minimum training to complete the rating is (per FCL.810):

- Three hours of dual training at night including one hour of cross country training
- Five solo landings to a full stop (i.e. at least stop and go, touch and gos are not sufficient)
- The above items combined must be at least five hours of night flight (either dual or supervised solo)
- Ground training / briefings as required covering:
 - Privileges granted with a night rating
 - Air law considerations
 - Human factors considerations
 - Inadvertent flight into IMC
 - Radio navigation
 - Practical hints and tips
- LAPL(A) holders need to complete lesson 19 (basic instrument flight) in addition to the above requirements.

Typically, the above is completed over two training flights:

- Night 1: Night familiarisation flight combined with night circuits
- Night 2: Cross country flight from EIWF-EICK-EIWF followed by five solo landings.

The entry requirements to commence the course are:

- Valid EASA PPL(A) or LAPL(A)
- Valid Class 2 medical

Once completed, a course completion certificate is issued by the Head of Training and this should be sent to the IAA along with logbook copies and the relevant fee. The night rating is then added to your license and you can exercise those privileges once you receive the updated license back from the IAA.

The costs of completing the night rating in WAC are (prices correct as of November 2023):

Aircraft rental – five hours at €180/hr (incl. fuel)	900
Flight instruction – five hours at €50/hr	250
Ground instruction – one hour at €50/hr	50
Membership of WAC for duration of night rating (if not already a member)	50
Landing fee EICK	9
Landings / touch and gos at EIWF	70
Total	1,329

Note: cost estimates above are based on completion of training in the regulatory minimums.

If you are interested please email info@waterfordaeroclub.com to schedule the training.