

PILOT'S OPERATING HANDBOOK  
AND FAA APPROVED  
AIRPLANE FLIGHT MANUAL

for the

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THIS HANDBOOK INCLUDES THE MATERIAL REQUIRED TO BE FURNISHED TO THE PILOT BY FAR PART 23.

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**INTRODUCTION**

The format and contents of this Pilot's Operating Handbook and FAA Approved Airplane Flight Manual conform to GAMA (General Aviation Manufacturers Association) Handbook Specification Number 1. Use of this specification by all manufacturers will provide the pilot with the same type of data in the same place in all handbooks.

Attention is called to Section X (SAFETY INFORMATION). BEECHCRAFT feels that it is very important to have Safety Information in a condensed form in the hands of the pilots. The Safety Information should be read and studied. Periodic review will serve as a reminder of good piloting techniques.

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# **SECTION I**

## **GENERAL**

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## **THANK YOU . . .**

for displaying confidence in us by selecting a BEECHCRAFT airplane. Our design engineers, assemblers, and inspectors have utilized their skills and years of experience to ensure that the new BEECHCRAFT meets the high standards of quality and performance for which BEECHCRAFT airplanes have become famous throughout the world.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This handbook should be read carefully by the owner and the operator in order to become familiar with the operation of the airplane. Suggestions and recommendations have been made within it to aid in obtaining maximum performance without sacrificing economy. Be familiar with, and operate the airplane in accordance with, the Pilot's Operating Handbook and FAA Approved Airplane Flight Manual, and/or placards which are located in the airplane.

As a further reminder, the owner and the operator should also be familiar with the Federal Aviation Regulations applicable to the operation and maintenance of the airplane, and FAR Part 91, General Operating and Flight Rules. Further, the airplane must be operated and maintained in accordance with FAA Airworthiness Directives which may be issued against it.

The Federal Aviation Regulations place the responsibility for the maintenance of this airplane on the owner and the operator, who should ensure that all maintenance is done by qualified mechanics in conformity with all airworthiness requirements established for this airplane.

All limits, procedures, safety practices, time limits, servicing, and maintenance requirements contained in this handbook

are considered mandatory for continued airworthiness to maintain the airplane in a condition equal to that of its original manufacture.

Authorized BEECHCRAFT Aero or Aviation Centers or International Distributors or Dealers can provide recommended modification, service, and operating procedures issued by both the FAA and Beech Aircraft Corporation, which are designed to get maximum utility and safety from the airplane.

## **USE OF THE HANDBOOK**

The Pilot's Operating Handbook is designed to facilitate maintaining the documents necessary for the safe and efficient operation of the airplane. The handbook has been prepared in loose leaf form for ease in maintenance and in a convenient size for storage. The handbook has been arranged with quick reference tabs imprinted with the title of each section and contains ten basic divisions.

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**NOTE**

The owner/operator should always refer to all supplements, whether STC Supplements or Beech Supplements, for possible placards, limitations, normal, emergency and other operational procedures for proper operation of the airplane with optional equipment installed.

The following information may be provided to the holder of this manual automatically:

1. Original issues and revisions of Class I and Class II Service Instructions
2. Original issues and revisions of FAA Approved Airplane Flight Manual Supplements
3. Reissues and revisions of FAA Approved Airplane Flight Manuals, Flight Handbooks, Owner's Manuals, Pilot's Operating Manuals, and Pilot's Operating Handbooks

This service is free and will be provided only to airplane owners who are listed on the FAA Aircraft Registration Branch List or the BEECHCRAFT International Owners Notification Service List, and then only if listed by airplane serial number for the model for which this handbook is applicable. For detailed information on how to obtain "Revision Service" applicable to this handbook or other BEECHCRAFT Service Publications consult any BEECHCRAFT Aero or Aviation Center, International Distributor, or International Dealer, or refer to the latest revision of BEECHCRAFT Service Instructions No. 0250-010.

Due to the large variety of airplane configurations available through optional equipment, it should be noted that where information pertaining to optional equipment appears in the handbook, the optional equipment will not normally be designated as such. Due to custom design variations, the illustrations in this handbook will not be typical of every airplane.

Beech Aircraft Corporation expressly reserves the right to supersede, cancel, and/or declare obsolete, without prior notice, any part, part number, kit, or publication that may be referenced in this handbook.

## **REVISING THE HANDBOOK**

Immediately following the Title Page is the "Log of Revisions" page(s). The Log of Revisions pages are used for maintaining a listing of all effective pages in the handbook (except the SUPPLEMENTS section), and as a record of revisions to these pages. In the lower right corner of the outlined portion is a box containing a capital letter which denotes the issue or reissue of the handbook. It will be advanced one letter, alphabetically, per reissue. This letter will be suffixed by a number whenever the handbook is revised. When a revision to the handbook is made, a new Log of Revisions will be issued. All Logs of Revisions must be retained in the handbook to provide a complete record of material status until a reissue is made.

## **WARNING**

When this handbook is used for airplane operational purposes it is the pilot's responsibility to maintain it in current status.

## **AIRPLANE FLIGHT MANUAL SUPPLEMENTS REVISION RECORD**

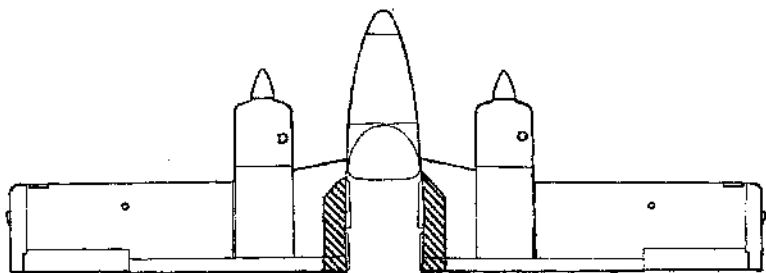
Section IX contains the FAA Approved Airplane Flight Manual Supplements headed by a Log of Supplements page. On the "Log" page is a listing of the FAA Approved Supplemental Equipment available for installation on the airplane. When new supplements are received or existing supplements are revised, a new "Log" page will replace the previous one, since it contains a listing of all previous approvals, plus the new approval. The supplemental material will be added to the grouping in accordance with the descriptive listing.

## **NOTE**

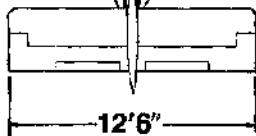
Upon receipt of a new or revised supplement, compare the "Log" page just received with the existing "Log" page in the manual. Retain the "Log" page with the latest date on the bottom of the page and discard the other log.

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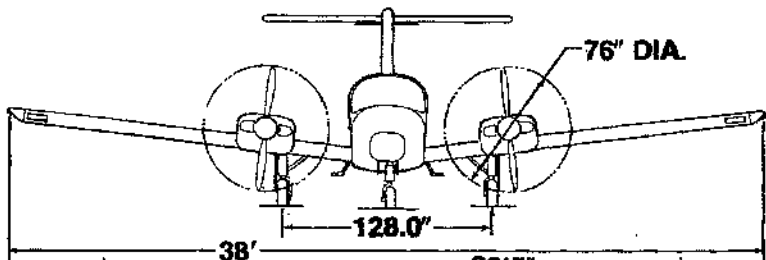
When a new airplane is delivered from the factory, the handbook delivered with it contains either an STC (Supplemental Type Certificate) Supplement or a Beech Flight Manual Supplement for every installed item requiring a supplement. If a new handbook for operation of the airplane is obtained at a later date, it is the responsibility of the owner/operator to ensure that all required STC Supplements (as well as weight and balance and other pertinent data) are transferred into the new handbook.



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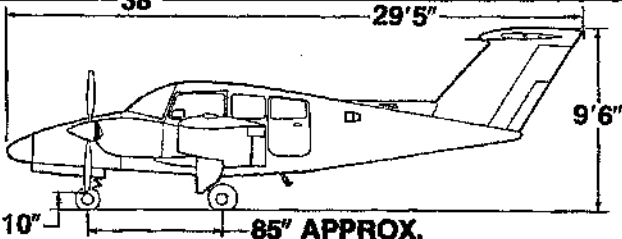


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**29'5"**



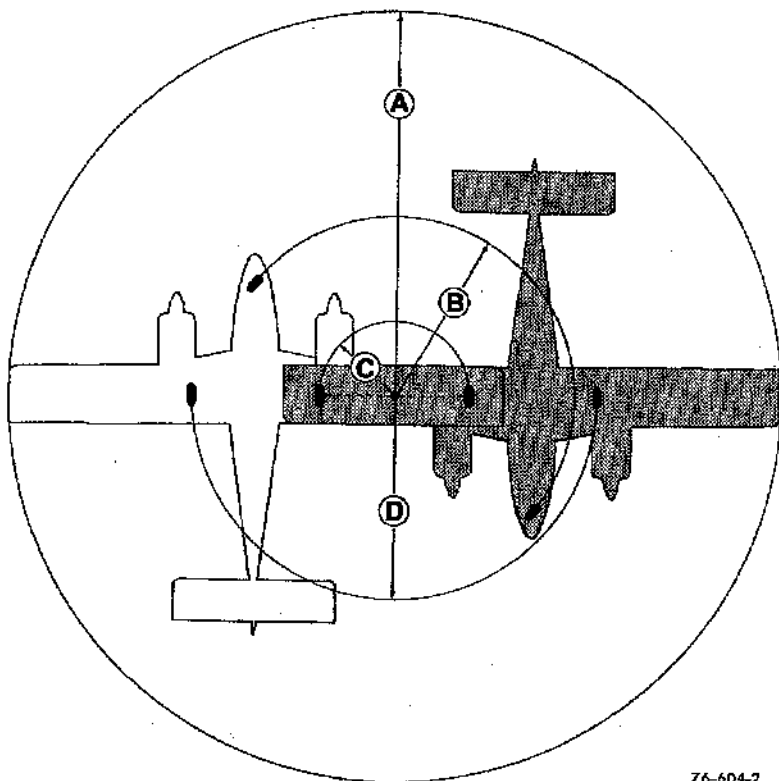
**9'6"**

**10"**

**85" APPROX.**

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### GROUND TURNING CLEARANCE

- (A) Radius for Wing Tip .....27 feet 2 inches
- (B) Radius for Nose Wheel ..... 9 feet 10 inches
- (C) Radius for Inside Gear .....3 feet 1 inch
- (D) Radius for Outside Gear ..... 13 feet 8 inches

TURNING RADII ARE PREDICATED ON THE USE OF PARTIAL BRAKING ACTION AND DIFFERENTIAL POWER.

## **DESCRIPTIVE DATA**

### **ENGINES**

Two Avco Lycoming engines are installed; one O-360-A1G6D (clockwise rotating) located on the left wing, and one LO-360-A1G6D (counterclockwise rotating) located on the right wing. The engines are four-cylinder, direct-drive, horizontally opposed, and each rated at 180 horsepower at 2700 rpm.

#### **Take-off and Maximum**

Continuous Power . . . . . Full throttle, 2700 rpm

#### **Recommended Maximum**

Cruise Power . . . . . 24 in. Hg, 2700 rpm

### **PROPELLERS**

The airplane is equipped with two Hartzell, constant-speed, full-feathering, two-blade propellers: the left engine (clockwise rotating) has an HC-M2YR-2CEUF hub with FC 7666A blades and a C2285-3P spinner; the right engine (counterclockwise rotating) incorporates an HC-M2YR-2CLEUF hub with FJC 7666A blades and a C2285-3LP spinner.

Pitch settings at the 30 inch station: Low,  $12.1^\circ \pm .1^\circ$ ;  
High,  $17^\circ$  to  $20^\circ$ ; Feathered,  $81^\circ \pm 1^\circ$ .

Diameter is 76 inches, with cut-off permitted to 74.0 inches.

**FUEL**

Aviation Gasoline, grade 100 (green) or grade 100 LL (blue).

Total Capacity . . . . . 103 gallons  
Total Usable . . . . . 100 gallons

**OIL**

Engine oils must meet Avco Lycoming Specification No. 301F and be used in accordance with Avco Lycoming Service Instructions No. 1014J or subsequent revisions. Refer to HANDLING, SERVICING, AND MAINTENANCE section for a list of oils meeting this specification.

Average Ambient Air Temperature	MIL-L-6082 Grades	MIL-L-22851 Ashless Dispersant Grades
Above 60°F	SAE 50	SAE 40 or SAE 50
30° to 90°F	SAE 40	SAE 40
0° to 70°F	SAE 30	SAE 40, SAE 30 or SAE 20W40
Below 10°F	SAE 20	SAE 30 or SAE 20W30

Oil Capacity .....8 quarts each engine

**MAXIMUM CERTIFICATED WEIGHTS**

Maximum Ramp Weight . . . . . 3916 lbs  
Maximum Take-off Weight . . . . . 3900 lbs  
Maximum Landing Weight . . . . . 3900 lbs  
Maximum Zero Fuel Weight . . . . . 3500 lbs  
Maximum Weight in Baggage Compartment . . . . . 200 lbs

### **STANDARD AIRPLANE WEIGHTS**

Standard Empty Weight . . . . .	2446 lbs
Maximum Useful Load . . . . .	1470 lbs

### **CABIN AND ENTRY DIMENSIONS**

Cabin Width (maximum) . . . . .	3 ft 8 in.
Cabin Length (maximum) . . . . .	7 ft 11 in.
Cabin Height (maximum) . . . . .	4 ft
Cabin Door . . . . .	36 in. x 38 in.
Door Sill Height . . . . .	2 in.

### **BAGGAGE SPACE AND ENTRY DIMENSIONS**

Compartment Volume . . . . .	19.5 cu ft
Compartment Width (nominal) . . . . .	38 in.
Compartment Length (nominal) . . . . .	26 in.
Compartment Height (nominal) . . . . .	37 in.
Door Width (minimum) . . . . .	22 in.
Door Height (minimum) . . . . .	33 in.

### **SPECIFIC LOADINGS**

Wing Loading at Maximum Take-off Weight . . .	21.5 lbs/sq ft
Power Loading at Maximum Take-off Weight . .	10.8 lbs/hp

### **SYMBOLS, ABBREVIATIONS, AND TERMINOLOGY**

The following Abbreviations and Terminologies have been listed for convenience and ready interpretation where used within this handbook. Whenever possible, they have been categorized for ready reference.

### AIRSPEED TERMINOLOGY

- IAS                      Indicated Airspeed is the speed of an airplane as shown on its airspeed indicator. As used within this handbook IAS assumes no instrument error.
- CAS                      Calibrated Airspeed is the indicated airspeed of an airplane, corrected for position and instrument error. Calibrated airspeed is equal to true airspeed in standard atmosphere at sea level.
- TAS                      True Airspeed is the airspeed of an airplane relative to undisturbed air which is the CAS corrected for altitude, temperature, and compressibility.
- GS                        Ground Speed is the speed of an airplane relative to the ground.
- $V_{MCA}$                     Air Minimum Control Speed is the minimum flight speed at which the airplane is directionally controllable as determined in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulations. The airplane certification conditions include one engine becoming inoperative and windmilling, a 5-degree bank towards the operative engine, take-off power on operative engine, landing gear up, flaps in take-off position, and most rearward C.G. For some conditions of weight and altitude, stall can be encountered at speeds above  $V_{MCA}$  as established by the certification procedure described above, in which event stall speed must be regarded as the limit of effective directional control.

$V_{SSE}$

The Intentional One-Engine-Inoperative Speed is a speed above both  $V_{MCA}$  and stall speed, selected to provide a margin of lateral and directional control when one engine is suddenly rendered inoperative. Intentional failing of one engine below this speed is not recommended.

$V_A$

Maneuvering Speed is the maximum speed at which application of full available aerodynamic control will not overstress the airplane.

$V_F$

Design Flap Speed is the highest speed permissible at which wing flaps may be actuated.

$V_{FE}$

Maximum Flap Extended Speed is the highest speed permissible with wing flaps in a prescribed extended position.

$V_{LE}$

Maximum Landing Gear Extended Speed is the maximum speed at which an airplane can be safely flown with the landing gear extended.

$V_{LO}$

Maximum Landing Gear Operating Speed is the maximum speed at which the landing gear can be safely extended or retracted.

$V_{NE}$

Never Exceed Speed is the speed limit that may not be exceeded at any time.

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**General**

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$V_{NO}$	Maximum Structural Cruising Speed is the speed that should not be exceeded except in smooth air and then only with caution.
$V_S$	Stalling Speed or the minimum steady flight speed at which the airplane is controllable.
$V_{SO}$	Stalling Speed or the minimum steady flight speed at which the airplane is controllable in the landing configuration.
$V_X$	Best Angle-of-Climb Speed is the air-speed which delivers the greatest gain of altitude in the shortest possible horizontal distance.
$V_Y$	Best Rate-Of-Climb Speed is the air-speed which delivers the greatest gain in altitude in the shortest possible time.

**METEOROLOGICAL TERMINOLOGY**

ISA	International Standard Atmosphere in which: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) The air is a dry perfect gas;</li><li>(2) The temperature at sea level is 15° Celsius (59° Fahrenheit);</li><li>(3) The pressure at sea level is 29.92 in. Hg (1013.2 millibars);</li><li>(4) The temperature gradient from sea level to the altitude at which the temperature is -56.5°C (-69.7°F) is -0.00198°C (-0.003566°F) per foot and zero above that altitude.</li></ol>
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**OAT** Outside Air Temperature is the free air static temperature, obtained either from inflight temperature indications adjusted for instrument error and compressibility effects, or ground meteorological sources.

**Indicated Pressure Altitude** The number actually read from an altimeter when the barometric subscale has been set to 29.92 in. Hg (1013.2 millibars).

**Pressure Altitude** Altitude measured from standard sea level pressure (29.92 in. Hg) by a pressure or barometric altimeter. It is the indicated pressure altitude corrected for position and instrument error. In this handbook, altimeter instrument errors are assumed to be zero. Position errors may be obtained from the Altimeter Correction graph.

**Station Pressure** Actual atmospheric pressure at field elevation.

**Wind** The wind velocities recorded as variables on the charts of this handbook are to be understood as the headwind or tailwind components of the reported winds.

