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PREFLIGHT INSPECTION

General condition of aircraft should be checked entirely, including but not limited to damage, corrosion, rivets, screws, bolts, pins, safety wire, inspection plates, etc. Ensure all documentation is current, legal, and onboard per any applicable FAR. You are responsible for ensuring the aircraft is airworthy and legal to fly.

COCKPIT AND LIGHTING CHECK

Magnetos	OFF
Control lock	REMOVE
Master switch	ON
Anti-collision lights	ON
Nav lights	ON
Landing light	ON
	Control lock Master switch Anti-collision lights Nav lights

- 7. Walkaround check all exterior lights functional
- 8. Check stall warning tab sounds alarm (left wing leading edge)

9. Lights	OFF
10. Master switch	OFF
11. Flaps	FULL
12. Documentation	Onboard

RIGHT WING

- Flap Hinges and actuator rod secure, flap has slight play
- 2. Aileron Free movement. Hinges, hinge pins, nut/bolt secure
- 3. Wingtip Free of any major damage
- 4. Leading edge No major dents or holes.
- 5. Chain/tiedown Remove
- 6. Check fuel vent Unobstructed
- 7. Verify fuel quantity Sufficient for flight
- 8. Drain fuel sump(s) Check for water and sediment
- 9. Replace Fuel Caps

RIGHT MAIN GEAR

- Tire Properly inflated and good condition, cotter pin secure
- 2. Torque link Approx. 30-120 deg. Bolts secure and safety wired
- 3. Strut Not showing excessive seepage, approximately 4.5" showing
- 4. Brakes Caliper secure, no hydraulic leaks, check lines, pads, and rotors

NOSE SECTION

- 1. Oil 6-8qts Add 1 full qt if below 5.5
- Open engine cowling (if possible) Check ignition leads, and general condition, check for oil seepage/ leaks
- 3. Cooling inlets Free of obstruction, remove plugs
- 4. Alternator belt Tight and not twisted
- 5. Spinner No damage, holes, or cracks, missing screws
- 6. Propeller No damage or cracks
- 7. Engine inlet Clear of obstructions, remove plug
- 8. Exhaust stack Secure
- 9. Chock Remove and place in baggage compartment
- 10. Nose wheel Proper inflation and good condition, strut not showing excessive seepage, approximately 4.5" visible
- 11. Windshield No damage, clean, no excessive pitting or crazing
- 12. Drain fuel sump As needed.

LEFT MAIN GEAR

- Tire Properly inflated and good condition, cotter pin secure
- Torque link Approx. 30-120 deg. Bolts secure and safety wired
- 3. Strut Not showing excessive seepage, approximately 4.5" showing
- 4. Brakes Caliper secure, no hydraulic leaks, check lines, pads, and rotors

LEFT WING

- 1. Drain fuel sump(s) Check for water and sediment
- 2. Check fuel quantity Sufficient for flight
- 3. Check fuel vent Unobstructed
- 4. Replace Fuel Cap(s)
- 5. Pitot mast Check pitot tube, static port, and drain hole all clear
- 6. Chain/tiedown Remove
- 7. Leading edge No major dents or holes
- 8. Wingtip Free of any major damage
- 9. Aileron Free movement. Hinges, hinge pins, nut/bolt secure
- 10. Flap Hinges and actuator rod secure, flap has slight

LEFT FUSELAGE

- 1. Free of major deformities or damage
- 2. No missing rivets
- 3. Comm antennas Secure and undamaged

EMPENNAGE

- 1. Vertical stabilizer/dorsal fin Undamaged
- 2. VOR/Loc antenna Secure
- 3. Stabilator Free movement, hinges and hinge pins secure, no obstructions in actuation area
- 4. Stabilator actuator Nut secured with bolt, 4 bolts under stabilator secure, and free of corrosion
- 5. Rudder Secure and slight play (do not push to deflect) and actuator secure

RIGHT FUSELAGE

- 1. Free of major deformities or damage
- 2. No missing rivets
- 3. Baggage compartment door LATCHED

