

# THE HOLD SHORT

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## TAXI SPEEDS AND HOLDING SHORT – TIPS FOR PRESERVING TIRES

As part of our commitment to safety and professionalism, we want to address some important guidelines regarding taxi speeds and holding short for takeoff. Adhering to these practices not only ensures a smoother operation but also helps in preserving our aircraft tires.

- **Taxi Speeds** - When taxiing, it's crucial to maintain a controlled and steady speed. Excessive speeds can lead to unnecessary wear and tear on our tires, increasing maintenance costs and reducing the lifespan of the tires. Aim to taxi at a speed that allows you to stop the aircraft promptly if needed. This typically means a brisk walking pace, which gives you enough control to navigate turns and avoid sudden stops.
- **Holding Short for Takeoff** - When approaching the hold short line, slow down well in advance. This helps in preventing abrupt stops and reduces the strain on the brakes and tires. Gradually bring the aircraft to a complete stop at the hold short line, ensuring you are clear of the runway and in compliance with ATC instructions.
- **Avoid Riding the Brakes** - One common issue we've observed is pilots riding the brakes during taxi. This practice can cause significant wear on the brake system and tires. Instead, manage your speed with throttle control, allowing the aircraft to slow down naturally. Only use the brakes when necessary to bring the aircraft to a complete stop.
- **Preserve the Tires** - Tire maintenance is a critical aspect of flight operations. By adhering to proper taxi speeds and braking techniques, we can significantly extend the life of our tires. This not only reduces maintenance costs but also ensures the safety and reliability of our fleet.
- **Remember, Others Are Watching** - As pilots of Great Basin Aviation, it's important to remember that others are always watching. Whether it's fellow pilots, students, or visitors at the airport, maintaining professional and safe operational practices sets a positive example and upholds the reputation of our flight school.

Thank you for your attention to these important practices. Let's continue to work together to maintain the highest standards of safety and professionalism at Great Basin Aviation.

## REMINDERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

- **The Silver Springs Regional Airport is back open!**
- If you would like to be part of the Study Group or Pilot Sharing What's Apps, please contact the office and we will add you.
- Airline Pilot Info Gathering will be on Friday, June 28th. RSVP to [goflying@greatbasinaviation.com](mailto:goflying@greatbasinaviation.com)



**ROB SCHUERMANN –  
SOLO**

Big Congratulations to Rob Schuermann for his first solo flight today at KRTS on runway 26 in N670CS! Despite having a last name that's longer than the runway, Rob absolutely nailed it. From the softball field to the skies, Rob brings his love of being active and staying healthy to every new adventure. With a passion for sports and an unmatched enthusiasm for life, Rob has proven that his energy and determination know no bounds. Whether he's on the ground running bases or in the air navigating the skies, Rob's dedication and hard work shine through. Today marks a significant milestone in his aviation journey, and we couldn't be prouder. Huge shoutout to his CFI, Ryan Mill! These two might be competitors on the softball field, but in the cockpit, they are an unstoppable team. Here's to many more flights, fun, and adventures ahead. Fly high, Rob! The sky is no longer the limit—it's just the beginning!

We are beyond excited to announce that the one and only Pablo Stein has earned his Commercial Pilot Certificate! Pablo has been with Great Basin Aviation since he was a student pilot, making the journey all the way from Rochester, NY. Not only did he cross state lines, but he also took his love for aviation international, living in Chile for a bit. Pablo isn't just a talented pilot; he's also a connoisseur of mimosas and a lover of empanadas (8 hours bottle to throttle, of course). Some might say his secret to success is the perfect blend of aviation passion and delicious treats! Pablo's journey from a student pilot to earning his commercial certificate is a testament to his hard work, perseverance, and passion for flying. We can't wait to see where his aviation journey takes him next. Whether he's flying over the beautiful landscapes of Chile or navigating the skies of New York, we know he'll be soaring high! This incredible achievement wouldn't have been possible without his amazing CFI, Ryan Mill. Awesome job, Ryan, on your dedication, patience, and exceptional guidance. Your commitment to helping Pablo reach his goals is truly inspiring. Join us in congratulating Pablo on this incredible milestone. Here's to many more flights, adventures, and, of course, mimosas and empanadas!



**PABLO STEIN –  
COMMERCIAL**



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## AIRLINE PILOT INFO

### Gathering

EVER WONDERED WHAT IT IS LIKE TO BE A COMMERCIAL AIRLINE PILOT? JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING SESSION WITH GBA ALUMNI JACK DARLINGTON AND JOSH BUNKER, NOW SOARING THE SKIES AS AIRLINE PILOTS. THEY'LL GIVE YOU THE INSIDE SCOOP ON WHAT THIS CAREER FIELD IS REALLY LIKE, COVERING EVERYTHING FROM A TYPICAL MONTH IN THE LIFE, BIDDING WARS, AND UNIONS TO THOSE "AHA" AND "WISH I KNEW BEFORE" INSIGHTS. LEARN WHAT RECRUITERS ARE NOW LOOKING FOR, THE SECRETS TO ACING THE INTERVIEW, NEVER PUTTING THE BOOKS DOWN, AND SO MUCH MORE. DON'T MISS THE CHANCE TO GET THE REAL DEAL FROM THOSE WHO PUT IN THE LONG HOURS OF STUDYING AND FLIGHT TRAINING AND MADE IT TO THE COCKPIT!

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