### **POWER TERMINOLOGY**

**Take-off and Maximum Continuous** Highest power rating not limited by time.

**Cruise Climb** Power recommended for cruise climb.

**ENGINE CONTROLS AND INSTRUMENTS**  
**TERMINOLOGY**

Throttle Control	The lever used to control power by introducing fuel-air mixture into the intake passages of the engine. Settings are reflected by readings on the manifold pressure gage.
Propeller Control	This lever requests the governor to maintain rpm at a selected value and, in the maximum decrease rpm position, feathers the propeller.
Mixture Control	This lever is used to set fuel flow in all modes of operation and cuts off fuel completely for engine shutdown.
Tachometer	Indicates the rotational speed of the engine/propeller in revolutions per minute (rpm).
Propeller Governor	Regulates the rpm of the engine/propeller by increasing or decreasing the propeller pitch through a pitch change mechanism in the propeller hub.
Manifold Pressure	An instrument that measures the absolute pressure in the intake manifold of an engine, expressed in inches of mercury (in. Hg).
EGT	The Exhaust Gas Temperature Indicator is used to identify the lean and best-power fuel flow mixtures for various power settings during cruise.

**AIRPLANE PERFORMANCE AND FLIGHT  
PLANNING TERMINOLOGY**

<b>Climb Gradient</b>	The ratio of the change in height during a portion of a climb, to the horizontal distance traversed, in the same time interval.
<b>Demonstrated Crosswind Velocity</b>	The demonstrated crosswind velocity is the velocity of the crosswind component for which adequate control of the airplane during takeoff and landing was actually demonstrated during certification tests. The value shown is not limiting.
<b>Accelerate-Stop Distance</b>	The distance required to accelerate an airplane to a specified speed and, assuming failure of an engine at the instant that speed is attained, to bring the airplane to a stop.
<b>Accelerate-Go Distance</b>	The distance required to accelerate an airplane to a specified speed and, assuming failure of an engine at the instant that speed is attained, feather inoperative propeller and continue takeoff on the remaining engine to a height of 50 feet.
<b>MEA</b>	Minimum Enroute IFR Altitude.
<b>Route Segment</b>	A part of a route. Each end of that part is identified by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) A geographical location; or</li><li>(2) A point at which a definite radio fix can be established.</li></ol>

**WEIGHT AND BALANCE TERMINOLOGY**

Standard Empty Weight	Weight of a standard airplane including unusable fuel, full operating fluids, and full oil.
Basic Empty Weight	Standard empty weight plus optional equipment.
Usable Fuel	Fuel available for flight planning.
Unusable Fuel	Fuel remaining after a runout test has been completed in accordance with governmental regulations.
Payload	Weight of occupants, cargo, and baggage.
Useful Load	Difference between ramp weight and basic empty weight.
Maximum Ramp Weight	Maximum weight approved for ground maneuvering. (It includes weight of start, taxi, and run-up fuel.)
Maximum Take-Off Weight	Maximum weight approved for the start of the take-off run.
Maximum Landing Weight	Maximum weight approved for the landing touchdown.
Maximum Zero Fuel Weight	Maximum weight exclusive of usable fuel.

Loading Condition	That combination of airplane weight and corresponding moment applicable to the various loadings computed for weight and balance purposes.
Reference Datum	An imaginary vertical plane from which all horizontal distances are measured for balance purposes.
Station	A location along the airplane fuselage usually given in terms of distance from the reference datum.
Arm	The horizontal distance from the reference datum to the center of gravity (CG) of an item.
Moment	The product of the weight of an item multiplied by its arm. (Moment divided by a constant is used to simplify balance calculations by reducing the number of digits.)
Airplane Center of Gravity (CG)	The point at which an airplane would balance if suspended. Its distance from the reference datum is found by dividing the total moment by the total weight of the airplane.
CG Arm	The arm obtained by adding the airplane's individual moments and dividing the sum by the total weight.
CG Limits	The extreme center of gravity locations within which the airplane must be operated at a given weight.

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**General**

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- Tare**                      The apparent weight which may be indicated by a scales before any load is applied.
- Leveling Points**              Those points which are used during the weighing process to level the airplane.
- Jack Points**                  Points on the airplane identified by the manufacturer as suitable for supporting the airplane for weighing or other purposes.

# **SECTION II**

## **LIMITATIONS**

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**Section II  
Limitations**

The limitations included in this section have been approved by the Federal Aviation Administration.

The following limitations in this section must be observed in the operation of this airplane.

**AIRSPEED LIMITATIONS**

<b>SPEED</b>	<b>CAS KTS</b>	<b>IAS KTS</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
Never Exceed VNE	194	194	Do Not Exceed This Speed in Any Operation.
Maximum Structural Cruising VNO	154	154	Do Not Exceed This Speed Except in Smooth Air and Then Only With Caution.
Maneuvering VA	132	132	Do Not Make Full or Abrupt Control Movements Above This Speed.
Maximum Flap Extension/Extended VF and VFE (Full Down 35°)	110	110	Do Not Extend Flaps or Operate With Flaps Extended Above This Speed.
Maximum Landing Gear Extended VLE	140	140	Do Not Exceed This Speed With Landing Gear Extended.
Maximum Landing Gear Operating VLO Extension Retraction	140 113	140 112	Do Not Extend or Retract Landing Gear Above This Speed.
Air Minimum Control VMCA	67	65	Minimum Speed for Directional Controllability After Sudden Loss of Engine.

**\*AIRSPEED INDICATOR MARKINGS**

<b>MARK- ING</b>	<b>CAS VALUE OR RANGE KTS</b>	<b>IAS VALUE OR RANGE KTS</b>	<b>SIGNIFICANCE</b>
White Arc	58-110	60-110	Full Flap Operating Range
Blue Radial	86	85	Single-Engine Best Rate- of-Climb
Red Radial	67	65	Minimum Single-Engine Control (VMCA)
Green Arc	68-154	70-154	Normal Operat- ing Range
Yellow Arc	154-194	154-194	Operate With Caution, Only In Smooth Air
Red Radial	194	194	Maximum Speed For All Operations (Never Exceed)

\*The airspeed indicator is marked in IAS values.

**POWER PLANT LIMITATIONS**

**ENGINES**

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**Take-off and Maximum**

Continuous Power..... Full Throttle, 2700 RPM  
 Maximum Oil Temperature ..... 245°F  
 Maximum Cylinder Head Temperature ..... 500°F

Minimum Oil Pressure (Idle).....	25 psi
Maximum Oil Pressure.....	100 psi
Minimum Fuel Pressure.....	0.5 psi
Maximum Fuel Pressure.....	8.0 psi

## FUEL

Aviation Gasoline, grade 100 (green) or grade 100 LL (blue).

## FUEL ADDITIVES

ALCOR TCP Concentrate, mixed according to the instructions provided by Alcor, Inc.

## OIL

Engine oils must meet Avco Lycoming Specification No. 301F and be used in accordance with Avco Lycoming Service Instruction No. 1014J or subsequent revisions. Refer to the Approved Engine Oils, Section VIII, SERVICING.

## PROPELLERS

Two Hartzell, constant-speed, full-feathering, two-blade propellers: the left engine (clockwise rotating) has an HC-M2YR-2CEUF hub with FC 7666A blades and C2285-3P spinner; the right engine (counterclockwise rotating) incorporates an HC-M2YR-2CLEUF hub with FJC 7666A blades and a C2285-3LP spinner.

Pitch settings at the 30-inch station: Low,  $12.1^{\circ} \pm .1^{\circ}$ ;  
High,  $17^{\circ}$  to  $20^{\circ}$ ; Feathered,  $81^{\circ} \pm 1^{\circ}$ .

Diameter is 76 inches, with cut-off permitted to 74.0 inches.

**POWER PLANT INSTRUMENT MARKINGS**

*Oil Temperature*

Caution Range (Yellow Arc).....60 to 120°F  
Normal Operating Range (Green Arc)..... 120 to 245°F  
Maximum (Red Radial) ..... 245°F

*Oil Pressure*

Minimum Idle (Red Radial)..... 25 psi  
Caution Range (Yellow Arc)..... 25 to 60 psi  
Normal Operating Range (Green Arc)..... 60 to 100 psi  
Maximum (Red Radial) ..... 100 psi

*Manifold Pressure*

Normal Operating Range (Green Arc)..... 15 to 29.6 in. Hg

*Tachometer*

Normal Operating Range  
(Green Arc) ..... 2000 to 2700 rpm  
Maximum (Red Radial) .....2700 rpm

*Fuel Pressure*

Minimum (Red Radial) ..... 0.5 psi  
Normal Operating Range (Green Arc).....0.5 to 8.0 psi  
Maximum (Red Radial) ..... 8.0 psi

*Cylinder Head Temperature*

Normal Operating Range (Green Arc).....200 to 500°F  
Maximum (Red Radial) ..... 500°F

**MISCELLANEOUS INSTRUMENT MARKINGS**

*Instrument Pressure*

Normal Operating Range (Green Arc)..... 4.3 to 5.9 in. Hg  
Red Button Source Failure Indicators

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*Fuel Quantity*

Yellow Arc.....E to 9 Gallons

**WEIGHT LIMITS**

Maximum Ramp Weight..... 3916 lbs  
Maximum Take-off Weight..... 3900 lbs  
Maximum Landing Weight ..... 3900 lbs  
Zero Fuel Weight ..... 3500 lbs  
Maximum Baggage Compartment Load ..... 200 lbs

**CENTER OF GRAVITY (Landing Gear Extended)**

Forward Limits: 106.6 inches aft of datum at 3250 lbs and under, then straight line variation to 110.6 inches aft of datum at a weight of 3900 lbs.

Aft Limit: 117.5 inches aft of datum at all weights.

Reference Datum: 129.37 inches forward of the center of wing spar jack points.

MAC Leading Edge: 99.08 inches aft of datum.

MAC Length: 57.65 inches.

**MANEUVERS**

This is a normal category airplane. Acrobatic maneuvers, including spins, are prohibited.

Maximum slip duration..... 30 seconds

**FLIGHT LOAD FACTORS (3900 POUNDS)**

Positive maneuvering load factors:

Flaps Up..... 3.8G  
Flaps Down (DN)..... 2.0G

Negative maneuvering load factor:

Flaps Up..... - 1.52G

**MINIMUM FLIGHT CREW**..... One pilot

**KINDS OF OPERATION**

This airplane is approved for the following type operations when the required equipment is installed and operational as defined herein:

1. VFR day and night
2. IFR day and night
3. FAR 91 operations when all pertinent limitations and performance considerations are complied with.

**WARNING**

**FLIGHT IN ICING CONDITIONS PROHIBITED.**

**FUEL**

*TOTAL FUEL with left and right wing fuel systems full:*

Capacity..... 103 gallons\*  
Usable ..... 100 gallons

\*Value given is nominal. Tank capacity will vary with temperature, and manufacturing tolerances.

**FUEL MANAGEMENT**

Do not take off when Fuel Quantity Indicators indicate in the yellow band on either indicator.

Maximum slip duration is 30 seconds.

The fuel crossfeed system to be used during emergency conditions in level flight only.

**SEATING**

All occupied seats must be in the upright position for takeoff and landing.

**STRUCTURAL LIFE**

The basic wing structure has a substantiated life of 20,000 flight hours provided the mandatory inspection requirements of chapter four of the BEECHCRAFT DUCHESS 76 MAINTENANCE MANUAL are complied with.

**REQUIRED EQUIPMENT FOR VARIOUS CONDITIONS OF FLIGHT**

Part 91 of the Federal Aviation Regulations specifies minimum numbers and types of airplane instruments and equipment which must be installed and operated for various kinds of flight conditions. This includes VFR day, VFR night, IFR day and IFR night.

Regulations also require that all airplanes be certified by the manufacturer for operations under various flight conditions. At certification, all required equipment must be in operating condition and should be maintained to assure continued airworthiness. If deviations from the installed equipment were not permitted, or if the operating rules did not provide for various flight conditions, the airplane could not be flown unless all equipment were operable. With appropriate limitations, the operation of every system or component installed in the airplane is not necessary when the remaining operative instruments and equipment provide for continued safe operation. Operation in accordance with limitations established to maintain airworthiness can permit continued or uninterrupted operation of the airplane.

For the sake of brevity, the Required Equipment Listing does not include obviously required items such as wings, rudder, flaps, engines, landing gear, etc. Also the list does not include items which do not affect the airworthiness of the airplane such as entertainment systems, passenger convenience items, etc. However, it is important to note that **ALL ITEMS WHICH ARE RELATED TO THE AIRWORTHINESS OF THE AIRPLANE AND NOT INCLUDED ON THE LIST ARE AUTOMATICALLY REQUIRED TO BE OPERATIVE.**

To enable the pilot to rapidly determine the FAA equipment requirements necessary for a flight into specific conditions, the following equipment requirements and exceptions are presented. It is the final responsibility of the pilot to determine whether the lack of, or inoperative status of a piece of equipment on the airplane, will limit the conditions under which the pilot may operate the airplane.

**LEGEND**

Numbers refer to quantities required to be operative for a specified condition.

- (-) Indicates that the item may be inoperative for the specified condition.
- (\*) Refers to the REMARKS AND/OR EXCEPTIONS column for explicit information or reference.

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	VFR Night	IFR Day	IFR Night	
<b>GENERAL OVERWATER FLIGHT</b>	*	*	*	* * *Per FAR 91.
<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>				
VHF communications system	*	*	*	* - *Per FAR 91
<b>ELECTRICAL POWER</b>				
Battery system	1	1	1	-
DC alternator	2	2	2	-
DC loadmeter	2	2	2	-

Alternator-out overvoltage indicator light	2	2	2	2	2	-
Alternator-out undervoltage indicator light	2	2	2	2	2	-
Starter Engaged Warning Light (ME-333, ME-346 and after)	1	1	1	1	1	- May be inoperative provided loadmeters are operative and monitored.
<b>EQUIPMENT AND FURNISHINGS</b>						
Seat belts and shoulder harnesses	1	1	1	1	1	- Per Person or Per FAR 91
Emergency locator transmitter	1	1	1	1	1	- Per FAR 91
<b>FIRE PROTECTION</b>						
Portable fire extinguisher	*	*	*	*	*	- *Optional



<b>FUEL EQUIPMENT</b>						
Engine driven fuel pump	2	2	2	2	2	-
Electrically driven aux fuel pump	2	2	2	2	2	-
Fuel quantity indicator	2	2	2	2	2	-
						One may be inoperative provided other side is operational and amount of fuel on board can be established to be adequate for the intended flight.
Fuel pressure indicator	2	2	2	2	2	-
<b>ICE AND RAIN PROTECTION</b>						
Alternate static air source	1	1	1	1	1	-
Pitot heater	-	-	1	1	1	-

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	VFR Night	IFR Day	IFR Night	
<b>LANDING GEAR</b>				
Landing gear motor	1	1	1	
Landing gear position lights	4	4	4	
Landing gear warning horn	1	1	1	
<b>LIGHTS</b>				
Cockpit and instrument lights	-	*	*	* Lights must be operative
Taxi Light (2)	-	-	-	

Landing light (1)	-	*	-	*	-	* Per FAR 91
Strobe light	-	*	-	2	-	* Optional
Position light	-	-	-	3	-	
<b>NAVIGATION INSTRUMENTS</b>						
Altimeter	1	1	1	1	-	
Airspeed indicator	1	1	1	1	-	
Vertical speed	-	-	-	-	-	
Magnetic compass	1	1	1	1	-	
Attitude indicator	-	-	-	1	-	
Turn and slip indicator	-	-	-	1	-	
Directional gyro	-	-	-	1	-	
Clock	-	-	-	1	-	
Transponder	*	*	*	*	-	* Per FAR 91
Navigation equipment	-	-	-	-	-	* Per FAR 91

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	VFR Night	IFR Day	IFR Night	
<b>PNEUMATIC</b>				
Pressure system for instrument air	-	1	1	
Pressure gage	-	1	1	
<b>ENGINE INDICATING INSTRUMENTS</b>				
Engine tachometer indicator	2	2	2	
Exhaust gas temperature indicator	*	*	*	*Optional




**PLACARDS**

*On Left Cabin Door (ME-1 thru ME-282, ME-284 thru ME-286) or On Left Cabin Sidewall (ME-283, ME-287 and after):*

<b>OPERATION LIMITATIONS</b>	
THIS AIRPLANE MUST BE OPERATED AS A NORMAL CATEGORY AIRPLANE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPERATING LIMITATION STATED IN THE FORM OF PLACARDS, MARKINGS AND MANUALS. MAXIMUM WEIGHT IS 3900 LBS. THIS AIRPLANE APPROVED FOR VFR, IFR, DAY AND NIGHT NON-ICING FLIGHT WHEN EQUIPPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH FAR 91 OR FAR 135.	
NO ACROBATIC MANEUVERS INCLUDING SPINS APPROVED.	
<b>WARNING</b> — TURN OFF STROBE LIGHTS WHEN TAXIING IN VICINITY OF OTHER AIRCRAFT OR DURING FLIGHT THROUGH CLOUD, FOG OR HAZE.	
<b>AIRSPEDS</b>	
NEVER EXCEED	194 KNOTS
MAX. STRUCTURAL CRUISE	154 KNOTS
MAX. MANEUVERING	132 KNOTS
MAX. FLAPS 20°	120 KNOTS
MAX. FULL DOWN FLAPS 35°	110 KNOTS
MAX. LANDING GEAR EXTENSION	140 KNOTS
MAX. LANDING GEAR RETRACTION	113 KNOTS
ALTITUDE LOST IN ONE ENGINE INOP STALL & 10° PITCH DOWN	150 FEET

*Lower Sidewall Adjacent to Pilot:*

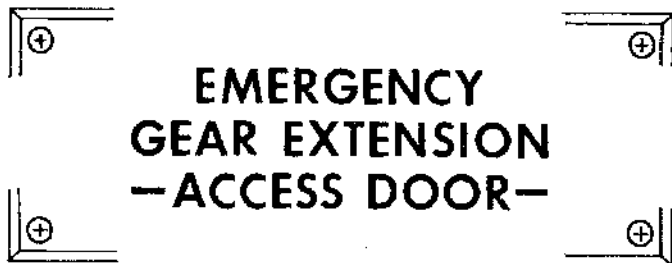
<b>WARNING</b>	
ALTERNATE STATIC AIR SOURCE ON ALTERNATE	
SEE PERFORMANCE SECTION OF PILOTS OPERATING HANDBOOK FOR AIRSPEED & ALTIMETER CALIBRATION ERROR	
	OFF NORMAL

