FX-LLC has received California Police Officer Standards Training (POST) certification for its Helicopter Upset Recognition & Recovery Training (HURRT) initial and recurrent courses. According to co-founder Chuck Aaron, these courses set the standard for this specialized, focused training for public safety aviation operations throughout the country.

“We are very proud to set the benchmark and be the catalysis for enhancing training and potentially changing our industry’s safety record. It’s not about currency but being “proficient” at the skills needed to become a safer and more professional helicopter pilot. Addressing the three common threads that have been created by the “Training Gap” identified in our research for developing the HURRT program has been key. That “Training Gap” has been caused by the increasing use of simulators, the increased reliance on automation and the lack of actual helicopter flight training & realistic emotions. Our FX-LLC HURRT program goal is to focus on the attributing factors of LOC, IIMC and CFIT and address them,” Aaron said.

The HURRT course is 2-3 days and includes classroom/brief/deb briefs (± 8.0 hours) and ground training (± 1.0 hours), as well as flight time in a twin turbine BO-105 (± 3.5 hours). Courses run every week, Tuesday thru Thursday, so you can travel on Monday and Friday. Special scheduling can be considered case-by-case based on availability and dates requested.

HURRT curriculum emphasizes the importance of helicopter instrument flying skills and pilot proficiency, inadvertent IMC and CFIT hazards and how to avoid an inadvertent IMC event and potential CFIT outcome. Course curriculum will cover, in detail, helicopter aerodynamics and how to respond to various instrument threats during flight scenarios. Most importantly, pilots will learn piloting techniques to safely recover from the most extreme situations whether in Visual Flight Rules (VFR), night unaided (without night vision goggles), entering IMC or flying in IMC. By the end of the course, HURRT will ensure that the pilot is a safer, more skilled, more proficient and confident aviator.

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