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VFR into IMC Trapped by the Weather or Trapped by Ourselves?

To non-pilots, it may seem like a simple, binary decision - is the weather okay to fly today? Pilots know that "weather" is really a combination of many issues, winds, moisture, stability, visibility, cloud cover, temperature, etc. Many of these factors are complex and can change rapidly throughout the day. For pilots on a defined mission, facing a complex, marginal weather situation, there may be a temptation to "squeeze the gap" between closing ceilings and visibility ahead. As with most decisions a pilot must make, this decision has real life and death consequences.

San Carlos Flight Center invites Professor Emeritus, ASA Author, and CFI Dale Wilson to discuss the human-factor elements responsible for VFR flight into IMC. VFR into IMC is still the number one cause of fatal general aviation weather-related accidents. Why is this? In this seminar, join Dale to find out. He will also explain mitigation strategies to help you avoid getting trapped by this deadly threat.

We invite all pilots to tune in for this presentation to increase awareness of the decision-making process and overall flight safety.

Dale Wilson, M.S. ATP, CFI, MCFI/MGI, is Professor Emeritus at Central Washington

Event Details



University in Ellensburg, WA, and is the author of popular ASA books, Managing Risk: Best Practices for Pilots, and more recently, Human Factors: Enhancing Pilot Performance. Since 1996, he has taught courses dealing with the physiological and psychological aspects of pilot performance, safety management, threat and error management, and aviation weather. He continues his passion by writing numerous articles in aviation journals and magazines. To find out more about our speaker and his work visit his web page at the Aviation Department's website click here.

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