**PLACARDS (Cont'd)**

*On Left Cabin Door:*



*On Floorboard in Front of Pilot's Seat:*



*On Inside of Emergency Gear Extension Access Door:*



1. Landing Gear Motor Circuit Breaker - OFF (Pull)
2. Gear Position Switch - DOWN
3. Maximum Indicated Airspeed - 100 KNOTS

4. Emergency Extension Valve - OPEN  
(Use Handle - Turn Counterclockwise)

*On Lower Left Sidewall Panel:*

**TO LEVEL AIRCRAFT — LEVEL  
BAGGAGE COMPARTMENT FLOOR**

*On Left Side Panel:*

**DEFROST  
PULL ON**

**CABIN AIR  
PULL OFF**

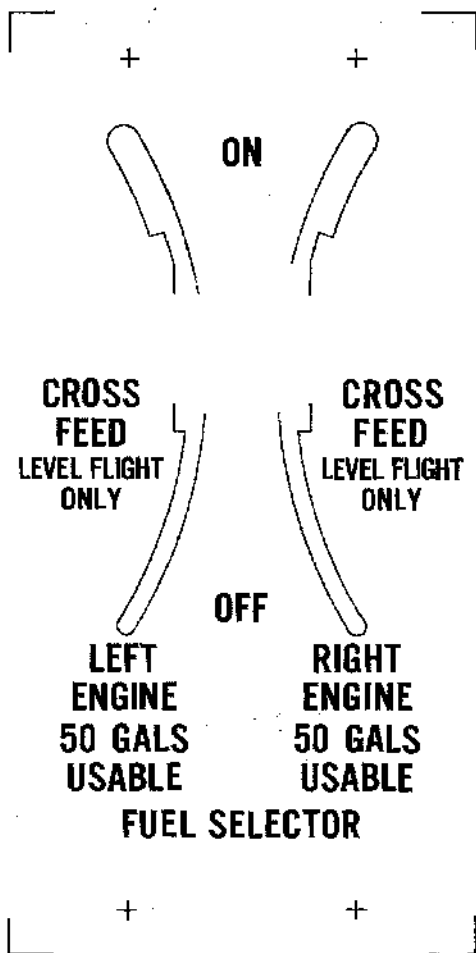
**CABIN HEAT  
PULL INCREASE**

*On Aft Cabin Bulkhead:*

**HAT SHELF  
NO HEAVY OBJECTS**

**PLACARDS (Cont'd)**

*On Fuel Selector Panel:*



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*On Pedestal :*

**OFF  
CARB  
HEAT  
ON**

**C  
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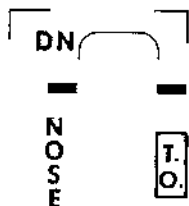
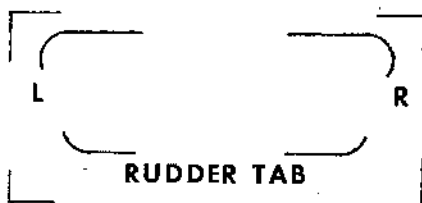
**COWL  
FLAP**

**MIC  
+**

**PHONE  
+**

**PLACARDS (Cont'd)**

*On Pedestal Between Front Seats:*



*Adjacent to Each Seat:*

**INSTRUCTION-SHOULDER STRAP**

- 1. OCCUPANTS SHORTER THAN  
4 FT. 7 IN. **DO NOT** USE  
SHOULDER STRAP.**
- 2. PLACE SEAT BACK IN THE  
UPRIGHT POSITION DURING  
TAKEOFF AND LANDING.**

*On Baggage Door Adjacent to Handle:*

**PULL PIN  
ROTATE  
HANDLE  
TO OPEN**



*On Baggage Compartment Door:*

**BAGGAGE COMPARTMENT  
LOAD IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH WEIGHT AND BALANCE  
INSTRUCTION  
MAXIMUM STRUCTURAL  
CAPACITY - 200 POUNDS**

# **SECTION III**

## **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

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*All airspeeds quoted in this section are indicated airspeeds (IAS) and assume zero instrument error.*

**EMERGENCY AIRSPEEDS (3900 LBS)**

One-Engine-Inoperative Best	
Angle-of-Climb ( $V_X$ ) .....	85 kts
One-Engine-Inoperative Best	
Rate-of-Climb ( $V_Y$ ) .....	85 kts
Air Minimum Control Speed ( $V_{MCA}$ ) .....	65 kts
One-Engine-Inoperative	
Enroute Climb .....	85 kts
Emergency Descent .....	140 kts
One-Engine-Inoperative Landing:	
Maneuvering to Final Approach .....	90 kts
Final Approach (Flaps Down) .....	85 kts
Intentional One-Engine-Inoperative	
Speed ( $V_{SSE}$ ) .....	71 kts
Maximum Glide Range .....	95 kts

*Stall warning horn is inoperative when the Battery and Alternator Switches are turned off.*

The following information is presented to enable the pilot to form, in advance, a definite plan of action for coping with the most probable emergency situations which could occur in the operation of the airplane. Where practicable, the emergencies requiring immediate corrective action are treated in check list form for easy reference and familiarization. Other situations, in which more time is usually permitted to decide on and execute a plan of action, are discussed at some length.

**ONE-ENGINE OPERATION**

Two major factors govern one engine operations; airspeed and directional control. The airplane can be safely maneuvered or trimmed for normal hands-off operation and sustained in this configuration by the operative engine **AS LONG AS SUFFICIENT AIRSPEED IS MAINTAINED.**

## **DETERMINING INOPERATIVE ENGINE**

*The following checks will help determine which engine has failed:*

1. **DEAD FOOT - DEAD ENGINE.** The rudder pressure required to maintain directional control will be on the side of the operative engine.
2. **THROTTLE.** Partially retard the throttle for the engine that is believed to be inoperative; there should be no change in control pressures or in the sound of the engine if the correct throttle has been selected. **AT LOW ALTITUDE AND AIRSPEED THIS CHECK MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH EXTREME CAUTION.**

Do not attempt to determine the inoperative engine by means of the tachometers or the manifold pressure gages. These instruments often indicate near normal readings.

## **ONE-ENGINE-INOPERATIVE PROCEDURES**

### **ENGINE FAILURE DURING GROUND ROLL**

1. Throttles - **IDLE**
2. Braking - **MAXIMUM**
3. Fuel Selectors - **OFF**
4. Battery, Alternator, and Magneto/Start Switches - **OFF**

### **NOTE**

Braking effectiveness is improved if the brakes are not locked.

### **ENGINE FAILURE AFTER LIFT-OFF AND IN FLIGHT**

An immediate landing is advisable regardless of take-off weight. Continued flight can not be assured if take-off weight exceeds the weight determined from the TAKE-OFF WEIGHT graph. Higher take-off weights will result in a loss of altitude while retracting the landing gear and feathering the propeller. Continued flight requires immediate pilot response to the following procedures:

1. Landing Gear and Flaps - UP
2. Throttle (inoperative engine) - IDLE
3. Propeller (inoperative engine) - FEATHER
4. Power (operative engine) - AS REQUIRED
5. Airspeed - AT OR ABOVE THE 50-FT TAKE-OFF SPEED (80 KNOTS)

*After positive control of the airplane is established:*

6. Secure inoperative engine:
  - a. Mixture Control - IDLE CUT-OFF
  - b. Fuel Selector - OFF
  - c. Aux Fuel Pump - OFF
  - d. Magneto/Start Switch - OFF
  - e. Alternator Switch - OFF
  - f. Cowl Flap - CLOSE
7. Airspeed - ESTABLISH 85 KTS
8. Electrical Load - MONITOR (Maximum load of 100% on remaining engine)

#### **NOTE**

The most important aspect of engine failure is the necessity to maintain lateral and directional control. If airspeed is below 65 knots, reduce power on operative engine as required to maintain control. Refer to the SAFETY INFORMATION section for additional information regarding pilot technique.

**AIR START**

**CAUTION**

The pilot should determine the reason for engine failure before attempting an air start.

**NOTE**

Airspeed should be maintained at or above 100 KIAS to ensure the engine will windmill.

**WITH UNFEATHERING ACCUMULATORS:**

1. Fuel Selector - ON
2. Throttle - SET approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  travel
3. Aux Fuel Pump - ON
4. Magneto/Start Switch - BOTH
5. Propeller Control - MOVE FULL FORWARD UNTIL ENGINE WINDMILLS, THEN BACK TO MIDRANGE. USE STARTER MOMENTARILY IF AIRSPEED IS BELOW 100 KTS.

If propeller does not unfeather or engine does not turn, proceed to WITHOUT UNFEATHERING ACCUMULATORS procedure.

6. Mixture - FULL RICH
7. If engine fails to run, clear engine by allowing it to windmill with mixture in the FULL LEAN position. When engine fires, advance mixture to FULL RICH.
8. When Engine Starts - ADJUST THROTTLE, PROPELLER, AND MIXTURE CONTROLS
9. Aux Fuel Pump - OFF (when reliable power has been regained)
10. Alternator Switch - ON
11. Oil Pressure and Oil Temperature - CHECK
12. Warm Up Engine (approximately 2000 rpm and 15 in. HG)
13. Set power as required and trim.

*WITHOUT UNFEATHERING ACCUMULATORS:*

**CAUTION**

Numerous air starts without unfeathering accumulators can shorten engine-mount life.

1. Fuel Selector - ON
2. Throttle - SET approximately ¼ travel
3. Aux Fuel Pump - ON
4. Magneto/Start Switch - BOTH
5. Mixture - FULL RICH
6. Propeller Control - MOVE FORWARD OF FEATHERING DETENT TO MIDRANGE
7. Magneto/Start Switch - START and PUSH TO PRIME (hold on START until windmilling begins and continue to prime as required)

**NOTE**

If air start is unsuccessful, return propeller control to the FEATHER position and secure engine.

8. When Engine Starts - ADJUST THROTTLE, PROPELLER, AND MIXTURE CONTROLS
9. Aux Fuel Pump - OFF (when reliable power has been regained)
10. Alternator Switch - ON
11. Oil Pressure and Oil Temperature - CHECK
12. Warm Up Engine (approximately 2000 rpm and 15 in. Hg)
13. Set power as required and trim.

**ENGINE FIRE (GROUND)**

1. Mixture Controls - IDLE CUT-OFF
2. Continue to crank affected engine
3. Fuel Selectors - OFF
4. Battery and Alternator Switches - OFF
5. Extinguish fire with extinguisher

**ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT**

Shut down the affected engine according to the following procedure and land immediately. Follow the applicable single-engine procedures in this section.

1. Fuel Selector - OFF
2. Mixture Control - IDLE CUT-OFF
3. Propeller - FEATHER
4. Aux Fuel Pump - OFF
5. Magneto/Start Switch - OFF
6. Alternator Switch - OFF

**EMERGENCY DESCENT**

1. Propellers - 2700 RPM
2. Throttles - IDLE
3. Airspeed - 140 KTS
4. Landing Gear - DOWN

**MAXIMUM GLIDE CONFIGURATION**

1. Propellers - FEATHER
2. Wing Flaps - UP
3. Landing Gear - UP
4. Cowl Flaps - CLOSE
5. Airspeed - 95 KTS

The glide ratio in this configuration is approximately 2 nautical miles of gliding distance for each 1000 feet of altitude above the terrain.

## **LANDING EMERGENCIES**

### **GEAR-UP LANDING**

*If possible, choose firm sod or foamed runway. When assured of reaching the landing site:*

1. Cowl Flaps - CLOSE
2. Wing Flaps - FULL DOWN (DN)
3. Throttles - IDLE
4. Mixture Controls - IDLE CUT-OFF
5. Battery, Alternator, and Magneto/Start Switches - OFF
6. Fuel Selectors - OFF
7. Keep wings level during touchdown.
8. Get clear of the airplane as soon as possible after it stops.

### **NOTE**

The gear-up landing procedures are based on the best available information and no actual tests have been conducted.

### **ONE-ENGINE-INOPERATIVE LANDING**

*On final approach and when it is certain that the field can be reached:*

1. Landing Gear - DOWN
2. Airspeed - 85 KTS
3. Power - AS REQUIRED

*When it is certain there is no possibility of go-around:*

4. Wing Flaps - FULL DOWN (DN)
5. Execute normal landing.

### **ONE-ENGINE-INOPERATIVE GO-AROUND**

#### **WARNING**

Level flight may not be possible for certain combinations of weight, temperature and altitude. In any event, DO NOT attempt a one-engine inoperative go-around after flaps have been fully extended.

1. Power - MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE
2. Landing Gear - UP
3. Wing Flaps - UP
4. Airspeed - MAINTAIN 85 KTS MINIMUM

### **SYSTEMS EMERGENCIES**

#### **OPERATION ON CROSSFEED**

#### **NOTE**

The fuel crossfeed system is to be used during emergency conditions in level flight only.

*Left Engine Inoperative:*

1. Right Aux Fuel Pump - ON
2. Left Fuel Selector - OFF
3. Right Fuel Selector - CROSSFEED
4. Right Aux Fuel Pump - ON or OFF as required

*Right Engine Inoperative:*

1. Left Aux Fuel Pump - ON
2. Right Fuel Selector - OFF
3. Left Fuel Selector - CROSSFEED
4. Left Aux Fuel Pump - ON or OFF as required

**ELECTRICAL SMOKE OR FIRE**

*Action to be taken must consider existing conditions and equipment installed:*

1. Battery and Alternator Switches - OFF

**WARNING**

Electrically driven instruments and stall warning horn will become inoperative.

2. All Electrical Switches - OFF
3. Battery and Alternator Switches - ON
4. Essential Electrical Equipment - ON (Isolate defective equipment)

**NOTE**

Ensure fire is out and will not be aggravated by draft. Turn off CABIN HEAT switch and push in the CABIN AIR control. To aid in smoke evacuation, open pilot's storm window if required.

COMPLETE LOSS OF ELECTRICAL POWER

*INDICATIONS*

1. Dimming of lights, with loadmeters showing 100% or much greater than normal, or loadmeters showing 0% accompanied by no ALTERNATOR-OUT Lights.

*ACTION*

1. Both Alternator Switches - OFF
2. Battery Switch - OFF
3. Both BUS-ISO Circuit Breakers - PULL
4. Remove all electrical loads.
5. Both Alternator Switches - ON.
6. Minimize all electrical loads. Select only that electrical equipment which is essential for safe flight.
7. Extend landing gear with emergency system.
8. LAND AS SOON AS PRACTICAL; HAVE THE COMPLETE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM CHECKED BEFORE THE NEXT FLIGHT.

*CAUTION*

Since the battery is off line when this procedure is used, large changes in electrical load should be minimized in order to reduce the possibility of damage to electrical components.

**ILLUMINATION OF ALTERNATOR-OUT LIGHT**

*In the event of the illumination of a single ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE light or a single ALTERNATOR-OUT OVERVOLTAGE light:*

Check the respective loadmeter for load indication:

- a. No Load - Turn off affected alternator.
- b. Reduce load to single alternator capability.
- c. Reset the affected alternator with the alternator switch. Monitor overvoltage and undervoltage lights and loadmeter for proper operation.

**CAUTION**

If proper operation is not restored, turn alternator switch OFF.

*In the event of the illumination of both ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE lights or both ALTERNATOR-OUT OVERVOLTAGE lights:*

Check loadmeters for load indication. If condition indicates malfunction of both alternator circuits:

- a. Both ALT Switches - OFF
- b. Minimize electrical load since only battery power will be available.
- c. Reset the alternators with the alternator switches. Monitor overvoltage and undervoltage lights and loadmeters for proper operation.

**CAUTION**

If proper operation is not restored, turn alternator switches OFF.

**STARTER ENGAGED WARNING LIGHT ILLUMINATED**  
(If installed)

After engine start, should the starter relay remain engaged, the starter will remain energized and the starter engaged warning light will remain illuminated. Continuing to supply power to the starter will result in eventual loss of electrical power.

*Illuminated On the Ground:*

1. Battery and Alternator Switches - OFF
2. Do not take off

*Illuminated In Flight After Air Start:*

1. Perform action for COMPLETE LOSS OF ELECTRICAL POWER (see this section)
2. Land as soon as practical

**UNSCHEDULED ELECTRIC ELEVATOR TRIM**

1. Airplane Attitude - MAINTAIN using elevator control.
2. Elevator Trim Thumb Switch (on control wheel) - DEPRESS AND MOVE IN DIRECTION OPPOSITE UNSCHEDULED PITCH TRIM.
3. Elevator Trim ON-OFF Switch (on instrument panel) - OFF
4. Manual Elevator Trim Control Wheel - RETRIM AS DESIRED

**NOTE**

Do not attempt to operate the electric trim system until the cause of the malfunction has been determined and corrected.

**LANDING GEAR MANUAL EXTENSION**

Reduce airspeed before attempting manual extension of the landing gear.

1. Landing GEAR MOTOR Circuit Breaker - OFF (pull out)
2. Landing Gear Switch Handle - DOWN position
3. Airspeed - 100 KTS MAXIMUM
4. Emergency Extension Valve - OPEN (Use Emergency Extension Wrench - Turn Counterclockwise)
5. If electrical system is operative, check landing gear position lights and warning horn. (Check Landing GEAR CONTROL circuit breaker engaged.)

**WARNING**

After emergency landing gear extension, do not move any landing gear controls or reset any switches or circuit breakers until airplane is on jacks, as failure may have been in the gear-up circuit and gear might retract with the airplane on the ground.

**LANDING GEAR RETRACTION AFTER PRACTICE MANUAL EXTENSION**

After practice manual extension of the landing gear, the gear can only be retracted electrically, as follows:

**CAUTION**

Do not operate landing gear electrically, or turn on landing light or taxi light, if battery is off the line.

