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## **ASAF SHMULEVICH EARNS NAFI MASTER INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION**

**KALAMAZOO, MI — 11/17/2023** The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Asaf Shmulevich has earned accreditation as a NAFI Master Flight Instructor.

Shmulevich grew up in Israel and previously served in the Israeli Defense Force. Being around Air Force pilots and personnel triggered his interest in aviation.

In 2015, Shmulevich started working as a flight attendant for a major airline in Israel and was eventually promoted to its business and first-class flight attendant in charge of passenger safety.

During layovers in the United States, Shmulevich began pilot training and realized he wanted to do this for the rest of his life.

Shmulevich moved to Maryland in February 2020 to pursue his aviation goals, earning his pilot ratings and then CFI. He began to mentor new CFIs, became a safety director, and is now an FAA Safety Team Representative.

Currently Shmulevich is an FAA Gold Seal instructor, AGI, CFII, MEI and works as a charter pilot on a PC-12.

*The NAFI Master Flight Instructor Accreditation is earned by aviation educators based upon a system of advanced professional standards and peer review. The accreditation identifies and publicly recognizes those teachers of flight who demonstrate an ongoing commitment to excellence, professional growth, and service to the aviation community. The NAFI Master Instructor*



*accreditation is for two years and may be used to renew an FAA flight instructor certificate. Applicants must have been a CFI for two years and have given 1,000 hours of flight instruction. In addition, candidates must meet and document activity in four NAFI Master Instructor categories (Instructor, Educator, Service to the Aviation Community, and Professional Activity).*

*Members of the **National Association of Flight Instructors** work as independent instructors, at flight schools, universities, FBOs, corporate flight departments and in the military. Since 1967, NAFI and its members, who teach in thirty countries, are dedicated to increasing and maintaining the professionalism of flight instruction. NAFI members influence active pilots daily: students working to become pilots, current pilots training to advance their skills with new ratings or certificates and pilots who seek to improve their skills with recurrent training. NAFI also serves as an advocate with industry and government as a voice for flight instruction. NAFI helps shape the current and future direction of flight training. For more information about NAFI or the NAFI Master Instructor program call **866-806-6156** or visit [www.NAFINet.org](http://www.NAFINet.org).*