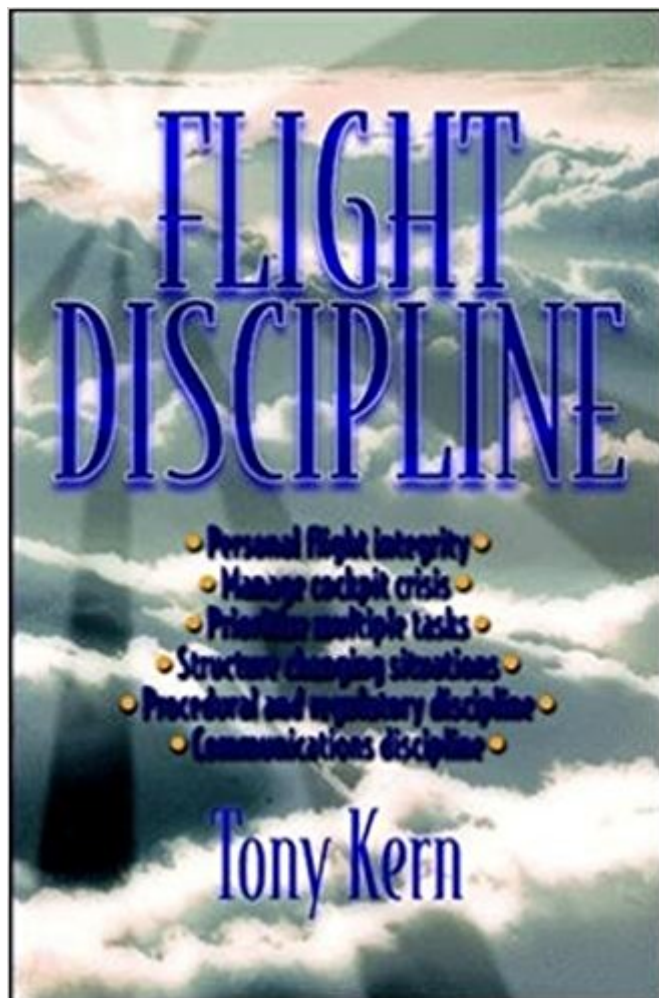




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# Flight Discipline



## Synopsis

Flight Discipline is the complete tool kit for any aviator, whether military, commercial, or recreational, to develop the crack discipline needed to be a safe and effective aviator. Major Tony Kern analyses the causes of poor flight discipline, gives chilling case studies of the consequences, and lays out a plan for individual improvement. Key words are italicized and review questions included for each chapter. An unequalled guide to this mainspring of good piloting.

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“A skilled pilot without flight discipline is a walking time bomb.” In case history after case history, Lt. Col. Tony Kern shows the hair-raising and often fatal consequences of sloppy flight discipline--and shows you how to make sure that you don't fall into the same traps. Flight Discipline is the perfect tool to help aviators understand flight discipline, improve their skills, and be safer and more effective flyers. It can be used by the individual pilot or in a classroom setting. Key words and concepts are italicized throughout. Chapter review questions test your understanding and summarize the main points of the chapters. Case studies illustrate the tragic consequences of sloppy discipline. The book is divided into three logical sections, each packed with essential information about the hows and whys of flight discipline: Part One: The problem and costs of poor flight discipline in aviation: what can go wrong, and why; Part Two: The anatomy of flight discipline: instruction, planning, communication, and attention management; Part Three: How to insure flight discipline: instruction, planning, communication, and attention management. Conclusion: A personal plan for safer flying.

Clear check-points for individual accountability and improvement. Whether flight planning, completing checklists, managing in-flight change, or resisting organizational or peer pressures to cut corners, flight discipline is the all-important mainspring of safe and successful flight.

Dr. Tony Kern is a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He has commanded KC-135 tankers, piloted B-1B bombers, and served in various operational and training capacities in his Air Force career. He has designed numerous aviation education and training programs that have been implemented across the spectrum of aviation. He also lectures and consults internationally on aviation human factors and pilot accountability. Kern holds master's degrees in public administration and military history, and a doctorate in higher education. He currently lives and instructs at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

This is one of the very best books ever written about flight safety. And, it has nothing to do with "stick and rudder

Since the beginning of the book, the author got it right. Flight Discipline is the right direction to look for if you are in search of your own career development as an Aviator.

Discipline is one often neglected but essential part in Cockpit Management. Tony Kern managed to review this subject in its entirety. From the different aspects and perspectives this fundamental component of aviation is studied through the many sources and projections. This book thoroughly illustrate the critical need of such a subject for the completeness of aviation read. It is an essential part for threat and error reduction and definitely make you a more thorough and safer aviator. I strongly recommend this title.

This is certainly a must read book for pilots, from students like myself, to those on the top of the aviation food chain. Mr. Kern provides the WHY pilots MUST follow procedures like using checklists to making good decisions on when and when not to fly or the need to be in strict compliance with FAR/AIM's. His points are illustrated with numerous mishaps and close calls when pilots chose to break the rules. There is nothing more riveting than to "stand on the shoulder of giants" and learn from countless mistakes from both the military and civilian arenas of aviation. This most certainly will make me a better informed pilot. Thanks Lt. Col. Kern

An excellent book about the essential discipline of flight. I had three minor problems with the book which would not keep me from recommending it to others as a must read. I will focus on these rather than the positives because the other reviewers have done an excellent job. Several incidents would benefit from a little more data which would give the reader a better understanding of the situation. I found the discussion of the Ron Brown crash implausible. That a crew with limited experience in ADF flying would not have selected the beacon at the airport which lay ahead and defined the MAP. Finally, a number of the incidents are duplications of those in *A Darker Shade of Blue*. My guess is that there are enough lumps of smoking aluminum around to offer fresh meat for each of the book's 965. These minor comments aside it is a must read.

Great reference book by a professional in this area.

Great.

Great case studies. Very relatable. Ability to capture all aviators from nil experience to fully fledged airline pilots. Will take on many of the lessons in my everyday flying.

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