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1. Emergency Extension Valve - CLOSE (Use Emergency Extension Wrench - Turn Clockwise)
2. Landing GEAR MOTOR Circuit Breaker - ON (push in)
3. Landing Gear Switch Handle - UP

**ALTERNATE STATIC AIR SOURCE**

THE ALTERNATE STATIC AIR SOURCE SHOULD BE USED FOR CONDITIONS WHERE THE NORMAL STATIC SOURCE HAS BEEN OBSTRUCTED. When the airplane has been exposed to moisture and/or icing conditions (especially on the ground), the possibility of obstructed static ports should be considered. Partial obstruction will result in the rate-of-climb indication being sluggish during a climb or descent. Verification of suspected obstruction is possible by switching to the alternate system and noting a sudden sustained change in rate of climb. This may be accompanied by abnormal indicated airspeed and altitude changes beyond normal calibration differences.

Whenever any obstruction exists in the Normal Static Air System, or the Alternate Static Air System is desired for use:

1. Pilot's Alternate Static Air Source - Switch to ON ALTERNATE (lower sidewall adjacent to pilot)
2. For Airspeed Calibration and Altimeter Correction, refer to PERFORMANCE section.

**NOTE**

The alternate static air valve should remain in the OFF NORMAL position when system is not needed.

**EMERGENCY EXIT**

The forward cabin doors and/or the aft utility door may be used for egress if required.

**SIMULATED ONE-ENGINE INOPERATIVE**

*ZERO THRUST (Simulated Feather)*

Use the following power setting (only on one engine at a time) to establish zero thrust. Use of this power setting avoids the difficulties of restarting an engine and preserves the availability of power to counter potential hazards.

1. Throttle Lever - SET 8.0 in. Hg MANIFOLD PRESSURE
2. Propeller Lever - RETARD TO FEATHER DETENT

**NOTE**

This setting will approximate Zero Thrust using recommended one-engine-inoperative climb speeds.

**UNLATCHED DOOR IN FLIGHT**

If the cabin door is not secured it may come unlatched in flight. This usually occurs during or just after takeoff. The door will trail in a position approximately 3 inches open. A buffet may be encountered with the door open in flight. Return to the field in a normal manner. If practicable, during the landing flare-out have a passenger hold the door to prevent it from swinging open.

**SPINS**

*If a Spin is Entered Inadvertently:*

Immediately move the control column full forward, apply full rudder opposite to the direction of the spin and reduce power on both engines to idle. These three actions should be done as nearly simultaneously as possible; then continue to hold this control position until rotation stops and then neutralize all controls and execute a smooth pullout. Ailerons should be neutral during recovery.

**NOTE**

Federal Aviation Administration Regulations do not require spin demonstration of airplanes of this class; therefore, no spin tests have been conducted. The recovery technique is based on the best available information.

# **SECTION IV**

## **NORMAL PROCEDURES**

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*All airspeeds quoted in this section are indicated airspeeds (IAS) and assume zero instrument error.*

**SPEEDS FOR SAFE OPERATION (3900 LBS)**

Maximum Demonstrated Crosswind Component..... 25 kts

Takeoff:

Lift-off..... 71 kts

50-ft Speed..... 80 kts

Two-Engine Best Angle-of-Climb ( $V_X$ )..... 71 kts

Two-Engine Best Rate-of-Climb ( $V_Y$ )..... 85 kts

Cruise Climb..... 100 kts

Turbulent Air Penetration..... 132 kts

Landing Approach:

Flaps UP..... 87 kts

Flaps DOWN (DN)..... 76 kts

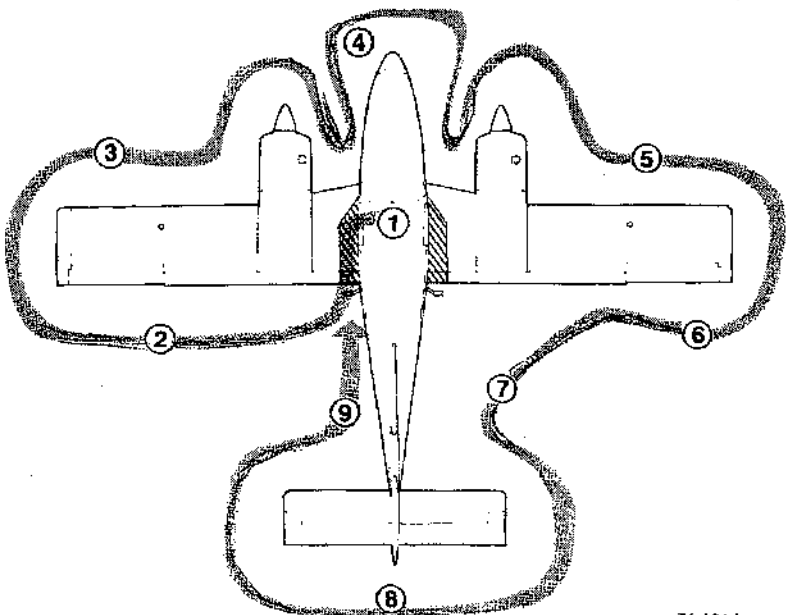
Balked Landing Climb..... 71 kts

Intentional One-Engine-Inoperative

Speed ( $V_{SSE}$ )..... 71 kts

Air Minimum Control Speed ( $V_{MCA}$ )..... 65 kts

**PREFLIGHT INSPECTION**



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**1. COCKPIT**

- a. Control Lock - REMOVE AND STOW
- b. Parking Brake - SET
- c. All Switches - OFF
- d. Trim Tabs - SET TO ZERO
- e. Flush-type Fuel Drain/Emergency Gear Extension Tool - OBTAIN (refer to SYSTEMS section for information pertaining to flush-type fuel drains). This tool can also be used for opening the oil and fuel filler caps.

**2. LEFT WING TRAILING EDGE**

- a. Flap - CHECK GENERAL CONDITION
- b. Fuel Vent - CHECK, UNOBSTRUCTED
- c. Aileron - CHECK GENERAL CONDITION AND FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT
- d. Wing Tip - CHECK
- e. Position and Strobe Light - CHECK

**3. LEFT WING LEADING EDGE**

- a. Pitot - REMOVE COVER, EXAMINE FOR OBSTRUCTIONS
- b. Landing and Taxi Light - CHECK
- c. Stall Warning Vane - CHECK FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT
- d. Fuel Tank - CHECK QUANTITY; Cap - SECURE
- e. Tiedown and Chocks - REMOVE
- f. Flush-type Fuel Sump - DRAIN (use fuel-drain tool)
- g. Fuel Selector - DRAIN
- h. Engine Cowling - CHECK CONDITION AND SECURITY

- i. Air Intakes - CLEAR
- j. Propeller - EXAMINE FOR NICKS, SECURITY, AND OIL LEAKS
- k. Engine Oil - CHECK QUANTITY; Cap and Door - SECURE
- l. Cowl Flap - CHECK
- m. Wheel Well, Door, Tire, Brake Line, and Strut - CHECK
- n. Flush-type Crossfeed Fuel Drains (2) - DRAIN (use fuel-drain tool)

**4. NOSE SECTION**

- a. Nose Cowling and Nose Cone - CHECK CONDITION AND SECURITY
- b. Heater Air Intake - CLEAR
- c. Heater Exhaust and Vents - CLEAR
- d. Wheel Well, Doors, Tire, and Strut - CHECK

**5. RIGHT WING LEADING EDGE**

- a. Flush-type Crossfeed Fuel Drains (2) - DRAIN (use fuel-drain tool)
- b. Wheel Well, Door, Tire, Brake Line, and Strut - CHECK
- c. Engine Cowling - CHECK CONDITION AND SECURITY
- d. Air Intakes - CLEAR
- e. Propeller - EXAMINE FOR NICKS, SECURITY, AND OIL LEAKS
- f. Engine Oil - CHECK QUANTITY; Cap and Door - SECURE

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- g. Cowl Flap - CHECK
- h. Fuel Selector - DRAIN
- i. Flush-type Fuel Sump - DRAIN
- j. Tiedown and Chocks - REMOVE
- k. Fuel Tank - CHECK QUANTITY; Cap - SECURE
- l. Stall Warning Vane - CHECK FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT
- m. Taxi Light - CHECK
- n. Wing Tip - CHECK
- o. Position and Strobe Light - CHECK

**6. RIGHT WING TRAILING EDGE**

- a. Aileron - CHECK CONDITION AND FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT
- b. Fuel Vent - CHECK, UNOBSTRUCTED
- c. Flap - CHECK GENERAL CONDITION

**7. FUSELAGE RIGHT SIDE**

- a. Battery Vents - CHECK, UNOBSTRUCTED
- b. Static Port - CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS
- c. Emergency Locator Transmitter - ARMED

**8. EMPENNAGE**

- a. Control Surfaces and Trim Tabs - CHECK
- b. Tail Cone and Position Light - CHECK
- c. Tiedown - REMOVE
- d. Cabin Air Inlet - CHECK

**9. FUSELAGE LEFT SIDE**

- a. Static Port - CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS
- b. Cabin Air Outlet - CHECK
- c. All Antennas - CHECK
- d. Load Distribution - CHECK AND SECURE
- e. Aft Utility Door - CHECK SECURE

**NOTE**

Check operation of lights if night flight is anticipated.

**BEFORE STARTING**

1. Fuel Drain/Emergency Extension Tool - STOW
2. Seats - POSITION AND LOCK; Seat Backs - UPRIGHT
3. Seat Belts and Shoulder Harnesses - FASTEN
4. Parking Brake - SET
5. All Avionics - OFF
6. Circuit Breakers - IN
7. Landing Gear Handle - DOWN
8. Carburetor Heat - OFF (up position)
9. Cowl Flap Controls - OPEN (down position)
10. Fuel Selectors - CHECK OPERATION, THEN ON
11. Light Switches - OFF
12. Battery and Alternator Switches - ON
13. Fuel Quantity Indicators - CHECK QUANTITY (See LIMITATIONS for take-off fuel)
14. Landing Gear Position Lights - CHECK

**EXTERNAL POWER**

The following precautions shall be observed while using external power:

**CAUTION**

Exercise caution when connecting the external power cable to prevent shorting the battery to the airframe or arcing the clamps of the cable together.

1. Make certain the battery switch is ON and all avionics, and electrical switches are OFF, and a battery is in the system before connecting an external power unit. This protects the voltage regulators and associated electrical equipment from voltage transients (power fluctuations).
2. The airplane has a negative ground system. Be sure to connect the positive lead of the auxiliary power unit to the positive terminal of the airplane's external power receptacle and the negative lead of the auxiliary power unit to the negative terminal of the external power receptacle.
3. To prevent arcing, make certain no power is being supplied when the connection is made.

**STARTING ENGINES USING AUXILIARY POWER UNIT**

1. Battery Switch - ON
2. Alternators, Electrical and Avionics Equipment - OFF
3. Auxiliary Power Unit - CONNECT
4. Auxiliary Power Unit - SET OUTPUT 13.5 to 14.25 volts (If 28-volt system - SET OUTPUT 27.0 to 28.5 volts)

5. Auxiliary Power Unit - ON
6. Left Engine - START (use normal start procedures)
7. Auxiliary Power Unit - OFF (after engine has been started)
8. Auxiliary Power Unit - DISCONNECT (before starting right engine)
9. Alternator Switches - ON

### **STARTING**

1. Battery Switch - ON; Both ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE Lights - ILLUMINATED
2. Mixture - FULL RICH
3. Propeller - HIGH RPM (Low Pitch)
4. Throttle - FAST IDLE (1/4 Travel)
5. Aux Fuel Pump - ON
6. Magneto/Start Switch - Engage starter - PUSH TO PRIME as engine is cranking - Release to BOTH position when engine starts.

### **WARNING**

Do not pump throttles during starting procedures.

#### *Hot Start (Engine Hot)*

- a. Mixture - FULL RICH
- b. Throttle - FAST IDLE (1/4 Travel)
- c. Fuel Boost Pump - OFF
- d. Starter - ENGAGE (Do Not Prime)

#### *Flooded Engine:*

- a. Mixture - IDLE CUT-OFF
- b. Throttle - FAST IDLE (1/4 Travel)

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- c. Starter - ENGAGE (After 2 to 3 seconds prime briefly, intermittently)
- d. Mixture - ADVANCE TO FULL RICH when engine starts.

**CAUTION**

Maximum starter engage duty cycle is 30 seconds ON, followed by a minimum of two minutes OFF.

- 7. Engine Warm-up - 1000 to 1200 RPM
- 8. Oil Pressure - ABOVE RED RADIAL WITHIN 30 SECONDS
- 9. External Power (if used) - DISCONNECT
- 10. Alternator Switch - ON; CHECK FOR CHARGING
- 11. Starter Engaged Warning Light (if installed) - CHECK; should be illuminated during start and extinguished after start.
- 12. Using same procedure, start other engine.
- 13. Left Alternator Switch and Battery Switch - OFF. Check for Left ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE Light illuminated, and an indication of less than 75% (14-volt system) or 40% (28-volt system) on the right loadmeter.
- 14. Left Alternator Switch and Battery Switch - ON.
- 15. Right Alternator Switch and Battery Switch - OFF. Check for Right ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE Light illuminated, and an indication of less than 75% (14-volt system) or 40% (28-volt system) on the left loadmeter.
- 16. Right Alternator Switch and Battery Switch - ON.

**CAUTION**

If the starter engaged warning light remains illuminated after starting, or the loadmeters and/or ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE lights do not indicate/illuminate properly, an electrical malfunction is indicated. The battery switch and both alternator switches should be placed in the OFF position. Do not take off.

If the starter engaged warning light is not installed or is inoperative, and the loadmeters and/or ALTERNATOR-OUT UNDERVOLTAGE lights do not indicate/illuminate properly, an electrical malfunction is indicated. The battery switch and both alternator switches should be placed in the OFF position. Do not take off.

**AFTER STARTING, AND TAXI**

**CAUTION**

Never taxi with a flat tire or flat shock strut. During taxi operations, particular attention should be given to propeller tip clearance. Extreme caution is required when operating on unimproved or irregular surfaces or when high winds exist.

1. Avionics - ON, AS REQUIRED
2. Lights - AS REQUIRED

**NOTE**

Turn strobe lights off when taxiing in the vicinity of other aircraft or when flying in fog or clouds. Standard position lights are to be used for all night operations.

3. Annunciator Warning Lights - PRESS-TO-TEST
4. Aux Fuel Pumps - OFF, THEN ON (check fuel pressure indicators to verify operation of engine-driven pumps)
5. All Engine Instruments - CHECK
6. Brakes - RELEASE AND CHECK

**CAUTION**

Detuning the counterweight system of the engine can occur by rapid throttle operation, high rpm (low pitch) and low manifold pressure, or propeller feathering. (See latest revision of Lycoming Service Bulletin No. 245.)

**BEFORE TAKEOFF**

1. Seat Belts and Shoulder Harnesses - CHECK
2. Parking Brake - SET
3. Radios - CHECK
4. Flight Instruments - CHECK AND SET
5. Engine Instruments - CHECK
6. Starter Engaged Warning Light (if installed) - CHECK (should not be lit). If light is not installed or is inoperative, monitor loadmeters for proper indications.
7. Fuel Selectors - ON
8. Flight Controls - CHECK PROPER DIRECTION AND FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT

9. Wing Flaps - CHECK OPERATION
10. Electric Trim - CHECK OPERATION
11. Trim - SET TO TAKE-OFF RANGE
12. Throttles - 2200 RPM
13. Propellers - EXERCISE (100-200 rpm drop)
14. Magnetos - CHECK (175 rpm maximum drop, within 50 rpm of each other)

**NOTE**

Avoid operation on one magneto for more than 5 to 10 seconds. If rpm drop is excessive, lean to smooth operation and recheck.

15. Carburetor Heat - CHECK and set OFF (cold) for takeoff
16. Throttles - 1500 RPM
17. Propellers - FEATHER CHECK (Do not exceed 500 rpm drop.) Repeat 3 or 4 times in cold weather.
18. Gyro Pressure and Loadmeters - CHECK
19. Throttles - IDLE
20. Aux Fuel Pumps - CHECK ON
21. Doors and Window - SECURE
22. Parking Brake - RELEASE
23. Engine Instruments - CHECK

**TAKEOFF**

Take-off Power . . . . . Full Throttle, 2700 rpm

1. Power - SET TAKE-OFF POWER (before brake release)
2. Mixtures - FULL RICH or lean to smooth operation as required by field elevation
3. Airspeed - ACCELERATE TO AND MAINTAIN TAKE-OFF SPEED

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4. Landing Gear - RETRACT when airplane is positively airborne

**NOTE**

If red in-transit light remains illuminated after 30 seconds, place landing gear switch handle in the down position, make a normal landing and have the landing gear system checked.

5. Airspeed - ESTABLISH DESIRED CLIMB SPEED when clear of obstacles

**CLIMB**

Maximum Climb .....	Full Throttle, 2700 RPM
■ Cruise Climb .....	Full Throttle, 2600 RPM

1. Engine Temperatures - MONITOR
2. Power - SET
3. Mixtures - LEAN AS REQUIRED
4. Cowl Flaps - AS REQUIRED
5. Aux Fuel Pumps - OFF

**CRUISE**

Maximum Cruise Power . . . . .	24.0 in. Hg or full throttle, at 2700 rpm
Recommended Cruise Power . . . . .	24.0 in. Hg or full throttle, at 2500 rpm
Recommended Cruise Power . . . . .	24.0 in. Hg or full throttle, at 2300 rpm
Economy Cruise Power . . . . .	20.0 in. Hg or full throttle, at 2300 rpm

1. Power - SET AS DESIRED (Use Tables in PERFORMANCE section)
2. Mixtures - LEAN AS REQUIRED
3. Cowl Flaps - AS REQUIRED

**LEANING MIXTURE USING THE EXHAUST GAS TEMPERATURE INDICATOR (EGT)**

For level flight at 75% power or less, the EGT unit should be used in the following manner:

1. Lean the mixture and note the point on the indicator at which the temperature peaks and starts to fall.
  - a. **CRUISE (LEAN) MIXTURE** - Enrich mixture (push mixture control forward) until EGT indicator shows a drop of 25°F to 50°F on rich side of peak.
  - b. **BEST POWER MIXTURE** - Enrich mixture (push mixture control forward) until EGT indicator shows a drop of 75°F to 100°F on rich side of peak.

