

WOMEN AS AIR FORCE PILOTS

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Until quite recently women were not allowed to study in military aviation school in Poland. Nowadays only few of them become cadets. According to the popular view women are not sufficiently equipped in skills required for that profession. In the presented study the results of a diagnostic test battery were compared in groups of men and women candidates to air

force and in a control students' population. Gender differences in cognitive and motor skills found in the students' population were hardly observed in the population of pilots, cadets and air force candidates. This effect can be explained as a result of adequate self-estimation of candidates skills.