



Trainer Airplane Suggestions

This is just a small selection of trainer airplanes. Most trainers are electric powered, but gas and nitro powered ones are also available. Some take nothing more than charging the battery to get it ready for flying. Generally, the larger the wingspan the easier it is to fly and the more wind the model will handle. A wingspan of 60" and above is a good size. Don't be tempted to start with something small or fast or inappropriate for a beginner.

Woodland Aero Modelers offers its Members free flight training using the buddy-box method. The instructor's and student's radios are linked, and the instructor can take control at any time. Mastering take-off, landing and basic flight should not take you too long.

Come to our **2025 Open House on Saturday, June 14th from 11am – 3pm**, or contact John Baderman 630.408.6668 jb@baderman.co.uk to arrange an introductory training flight at another time. June 15th is the weather delay date. Check our website for updates. www.woodlandaeromodelers.org

RealFlight® Evolution RC Simulator



A simulator on your computer is an excellent way for new RC pilots to orient themselves to RC flying before their first flight in the field, and also to improve skills as experienced pilots. It also allows you to "try" planes before you buy them **\$230**

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Apprentice STS 1.5m



59" wingspan, SAFE technology, EPO foam construction. 3 cell electric

Floats available

RTF (Ready to Fly) package includes radio, **\$370**

Flight battery and charger not included

BNF (Bind N Fly) package without the radio, **\$330**

RTF Mini Apprentice S 2 - 48" wingspan, \$260

Carbon Club S 2 1.3m



51" wingspan, SAFE technology, EPO foam construction, 3 cell electric, optional flaps

Floats available

RTF (Ready to Fly) package includes radio, **\$299**

Flight Battery and charger not included.

BNF (Bind N Fly) package without the radio \$250

Turbo Timber Evolution 1.5m



59" wingspan, SAFE technology, EPO foam construction, 3 cell electric

BNF (Bind-N-Fly) package without the radio, **\$350**

Flight battery and charger not included

AeroScout S 2 1.1m



43" wingspan, SAFE technology, EPO foam construction, 3 cell electric

Floats also available

RTF (Ready to Fly) package includes radio, **\$250**

Flight battery and charger not included

These planes and many more are available at www.horizonhobby.com. Additional sources for planes, parts and supplies are listed on the next page.

Sources for RC planes and supplies

Horizon Hobbies www.horizonhobby.com

The main RC company with a large range of everything.

Hangar 9 – E-Flight – Park Zone – Spektrum – Blade Helicopters – Evolution and many other brands

Tower Hobbies www.towerhobbies.com

** Now part of Horizon Hobbies **

Great Planes – Flyzone – Hobbico – Pheonix – Top Flight – Futaba – OS Engines and many other brands

Academy of Model Aeronautics www.modelaircraft.org

World's largest model aviation association, representing a membership of more than 175,000

Balsa USA www.balsausa.com

High quality kits and supplies

Chief Aircraft www.chiefaircraft.com/radio-control

On-line retailer

Du-Bro www.dubro.com

Parts manufacturer

Esprit Model www.espritmodel.com

On-line retailer

Hobby King www.hobbyking.com

Probably the largest on-line retailer based in Hong Kong but with warehouses here in the USA

Hobby Town www.hobbytown.com

Retailer with several area stores including Orland park, Schaumburg, St Charles & Northbrook.

Leisure Hours Hobbies www.leisurehours.com

Local retailer, 16300 S. Lincoln Highway, Plainfield, (815) 439-1477

SIG www.sigmfg.com

Manufacturer and on-line retailer, including some great beginner airplanes

Value Hobby www.valuehobby.com

On-line retailer with local warehouse and a good selection of cheaper trainers and batteries



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