**CAUTION**

Do not continue to lean mixture beyond the point necessary to establish peak temperature. Continuous operation is recommended at 25°F or below peak EGT only on rich side of peak.

2. Changes in altitude and power setting require EGT to be rechecked and mixture reset.
3. A mixture resulting in an EGT 25°F on the rich side of peak should also result in fuel flow and TAS values approximately equal to those presented in the Cruise Power Settings tables in the PERFORMANCE Section. If not, the values derived from the Range, Endurance, and Cruise Speeds charts must be revised accordingly. In very cold weather, EGT's 25°F rich of peak may not be obtainable.

**DESCENT**

1. Altimeter - SET
2. Cowl Flaps - CLOSE
3. Windshield Defroster - AS REQUIRED
4. Carburetor Heat - FULL ON or FULL OFF, AS REQUIRED
5. Power - AS REQUIRED (avoid prolonged idle settings and low cylinder head temperatures)
6. Mixtures - ENRICH AS REQUIRED

**BEFORE LANDING**

1. Seat Belts and Shoulder Harnesses - FASTENED, SEAT BACKS UPRIGHT
2. Fuel Selectors - CHECK ON
3. Aux Fuel Pumps - ON
4. Mixture Controls - FULL RICH (or as required by field elevation)
5. Carburetor Heat - FULL ON or FULL OFF AS REQUIRED

**NOTE**

In the event of a go-around, Carburetor Heat shall be in the full OFF (cold) position after full throttle application.

6. Cowl Flaps - AS REQUIRED
7. Landing Gear - DOWN (140 KTS Maximum)
8. Landing and Taxi Lights - AS REQUIRED
9. Wing Flaps - FULL DOWN (DN) (110 KTS Maximum)
10. Airspeed - ESTABLISH LANDING APPROACH SPEED
11. Propellers - HIGH RPM

**BALKED LANDING**

1. Propellers - HIGH RPM
2. Throttles - FULL FORWARD
3. Airspeed - 71 KTS
4. Wing Flaps - UP
5. Landing Gear - UP
6. Cowl Flaps - AS REQUIRED

**AFTER LANDING**

1. Landing and Taxi Lights - AS REQUIRED
2. Wing Flaps - UP
3. Trim Tabs - SET TO TAKE-OFF RANGE
4. Cowl Flaps - OPEN

**SHUTDOWN**

1. Parking Brake - SET
2. Aux Fuel Pumps - OFF
3. Electrical and Avionics Equipment - OFF
4. Propellers - HIGH RPM
5. Throttles - 1000 RPM
6. Mixtures - IDLE CUT-OFF
7. Magneto/Start Switches - OFF, after engines stop
8. Battery and Alternator Switches - OFF
9. Controls - LOCKED
10. Install wheel chocks and release brakes if the airplane is to be left unattended.

**ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS**

**HEATING AND VENTILATION**

Refer to the **SYSTEMS DESCRIPTION** section for operation of heating and ventilation controls.

**ELECTRIC ELEVATOR TRIM**

1. On/Off Switch - ON
2. Control Wheel Trim Switch - Depress and move forward for nose down, aft for nose up, and when released, the switch returns to the center (OFF) position.

Procedure for **UNSCHEDULED ELECTRIC ELEVATOR TRIM** is given in **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES** Section.

## **COLD WEATHER OPERATION**

### **PREFLIGHT INSPECTION**

All accumulations of ice, snow and frost must be removed from the wings, tail, control surfaces and hinges, propellers, windshield, fuel cell filler caps, crankcase vents, and fuel vents. If such accumulations are not removed completely, the airplane shall not be flown. The deposits will not blow off in flight. While an adverse weight factor is clearly involved in the case of heavy deposits, it is less obvious that even slight accumulations will disturb or completely destroy the designed aerodynamic properties of the airfoils.

The normal preflight procedures should then be completed, with particular attention given to check of flight controls for complete freedom of movement.

### **ENGINES**

Use engine oil in accordance with Consumable Materials in the **HANDLING, SERVICING AND MAINTENANCE** section.

### **WARNING**

Ascertains that magneto/start switches and battery master switch are OFF before moving propeller by hand.

Always pull the propeller through by hand, opposite the direction of rotation, several times to clear the engine and "limber up" the cold, heavy oil before using the starter. This will also lessen the load on the battery if external power is not used.

Under very cold conditions, it may be necessary to preheat the engines prior to a start. Particular attention should be given to the oil cooler, engine sump and propeller hub to

ensure proper preheat. A start with congealed oil in the system may produce an indication of normal pressure immediately after the start, but then the oil pressure may decrease when residual oil in the engine is pumped back with the congealed oil in the sump. If an engine heater capable of heating both the engine sump and cooler is not available, the oil should be drained while the engine is hot and stored in a warm area until the next flight.

If there is no oil pressure within the first 30 seconds of running, or if oil pressure drops after a few minutes of ground operation, shut down and check for broken oil lines, oil cooler leaks or the possibility of congealed oil.

#### **NOTE**

It is advisable to use external power for starting in cold weather.

During warm-up, monitor engine temperatures closely, since it is quite possible to exceed the cylinder head temperature limit in trying to bring up the oil temperature. Exercise the propellers several times to remove cold oil from the pitch change mechanism. The propellers should also be cycled occasionally in flight.

During letdown and landing, give special attention to engine temperatures, since the engines will have a tendency toward overcooling.

#### **TAXIING**

Avoid taxiing through water, slush, or muddy surfaces if possible. In cold weather, water, slush, or mud, when splashed onto landing gear mechanisms or control surface hinges may freeze, preventing free movement and resulting in structural damage.

**PRACTICE DEMONSTRATION OF VMCA**

VMCA demonstration may be required for multi-engine pilot certification. The following procedure shall be used at a safe altitude of at least 5000 feet above the ground in clear air only.

**WARNING**

**INFLIGHT ENGINE CUTS BELOW  $V_{SSE}$   
SPEED OF 71 KTS ARE PROHIBITED.**

1. Landing Gear - UP
2. Wing Flaps - UP
3. Airspeed - ABOVE 71 KTS ( $V_{SSE}$ )
4. Propeller Levers - HIGH RPM
5. Throttle (simulated inoperative engine) - IDLE
6. Throttle (other engine) - FULL FORWARD
7. Airspeed - REDUCE approximately 1 knot per second until either VMCA or stall warning is obtained.

**CAUTION**

Use rudder to maintain directional control (heading) and ailerons to maintain 5° bank towards the operative engine (lateral attitude). At the first sign of either VMCA or stall warning (which may be evidenced by: inability to maintain heading or lateral attitude, aerodynamic stall buffet, or stall warning horn sound) immediately initiate recovery: reduce power to idle on the operative engine and immediately lower the nose to regain  $V_{SSE}$ .

**NOISE CHARACTERISTICS**

Approach to and departure from an airport should be made so as to avoid prolonged flight at low altitude near noise-sensitive areas. Avoidance of noise-sensitive areas, if practical, is preferable to overflight at relatively low altitudes.

For VFR operations over outdoor assemblies of persons, recreational and park areas, and other noise-sensitive areas, pilots should make every effort to fly not less than 2000 feet above the surface, weather permitting, even though flight at a lower level may be consistent with the provisions of government regulations.

**NOTE**

The preceding recommended procedures do not apply where they would conflict with Air Traffic Control clearances or instructions, or where, in the pilot's judgement, an altitude of less than 2000 feet is necessary to adequately exercise his duty to see and avoid other airplanes.

Flyover noise level established in compliance with FAR 36 is:

78.7 dB(A)

No determination has been made by the Federal Aviation Administration that the noise level of this airplane is or should be acceptable or unacceptable for operation at, into, or out of any airport.

# **SECTION V**

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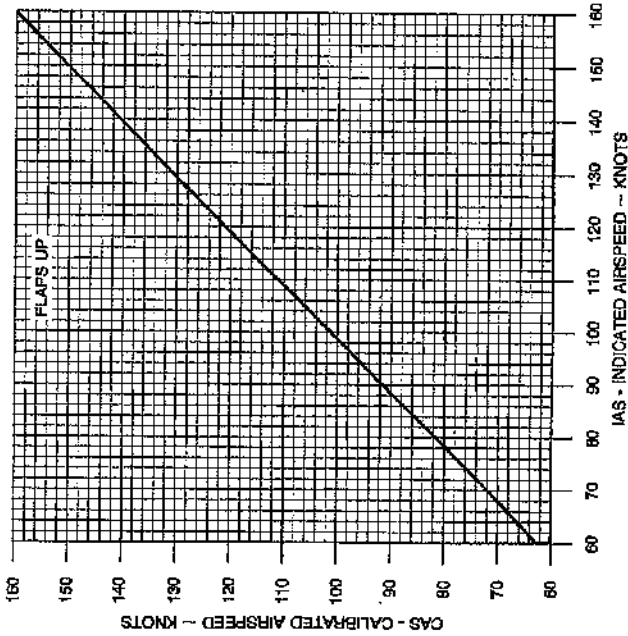
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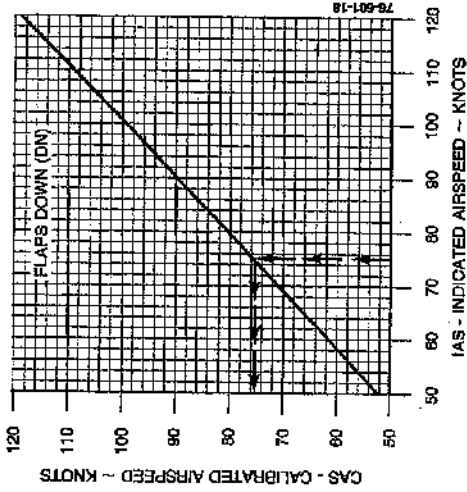
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NOTE: INDICATED AIRSPEED ASSUMES ZERO INSTRUMENT ERROR



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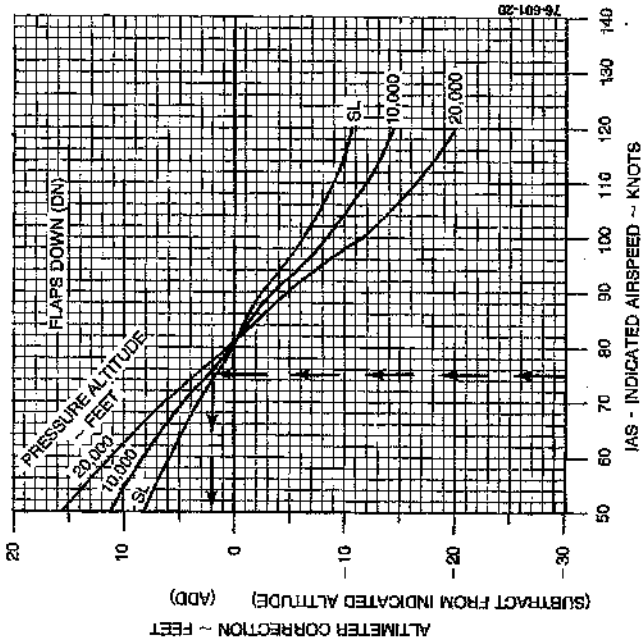
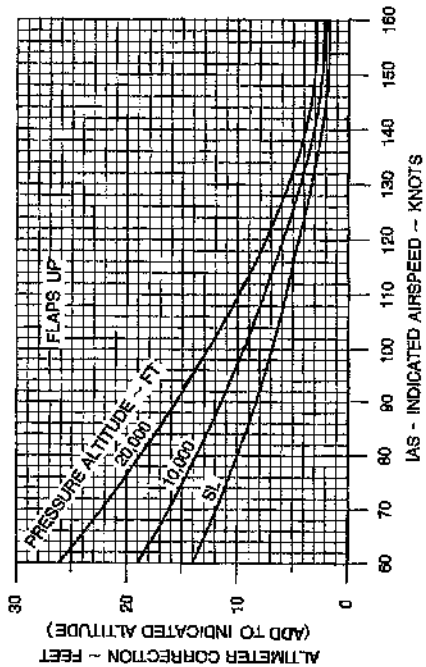
IAS..... 75 KTS  
 FLAPS..... DOWN (DN)  
 CAS..... 75 KTS



**ALTIMETER CORRECTION - NORMAL SYSTEM**

**EXAMPLE:**

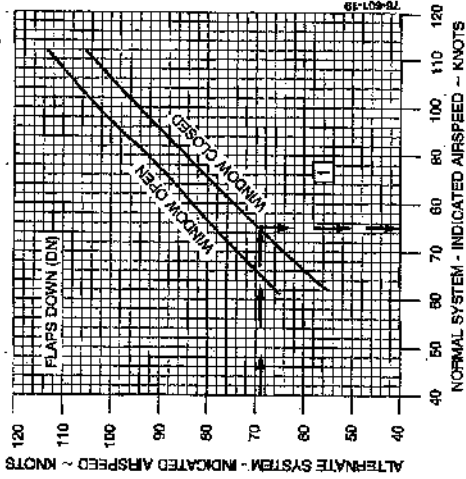
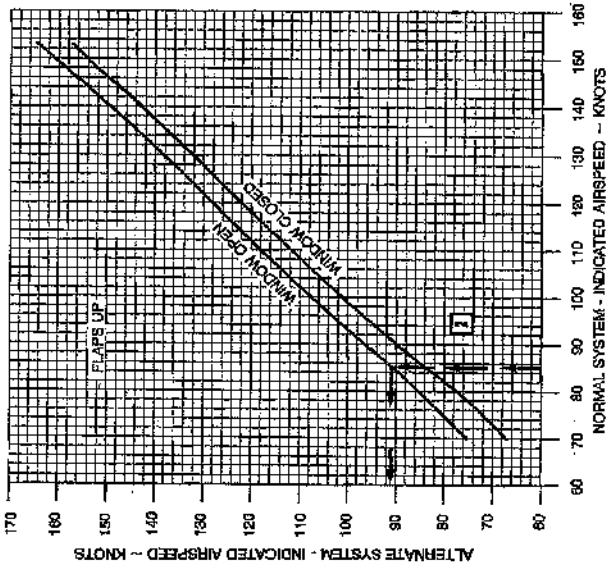
IAS .....	75 KTS
FLAPS .....	DOWN (DN)
INDICATED PRESSURE ALTITUDE .....	4000 FT
ALTIMETER CORRECTION .....	+2 FT
ACTUAL PRESSURE ALTITUDE .....	4002 FT



**AIRSPEED CALIBRATION - ALTERNATE SYSTEM**

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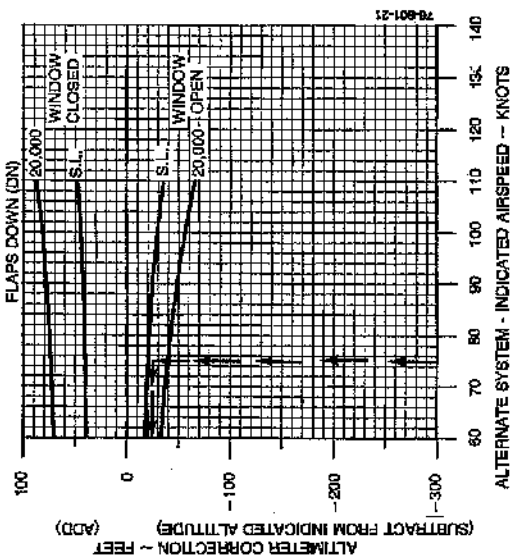
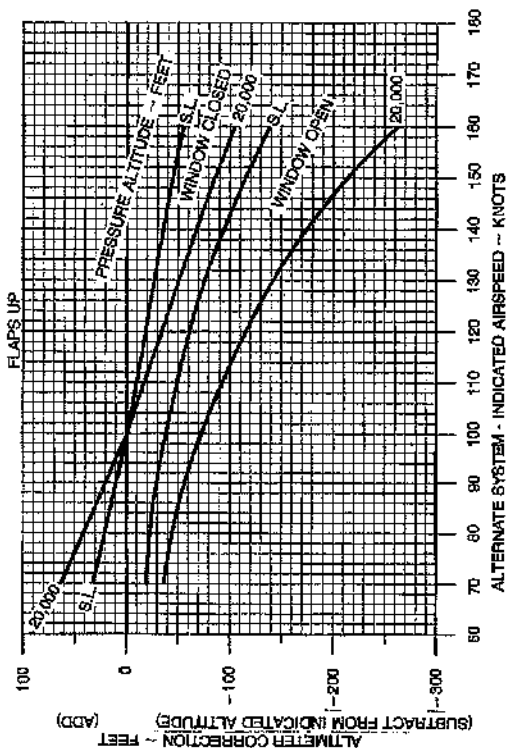
- 1** FLAPS ..... DOWN (DN)  
 STORM WINDOW ..... CLOSED  
 IAS - ALTERNATE SYSTEM ..... 88 KTS
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- IAS - NORMAL SYSTEM ..... 76 KTS  
 CAS - (SEE AIRSPEED CALIBRATION - NORMAL SYSTEM) ..... 76 KTS
- 2** FLAPS ..... UP  
 STORM WINDOW ..... OPEN  
 IAS - NORMAL SYSTEM ..... 85 KTS  
 IAS - ALTERNATE SYSTEM ..... 81 KTS