ENGINE START

1. Preflight COMPLETED 2. Seats & Seatbelts ADJUSTED

3. Phones OFF4. Electrical Equipment OFF5. Master Switch ON

6. ATIS RECEIVED

7. Avionics Master OFF 8. Parking Brake SET

9. Fuel Selector FULLEST TANK
10. Primer IN AND LOCKED

11. Throttle CLOSED
12. Mixture FULL RICH

13. Carb Heat OFF
14. Anti-Collision Light FIN ONLY

15. Fuel Pump ON, CHECK PRESSURE, OFF

16. Magnetos ON BOTH
17. Propeller AREA CLEAR
18. Starter ENGAGE
19. RPM 1000
20. Mixture LEAN

21. Oil Pressure WITHIN LIMITS

22. Ammeter CHECK 23. Avionics Master ON

24. Radios / Transponder SET FOR TAXI 25. Directional Gyro SET FOR TAXI

TAXI CHECK

1. Brakes CHECK
2. Turn Coordinator TURNING
3. Directional Gyro TURNING
4. Attitude Indicator STABLE
5. Compass TURNING

BEFORE TAKEOFF

1. Brakes SET

2. Fuel Selector FULLEST TANK
3. Mixture FULL RICH

4. RPM 2000

5. Engine Instruments WITHIN LIMITS

6. Magnetos CHECK L/R BOTH (175/50)

7. Carb Heat CHECK THEN OFF

8. Circuit Breakers IN

9. Suction 5.0 INCHES
10. Annunciator PRESS TO TEST
11. Throttle IDLE then 1000 RPM

12. Mixture LEAN 13. Fuel Pump ON

14. Controls FREE & CORRECT

15. Flight instruments CHECK 16. Avionics/DG/XPDR SET

17. Flaps SET FOR TAKEOFF SET FOR TAKEOFF

19. Takeoff Briefing COMPLETE

CLEARED FOR TAKEOFF

1. Flaps & Trim CONFIGURED
2. Doors/Windows CLOSED
3. Flight Timer SET/NOTED
4. Lights AS APPROPRIATE

5. Fuel Pump ON

6. Mixture SET FOR TAKEOFF

AFTER TAKEOFF

1. Flaps CHECK ZERO

2. Fuel Pump OFF, CHECK PRESSURE

3. Engine Instruments WITHIN LIMITS

CRUISE / ALT CHANGE / DESCENT

1. Fuel Balance MONITOR

2. Power & Mixture SET AS REQUIRED
3. Directional Gyro CROSSCHECK
4. ATIS AS REQUIRED
5. Lights AS REQUIRED

BEFORE LANDING

1. Mixture SET 2. Fuel Pump ON

3. Flaps AS REQUIRED

4. Carb Heat OFF

OFF RUNWAY

1. Power 1000 RPM
2. Mixture LEAN
3. Fuel Pump OFF
4. Anti-Collision Lights FIN ONLY
5. Flaps ZERO
6. Trim NEUTRAL

ENGINE SHUT-DOWN

1. Engine 1000 RPM

2. Avionics Master OFF

3. Mixture IDLE CUTOFF

4. Electrical Equipment OFF 5. Master Switch OFF 6. Magnetos OFF

POST FLIGHT

1. Magnetos OFF

2. Mixture IDLE CUTOFF

3. Master Switch OFF 4. Hand Brake OFF

5. Note hobbs and tach times

6. Remove all trash and personal items

7. Chock nosewheel, install covers, plugs, chains

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

ENGINE FAILURE

MAINTAIN CONTROL OF AIRCRAFT PITCH FOR BEST GLIDE SPEED SELECT LANDING SITE and GO THERE!

1. Fuel Tank Selector SWITCH

2. Magnetos CHECK BOTH
3. Primer CHECK LOCKED

4. Throttle OPEN

5. Mixture CHECK RICH

6. Fuel Pump ON
7. Carb Heat ON
8. Engine Instruments CHECK

IF ENGINE RESTART IS NOT SUCCESSFUL
PREPARE FOR EMERGENCY / OFF-AIRPORT LANDING

EMERGENCY LANDING

MAINTAIN CONTROL OF AIRCRAFT!

Declare Emergency
 Seatbelt/Harnesses
 Fuel Selector
 121.5 / 7700
 SECURED
 OFF

5. Fuel Selector OFF

4. Mixture IDLE CUTOFF

5. ELT ON

6. Door UNLATCH IF DITCHING

7. Master Switch OFF BEFORE TOUCHDOWN

ENGINE FIRE - IN FLIGHT

MAINTAIN CONTROL OF AIRCRAFT!

1. Fuel Selector OFF
2. Throttle CLOSED
3. Mixture IDLE CUTOFF

4. Heater/Defroster OFF

INITIATE EMERGENCY DESCENT
DO NOT ATTEMPT RESTART
YAW AIRCRAFT TO KEEP FLAME AWAY FROM CABIN
PREPARE FOR EMERGENCY LANDING

ENGINE FIRE - START UP

CONTINUE CRANKING ENGINE

1. Fuel Selector OFF

2. Throttle FULL OPEN
3. Mixture CUTOFF

IF ENGINE STARTS:

1. Run engine at 1500RPM for 1 minute

2. Shutdown and inspect engine

IF FIRE UNCONTROLLED: ABANDON AIRCRAFT

ELECTRICAL FAILURE

1. Circuit Breakers CHECK
2. Alternator OFF then ON

IF FAILURE PERSISTS: TURN OFF NON-ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT LAND AS SOON AS PRACTICAL



PROTEUS OFFICE TEL 310 398 6929

EMERGENCY TEL 310 968 3503

DO NOT REMOVE THIS CHECKLIST FROM AIRCRAFT!