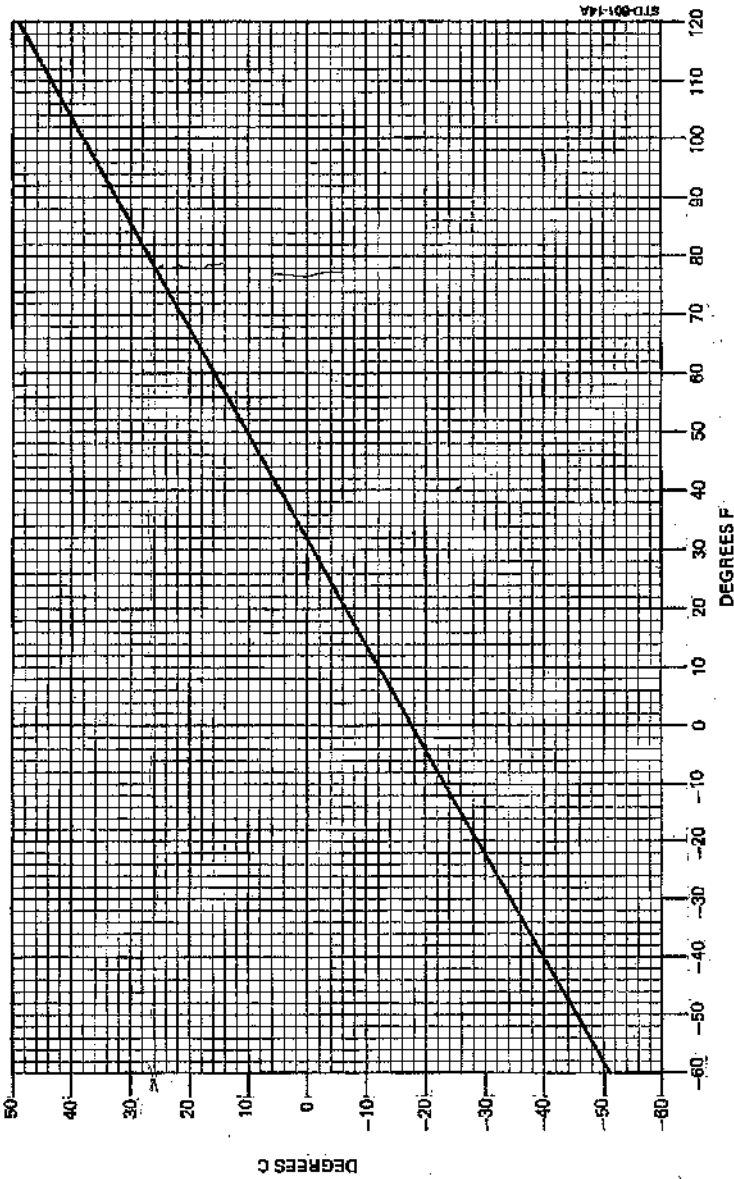
**ALTIMETER CORRECTION - ALTERNATE SYSTEM**

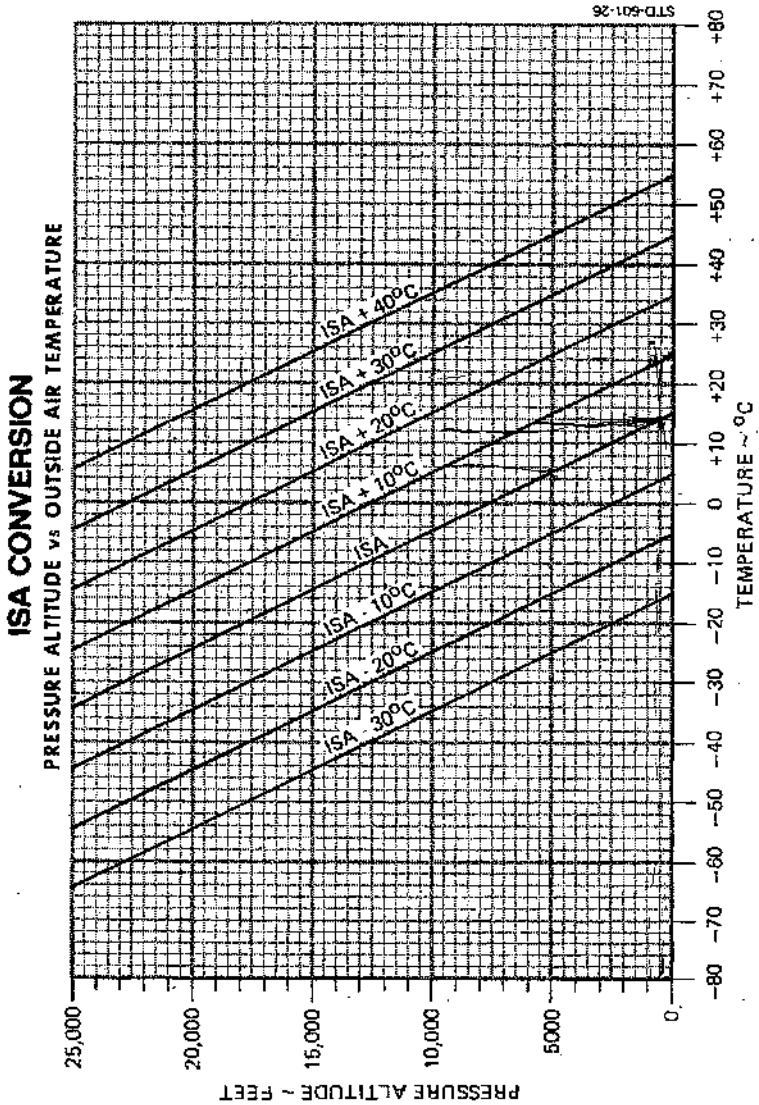
**EXAMPLE:**

IAS.....	75 KTS
FLAPS.....	DOWN (DN)
INDICATED PRESSURE ALTITUDE.....	4000 FT
STORM WINDOW.....	OPEN
ALTIMETER CORRECTION.....	-25 FT
ACTUAL PRESSURE ALTITUDE.....	3975 FT



FAHRENHEIT TO CELSIUS TEMPERATURE CONVERSION

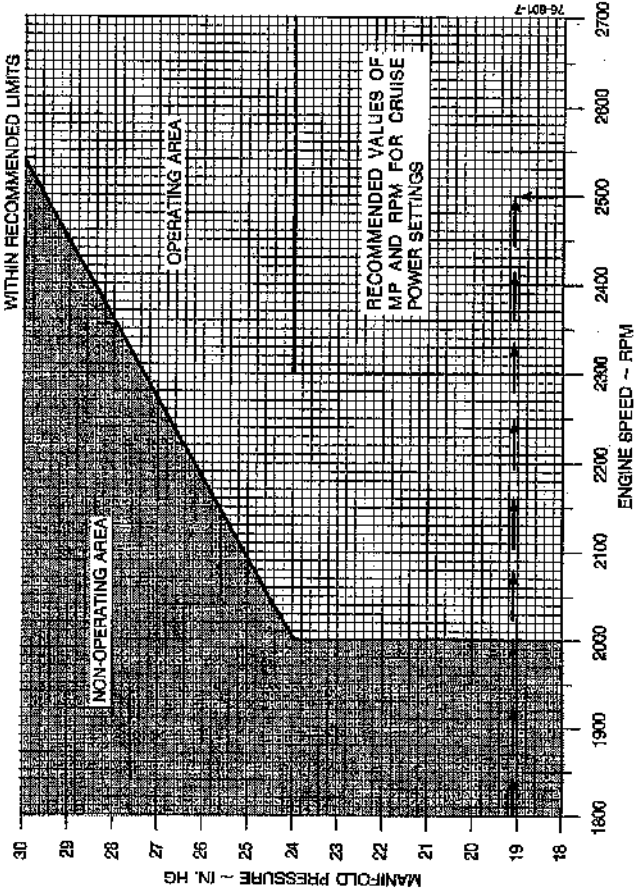




**MANIFOLD PRESSURE vs RPM**

EXAMPLE:

ENGINE SPEED . . . . . 2600 RPM  
MANIFOLD PRESSURE . . . 19.1 IN. HG



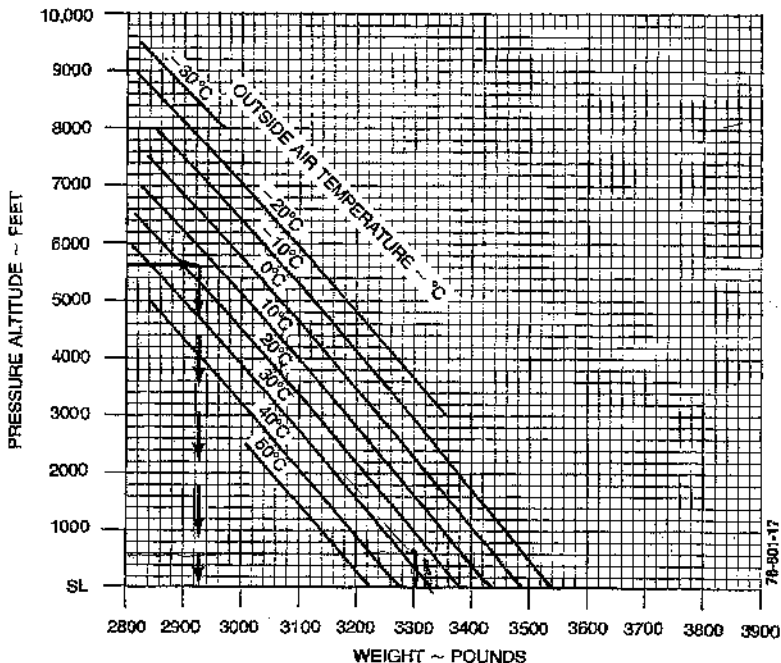
**TAKE-OFF WEIGHT**  
**TO ACHIEVE POSITIVE SINGLE ENGINE**  
**RATE OF CLIMB AT LIFT-OFF**

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

AIRPLANE..... AIRBORNE  
 POWER..... TAKE-OFF AT  
 2700 RPM  
 FLAPS..... UP  
 LANDING GEAR..... DOWN  
 INOPERATIVE PROPELLER... FEATHERED

**EXAMPLE:**

PRESSURE ALTITUDE.....5650 FT  
 OAT.....15°C  
 TAKE-OFF WEIGHT.....2925 LBS



**STALL SPEEDS - POWER IDLE**

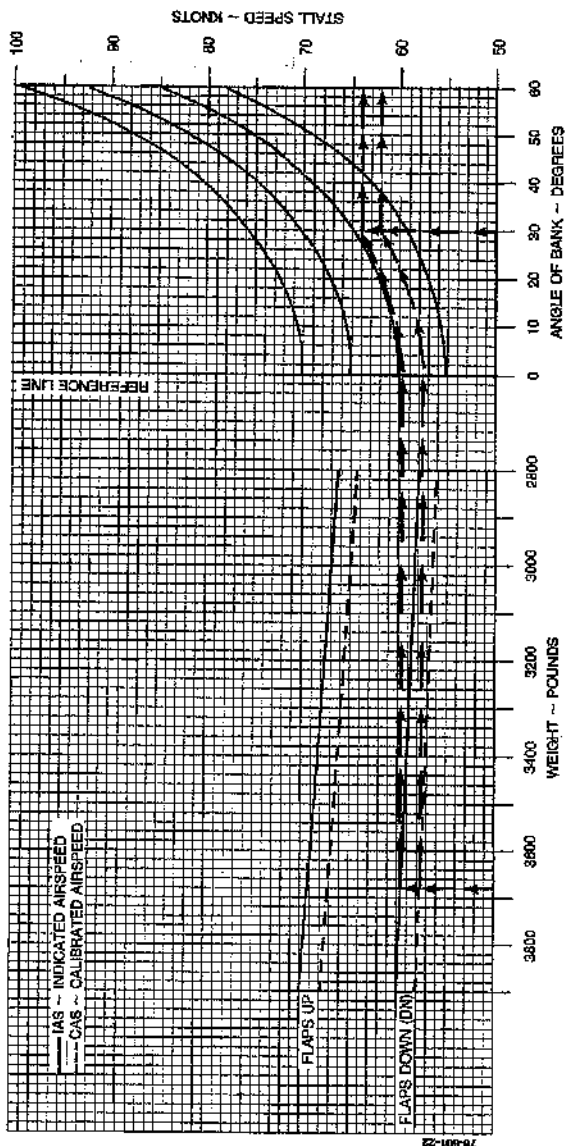
- NOTES:
1. THE MAXIMUM ALTITUDE LOSS EXPERIENCED WHILE CONDUCTING STALLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FAR 23.201 WAS 400 FEET.
  2. MAXIMUM NOSE DOWN PITCH ATTITUDE AND ALTITUDE LOSS DURING RECOVERY FROM ONE ENGINE INOPERATIVE STALLS PER FAR 23.205 ARE 5° AND 100 FEET RESPECTIVELY.
  3. A NORMAL STALL RECOVERY TECHNIQUE MAY BE USED.

EXAMPLE:

WEIGHT ..... 3877 LBS  
 FLAPS ..... DOWN (DN)  
 ANGLE OF BANK ..... 30°

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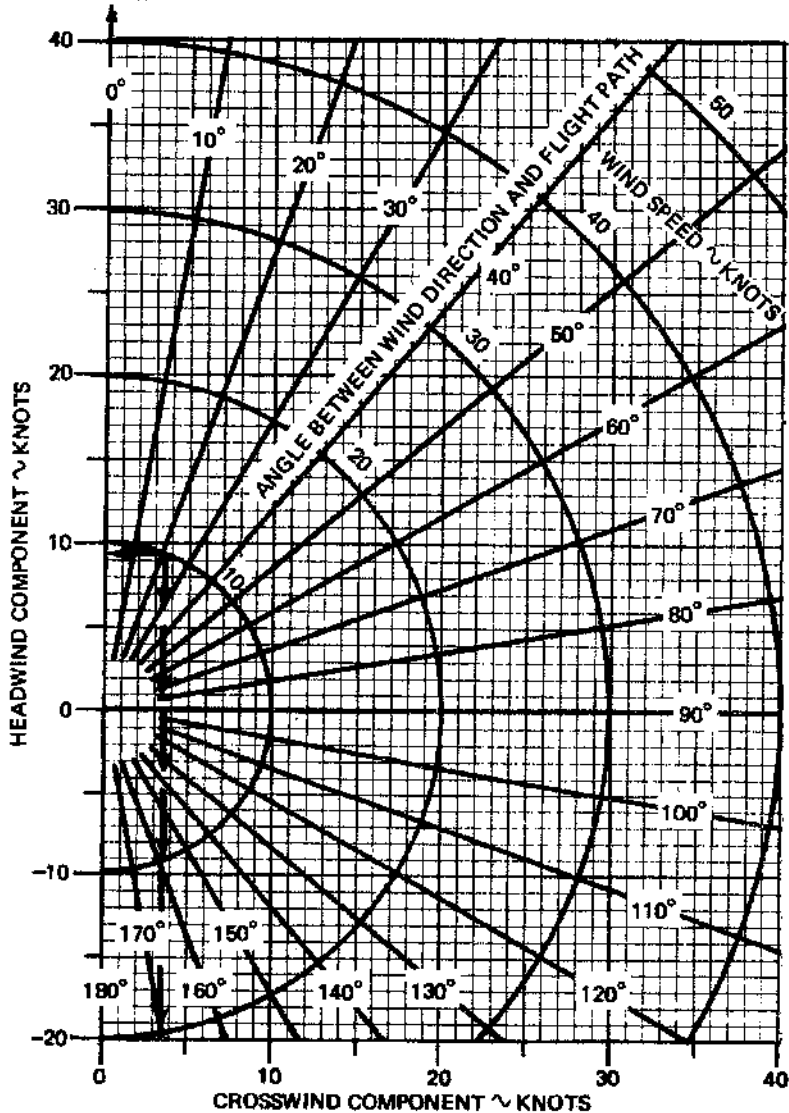
STALL SPEED ..... 64 KTS IAS  
 62 KTS CAS



**WIND COMPONENTS**  
**Demonstrated Crosswind is 25 kts**

EXAMPLE:

WIND SPEED	10 KNOTS
ANGLE BETWEEN WIND DIRECTION AND FLIGHT PATH	20°
HEADWIND COMPONENT	9.5 KNOTS
CROSSWIND COMPONENT	3.5 KNOTS
FLIGHT PATH	



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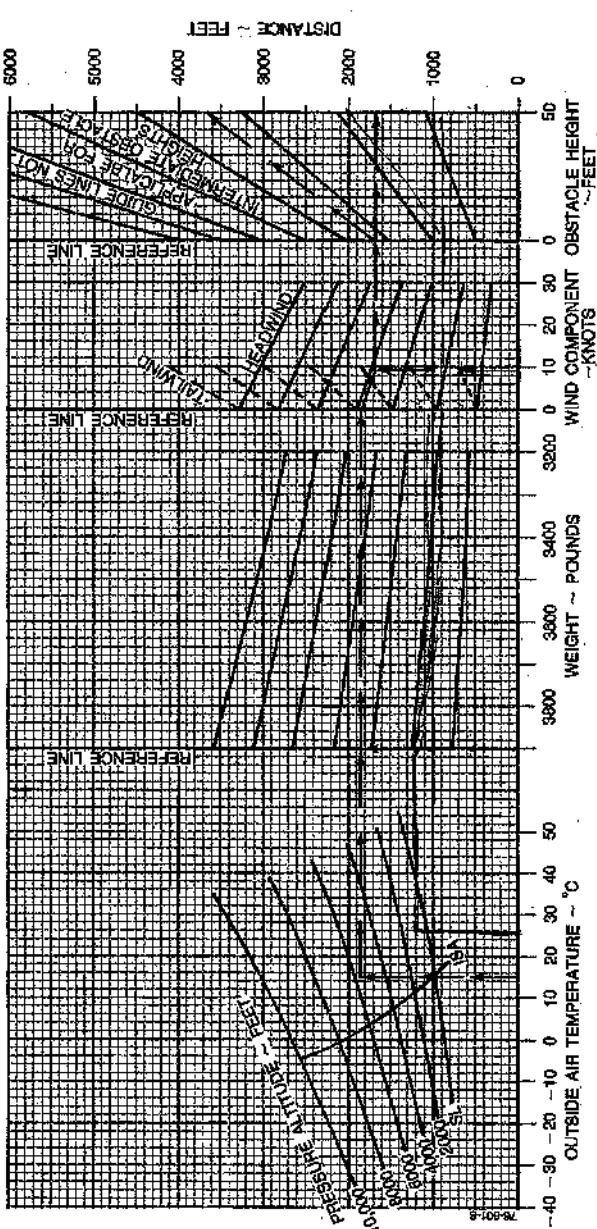
## TAKE-OFF DISTANCE

### ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

- POWER ..... TAKE-OFF POWER AT 2700 RPM SET BEFORE BRAKE RELEASE
- MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN TO 75-100 F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)
- FLAPS ..... UP
- LANDING GEAR ..... RETRACT AFTER POSITIVE CLIMB ESTABLISHED
- RUNWAY ..... PAVED, LEVEL, DRY SURFACE
- COWL FLAPS ..... OPEN

TAKE-OFF SPEEDS (ALL WEIGHTS)
LIFT-OFF 71 KNOTS
50 FEET 80 KNOTS

- EXAMPLE:
- OAT ..... 15°C
  - PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... 8650 FT
  - TAKE-OFF WEIGHT ..... 3600 LBS
  - HEADWIND COMPONENT ..... 9.5 KTS
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- GROUND ROLL ..... 1680 FT
  - TOTAL DISTANCE OVER 50-FT OBSTACLE ..... 3870 FT
  - 6000
  - 5000
  - 4000
  - 3000
  - 2000
  - 1000
  - 0



**TAKE-OFF DISTANCE -  
 GRASS SURFACE**

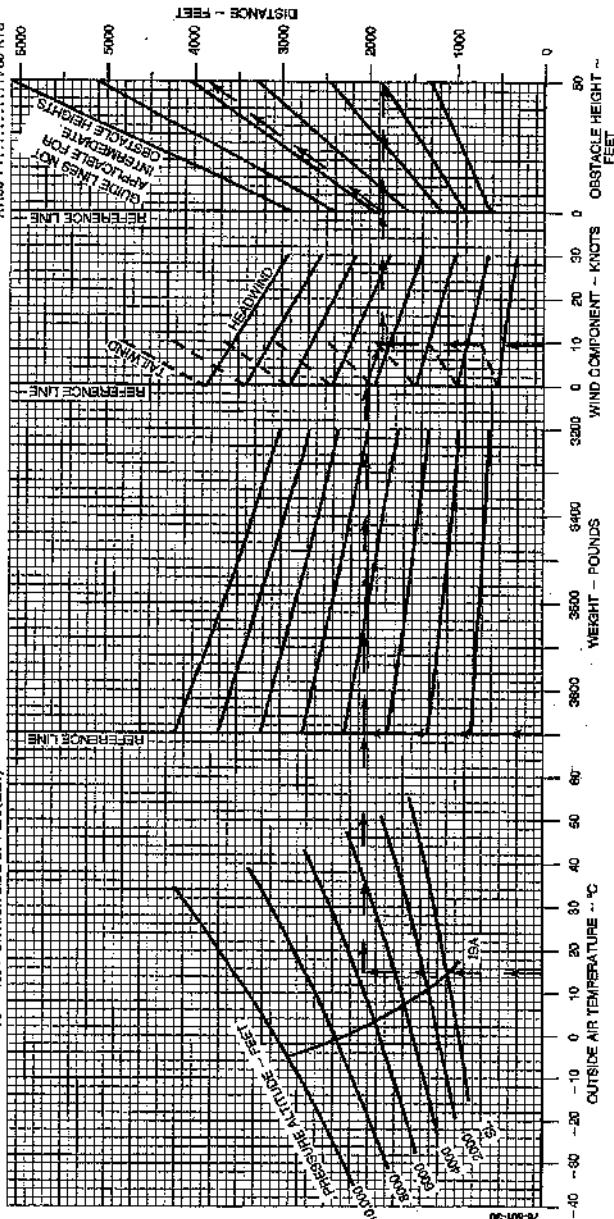
**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

- POWER ..... TAKE-OFF AT 2700 RPM SET BEFORE BRAKE RELEASE
- FLAPS ..... UP
- LANDING GEAR ..... RETRACT AFTER POSITIVE CLIMB ESTABLISHED
- RUNWAY ..... SHORT, DRY GRASS, LEVEL SURFACE
- COYL FLAPS ..... OPEN
- MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 8000 FT LEAN TO 75° - 100°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK)

TAKE-OFF SPEEDS (ALL WEIGHTS)
LIFT-OFF 50 FEET
71 KNOTS
80 KNOTS

**EXAMPLE:**

- OAT ..... 15°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... 5860 FT
- TAKE-OFF WEIGHT ..... 3800 LBS
- HEADWIND COMPONENT ..... 8.5 KTS
- GROUND ROLL ..... 1850 FT
- TOTAL DISTANCE OVER 50 FT OBSTACLE ..... 2850 FT
- TAKE-OFF SPEED: AT LIFT-OFF ..... 71 KTS
- AT 150 FT ..... 80 KTS



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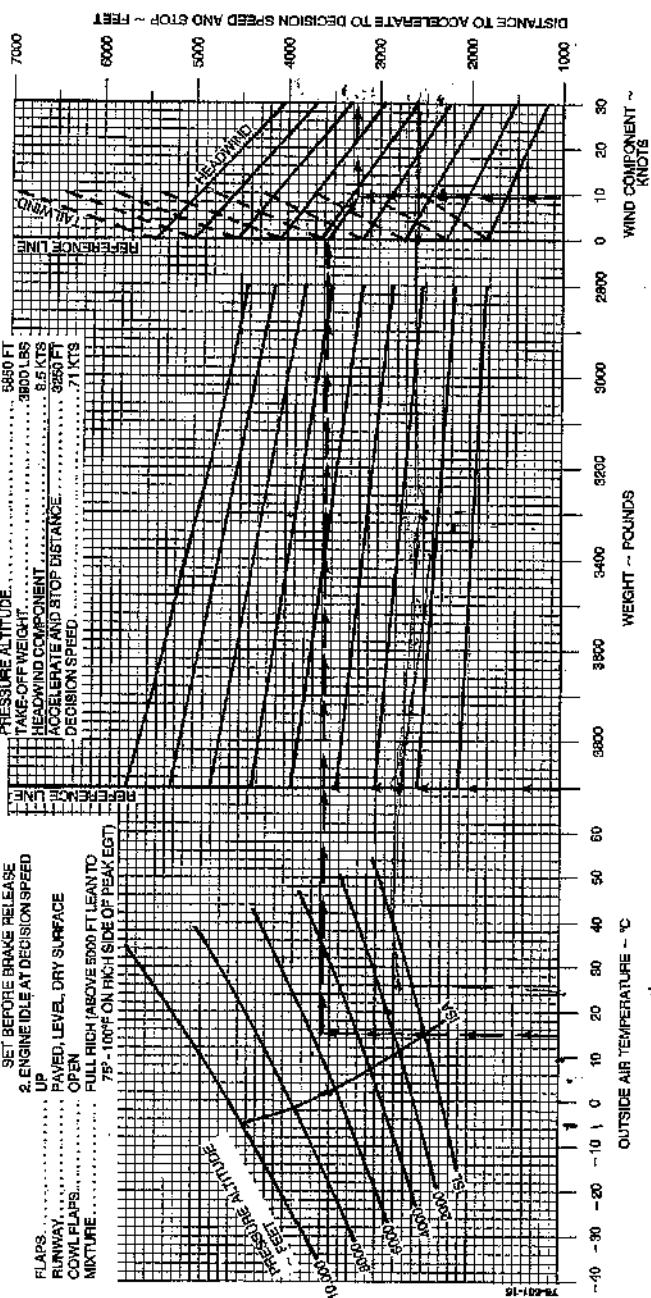
**ACCELERATE - STOP DISTANCE**  
**DECISION SPEED 71 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)**

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

- POWER..... 1. TAKE-OFF POWER AT 2700 RPM  
SET BEFORE BRAKE RELEASE
- FLAPS..... 2. ENGINE IDLE AT DECISION SPEED  
UP
- RUNWAY..... PAVED, LEVEL, DRY SURFACE
- CONVL FLAPS..... OPEN
- MIXTURE..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN TO  
75° - 100°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

**EXAMPLE:**

- OAT..... 15°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE..... 5850 FT
- TAKE-OFF WEIGHT..... 3800 LBS
- HEADWIND COMPONENT..... 8.5 KTS
- ACCELERATE AND STOP DISTANCE..... 2650 FT
- DECISION SPEED..... 71 KTS



**ACCELERATE-GO DISTANCE**

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

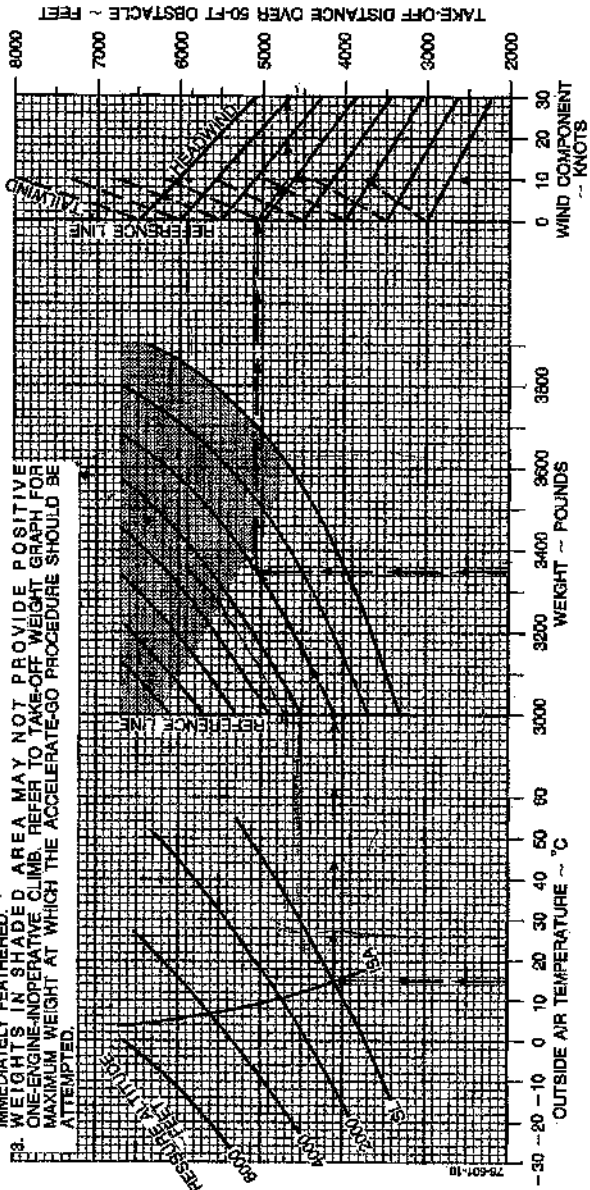
- POWER ..... TAKE-OFF POWER AT 2700 RPM.
- FLAPS ..... UP
- LANDING GEAR ..... RETRACT AFTER LIFT-OFF.
- RUNWAY ..... PAVED, LEVEL, DRY SURFACE.
- CG/WL FLAPS ..... OPEN
- MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT. SET TO 75-100°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

TAKE-OFF SPEEDS (ALL WEIGHTS)
LIFT-OFF 71 KNOTS
50 FT 80 KNOTS

**EXAMPLE:**

- CAT ..... 15°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... SL
- TAKE-OFF WEIGHT ..... 3350 LBS
- HEADWIND COMPONENT ..... 10 KTS
- TOTAL DISTANCE OVER 50-FT OBSTACLE ..... 4700 FT
- GROUND ROLL ..... 940 FT

- NOTE: 1. GROUND ROLL DISTANCE IS 20% OF TAKE-OFF DISTANCE OVER 80-FT OBSTACLE
2. DISTANCES ASSUME AN ENGINE FAILURE AT LIFT-OFF AND PROPELLER IMMEDIATELY FEATHERED.
3. WEIGHTS IN SHADDED AREA MAY NOT PROVIDE POSITIVE ONE-ENGINE-OPERATIVE CLIMB. REFER TO TAKE-OFF WEIGHT GRAPH FOR MAXIMUM WEIGHT AT WHICH THE ACCELERATE-GO PROCEDURE SHOULD BE ATTEMPTED.



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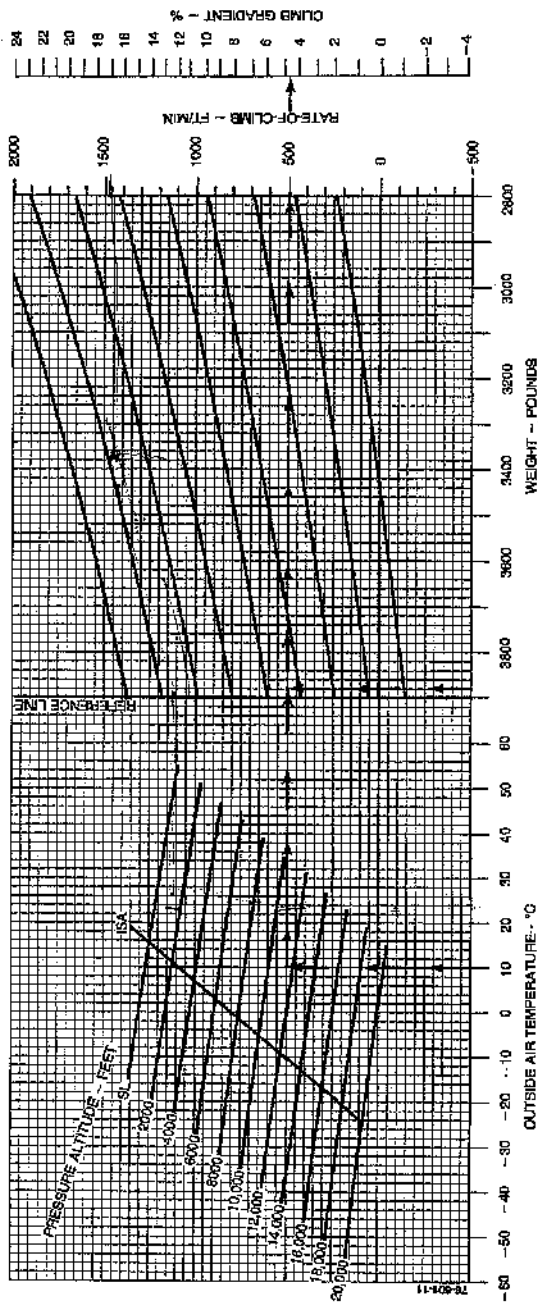
## CLIMB - TWO ENGINE CLIMB SPEED 85 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)

### ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

- POWER ..... MAXIMUM CONTINUOUS AT 2700 RPM
- FLAPS ..... UP
- LANDING GEAR ..... UP
- CONV. FLAPS ..... OPEN
- MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN TO 75° 100°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

### EXAMPLE:

- OAT ..... 10°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... 11,500 FT.
- WEIGHT ..... 3880 LBS
- RATE OF CLIMB ..... 500 FT/MIN
- CLIMB GRADIENT ..... 4.6%



**TAKE-OFF CLIMB GRADIENT - ONE ENGINE INOPERATIVE**

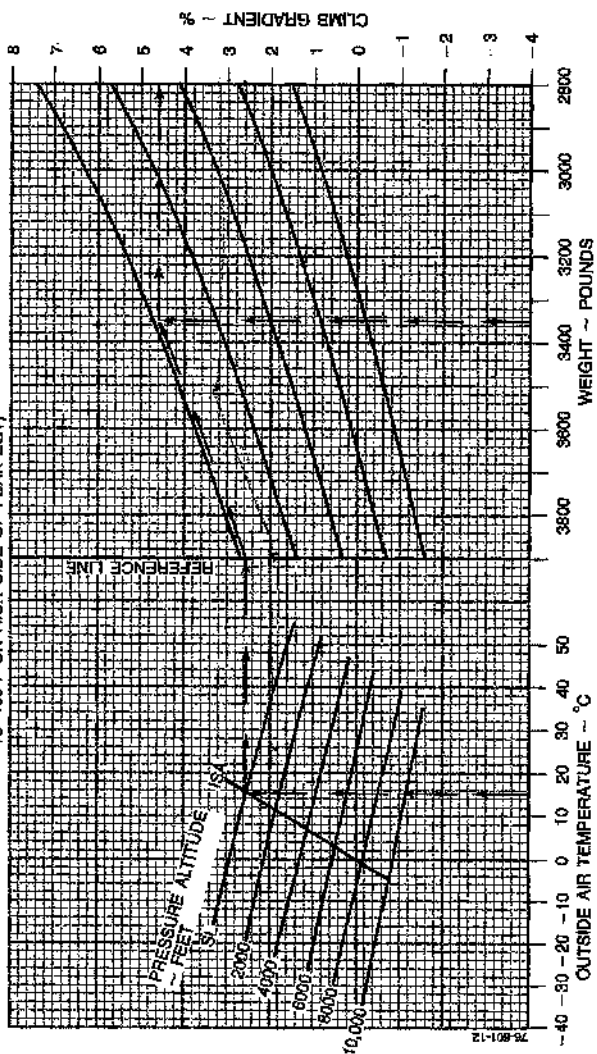
CLIMB SPEED 80 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

- POWER ..... TAKE-OFF AT 2700 RPM
- LANDING GEAR ..... UP
- FLAPS ..... UP
- INOPERATIVE PROPELLER ..... FEATHERED
- CONV. FLAPS ..... OPEN
- MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN TO 75°-100° F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

**EXAMPLE:**

- OAT ..... 15°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... SL
- WEIGHT ..... 3350 LBS
- GRADIENT OF CLIMB ..... 4.6%



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## TIME, FUEL, AND DISTANCE TO CLIMB CLIMB SPEED 100 KNOTS

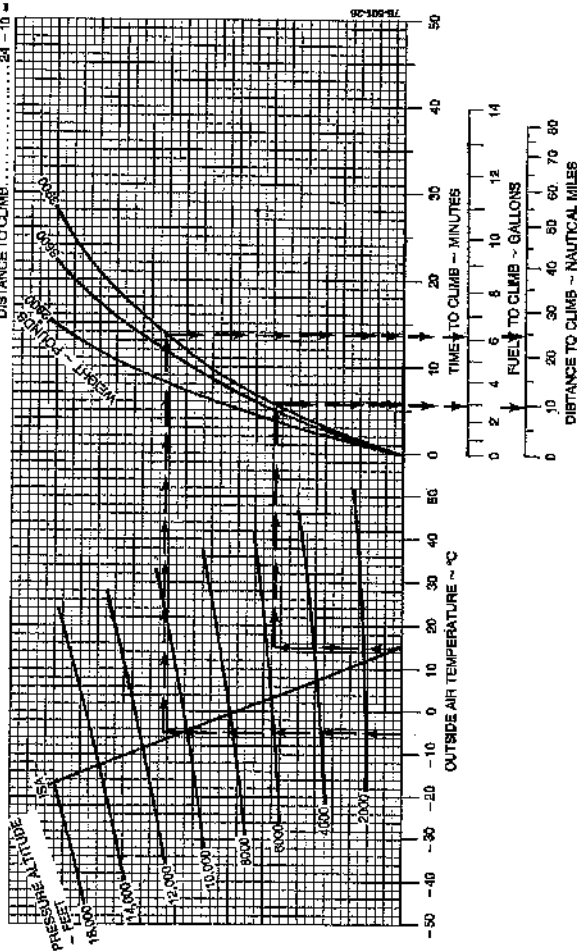
### ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

POWER..... FULL THROTTLE AT  
2800 RPM  
FUEL DENSITY..... 6.0 LBS/GAL  
COAX FLAPS..... OPEN  
MIXTURE..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN TO  
75° - 100°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

### EXAMPLE:

OAT AT TAKE-OFF..... 18°C  
OAT AT CRUISE..... 6°C  
AIRPORT PRESSURE ALTITUDE..... 6500 FT  
CRUISE PRESSURE ALTITUDE..... 11,500 FT  
INITIAL CLIMB WEIGHT..... 800 LBS

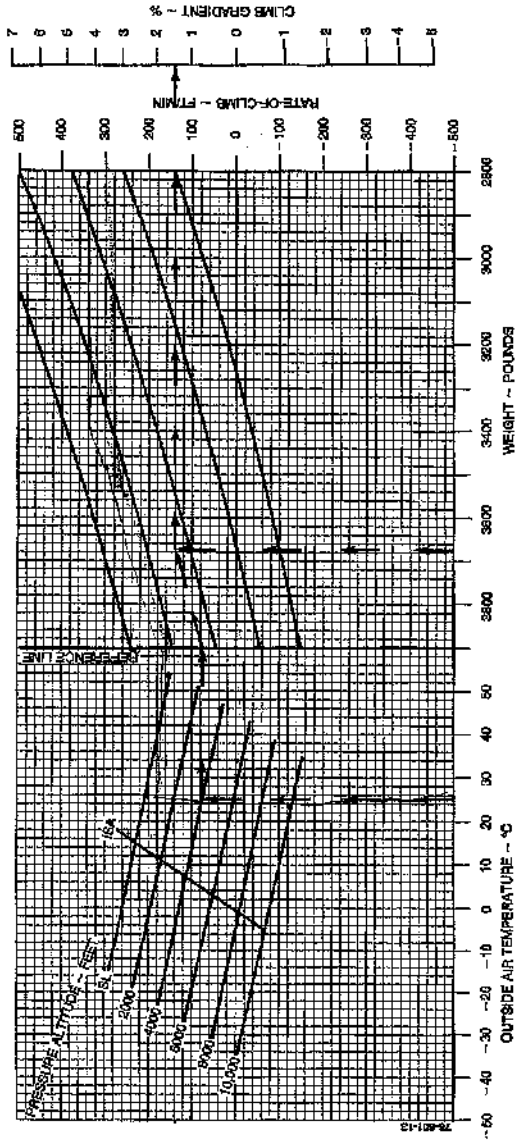
TIME TO CLIMB..... 14 - 8 = 6 MINUTES  
FUEL TO CLIMB..... 8.1 - 2.8 = 5.3 GAL  
DISTANCE TO CLIMB..... 24 - 10 = 14 NM



**CLIMB - ONE ENGINE INOPERATIVE  
CLIMB SPEED 85 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)**

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**  
 POWER ..... TAKE-OFF AT 2750 RPM  
 LANDING GEAR ..... UP  
 FLAPS ..... UP  
 INOPERATIVE PROPELLER ..... FEATHERED  
 CONYL FLAPS ..... OPEN  
 MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 8000 FT LEAN TO 78" - 100" F ON RICH-SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

**EXAMPLE:**  
 OAT ..... 28°C  
 PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... 8655 FT  
 WEIGHT ..... 3577 LBS  
 RATE OF CLIMB ..... 140 FT/MIN  
 CLIMB GRADIENT ..... 1.67%  
 CLIMB SPEED ..... 86 KTS



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**SERVICE CEILING - ONE ENGINE INOPERATIVE**  
**CLIMB SPEED - 85 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)**

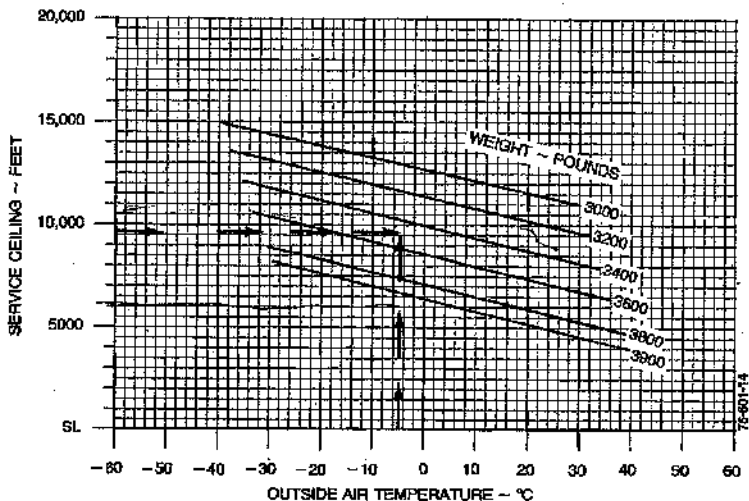
**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

POWER.....MAXIMUM  
CONTINUOUS  
AT 2700 RPM  
FLAPS.....UP  
LANDING GEAR.....UP  
INOPERATIVE PROPELLER... FEATHERED

**EXAMPLE:**

CAT AT MEA.....-5°C  
ROUTE SEGMENT MEA.....9700 FT  
WEIGHT FOR SERVICE CEILING  
AT ROUTE SEGMENT MEA.....3480 LBS

NOTE: SERVICE CEILING IS ALTITUDE WHERE AIRPLANE HAS CAPABILITY OF CLIMBING 50 FT/MIN WITH ONE PROPELLER FEATHERED.



Two-Engine Service Ceiling  
11,650 ft

**CRUISE SPEEDS**

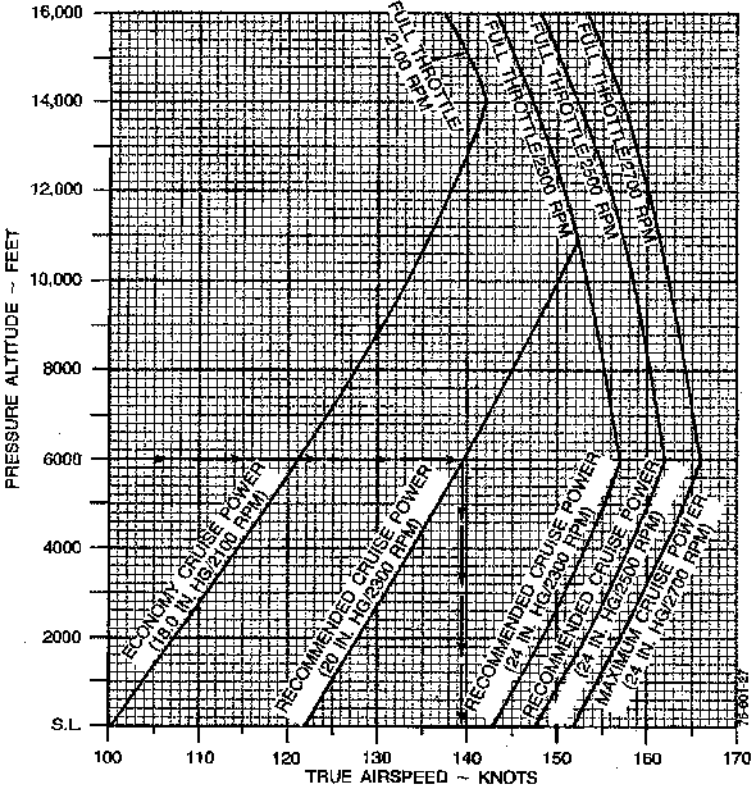
**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

AVERAGE CRUISE WEIGHT ...3600 LBS  
 TEMPERATURE .....STD DAY (ISA)

**EXAMPLE:**

PRESSURE ALTITUDE ...6000 FT  
 POWER SETTING .....20 IN.HG/2300 RPM

TRUE AIRSPEED .....139.5 KTS



MAXIMUM CRUISE POWER - 24.0 IN. HG @ 2700 RPM (OR FULL THROTTLE)

PRESS ALT FEET	ISA -20°C (-36°F)						STANDARD DAY (ISA)						ISA +20°C (+36°F)																	
	IOAT		MAN. PRESS.		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE		IOAT		MAN. PRESS.		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE		IOAT		MAN. PRESS.		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE													
	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH	GPH	KTS	IAS	TAS	KTS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH	GPH	KTS	IAS	TAS	KTS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH	GPH	KTS	IAS	TAS	KTS			
SL	-3	27	24.0	67	11.1	156	151	17	63	24.0	65	10.8	152	152	37	98	24.0	62	10.3	148	153									
1000	-5	23	24.0	68	11.3	156	153	15	59	24.0	65	10.8	152	155	35	95	24.0	63	10.5	148	156									
2000	-7	19	24.0	68	11.3	156	155	13	55	24.0	66	11.0	152	157	33	91	24.0	63	10.5	148	158									
3000	-8	16	24.0	69	11.5	156	158	11	52	24.0	66	11.0	152	159	31	88	24.0	64	10.7	148	161									
4000	-11	12	24.0	69	11.5	157	160	9	48	24.0	67	11.2	153	162	30	86	24.0	65	10.8	149	163									
5000	-12	10	24.0	70	11.7	157	163	8	46	24.0	68	11.3	153	164	28	82	24.0	65	10.8	148	165									
6000	14	57	23.5	70	11.7	156	164	6	43	23.5	68	11.5	152	165	26	79	23.5	65	10.9	146	167									
7000	16	61	22.6	68	11.3	153	164	4	39	22.6	65	10.8	149	165	24	75	22.6	63	10.5	146	168									
8000	18	64	21.6	65	10.8	150	163	2	36	21.6	63	10.5	146	164	22	72	21.6	61	10.2	142	165									
9000	20	68	20.9	63	10.5	147	162	0	32	20.9	61	10.2	144	163	20	68	20.9	59	9.8	139	164									
10,000	22	72	20.2	61	10.2	144	161	-2	28	20.2	59	9.8	140	163	18	64	20.2	57	9.5	136	165									
11,000	24	75	19.4	59	9.8	141	160	-4	25	19.4	57	9.5	136	161	16	61	19.4	55	9.2	133	166									
12,000	26	79	18.6	56	9.0	138	159	-6	21	18.6	54	9.0	133	160	14	57	18.6	53	8.9	130	167									
13,000	28	82	17.9	54	9.0	134	157	-8	18	17.9	52	8.7	130	158	12	54	17.9	50	8.6	126	168									
14,000	30	86	17.2	52	8.7	131	156	-10	14	17.2	50	8.4	127	157	10	50	17.2	48	8.0	124	169									
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16,000	35	95	15.9	48	8.0	124	153	-15	6	15.9	45	7.5	120	153	6	43	15.9	45	7.5	115	171									

- NOTES: 1. Full throttle manifold pressure settings are approximate.  
 2. Shaded area represents operation with full throttle.  
 3. Lean to 25° - 50°F on rich side of peak EGT.  
 4. Cruise speeds are presented at an average weight of 3600 lbs.

**RECOMMENDED CRUISE POWER - 24.0 IN. HG @ 2500 RPM (OR FULL THROTTLE)**

PRESS ALT FEET	ISA -20°C (-36°F)						STANDARD DAY (ISA)						ISA +20°C (+36°F)					
	IOAT		MAN. PRESS		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE		IOAT		MAN. PRESS		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE		IOAT		MAN. PRESS		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE	
	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	KTS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	KTS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	KTS
SL	-3	27	24.0	61	10.2	152	17	63	24.0	59	9.8	148	37	99	24.0	57	9.5	144
1000	-5	23	24.0	62	10.3	152	15	59	24.0	60	10.0	148	35	95	24.0	58	9.7	144
2000	-7	19	24.0	63	10.5	153	13	55	24.0	61	10.2	148	33	91	24.0	58	9.7	144
3000	-9	16	24.0	64	10.7	153	11	52	24.0	61	10.2	149	31	88	24.0	59	9.8	144
4000	-11	12	24.0	64	10.7	153	9	48	24.0	62	10.3	149	29	84	24.0	60	10.0	144
5000	-13	9	24.0	65	10.8	153	7	45	24.0	63	10.5	149	28	82	24.0	61	10.2	144
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7000	-17	1	23	66	10.5	150	3	39	24	61	10.2	145	24	76	24	59	9.8	144
8000	-19	3	23	67	10.7	145	2	36	23.9	58	9.8	145	22	72	23.9	57	9.6	138
9000	-21	6	23	68	10.9	143	1	32	23.8	57	9.5	139	20	68	23.8	55	9.2	135
10000	-23	9	20.3	67	9.5	140	1	27	20	55	9.2	138	18	64	20.2	53	8.8	132
11000	-25	13	19.4	56	9.2	133	1	23	19.4	53	8.6	133	16	61	19.4	51	8.5	128
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13000	-29	20	18.0	51	8.3	128	1	16	18.0	49	8.2	126	13	54	18.0	47	7.8	120
14000	-31	23	17.3	48	8.0	123	1	12	17.3	47	7.8	123	12	51	17.3	45	7.5	115
15000	-33	27	16.5	45	7.5	120	1	9	16.5	45	7.5	120	11	48	16.5	43	7.1	110
16000	-35	31	16.0	45	7.5	118	1	5	16.0	45	7.2	116	10	45	16.0	42	7.0	108

- NOTES: 1. Full throttle manifold pressure settings are approximate.  
 2. Shaded area represents operation with full throttle.  
 3. Lean to 25° - 50°F on rich side of peak EGT.  
 4. Cruise speeds are presented at an average weight of 3600 lbs.

RECOMMENDED CRUISE POWER - 24.0 IN. HG @ 2300 RPM (OR FULL THROTTLE)

PRESS ALT FEET	ISA -20°C (-35°F)										STANDARD DAY (ISA)										ISA +20°C (+35°F)									
	IOAT			MAN. PRESS			FUEL FLOW/ENGINE			IAS			TAS			IOAT			MAN. PRESS			FUEL FLOW/ENGINE			IAS			TAS		
	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	KTS	KTS	KTS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	KTS	KTS	KTS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	PPH/GPH	KTS	KTS	KTS			
SL	-3	27	24.0	55	9.2	147	142	17	63	24.0	53	8.8	143	143	37	99	24.0	51	8.5	139	144									
1000	-5	23	24.0	56	9.3	147	144	15	59	24.0	54	9.0	143	145	35	95	24.0	52	8.7	139	146									
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3000	-9	16	24.0	58	9.7	148	149	11	52	24.0	56	9.3	144	150	31	88	24.0	54	9.0	139	151									
4000	-11	12	24.0	59	9.8	148	152	9	48	24.0	57	9.5	144	153	29	84	24.0	55	9.2	140	153									
5000	-13	9	24.0	60	10.0	148	154	7	45	24.0	58	9.7	144	155	27	81	24.0	56	9.3	140	156									
6000	-15	5	23	61	10.2	148	156	5	41	23	59	9.9	144	157	25	77	23	57	9.5	140	158									
7000	-17	1	22.8	62	10.4	148	158	3	37	22.8	60	10.1	144	159	23	73	22.8	58	9.7	140	159									
8000	-19	-2	21.9	63	10.5	148	158	1	33	21.9	61	10.3	144	159	21	70	21.9	59	9.9	140	160									
9000	-21	-6	21.1	64	10.7	148	158	0	29	21.1	62	10.5	144	159	19	66	21.1	60	10.1	140	161									
10,000	-23	-9	20.2	65	10.8	148	158	0	25	20.2	63	10.7	144	159	17	63	20.2	61	10.3	140	162									
11,000	-25	-13	19.5	66	10.9	148	158	0	21	19.5	64	10.9	144	159	15	59	19.5	62	10.5	140	163									
12,000	-27	-17	18.8	67	11.0	148	158	0	17	18.8	65	11.1	144	159	13	55	18.8	63	10.7	140	164									
13,000	-29	-20	18.0	68	11.1	148	158	0	13	18.0	66	11.3	144	159	11	52	18.0	64	10.9	140	165									
14,000	-31	-24	17.3	69	11.2	148	158	0	9	17.3	67	11.5	144	159	9	48	17.3	65	11.1	140	166									
15,000	-33	-27	16.7	70	11.3	148	158	0	5	16.7	68	11.7	144	159	7	45	16.7	66	11.3	140	167									
16,000	-35	-31	16.0	71	11.4	148	158	0	1	16.0	69	11.9	144	159	5	41	16.0	67	11.5	140	168									

- NOTES: 1. Full throttle manifold pressure settings are approximate.  
 2. Shaded area represents operation with full throttle.  
 3. Lean to 25° - 50°F on rich side of peak EGT.  
 4. Cruise speeds are presented at an average weight of 3600 lbs.

**RECOMMENDED CRUISE POWER - 20.0 IN. HG @ 2300 RPM (OR FULL THROTTLE)**

PRESS ALT. FEET	ISA -20°C (-36°F)						STANDARD DAY (ISA)						TSA +20°C (+36°F)								
	IOAT		MAN. PRESS.		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE		IOAT		MAN. PRESS.		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE		IOAT		MAN. PRESS.		FUEL FLOW/ENGINE				
	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	KTS	IAS	TAS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	KTS	IAS	TAS	°C	°F	IN.HG	PPH/GPH	KTS	IAS	TAS
SL	-4	25	20.0	41	6.8	127	122	16	61	20.0	40	6.7	123	123	36	97	20.0	38	6.3	119	123
1000	-6	21	20.0	42	7.0	128	125	14	57	20.0	41	6.8	124	126	34	93	20.0	39	6.5	120	126
2000	-7	19	20.0	43	7.2	129	128	13	55	20.0	42	7.0	125	129	33	91	20.0	40	6.7	121	129
3000	-9	16	20.0	44	7.3	130	131	11	52	20.0	42	7.0	126	132	31	88	20.0	41	6.8	122	132
4000	-11	12	20.0	45	7.5	131	134	9	48	20.0	43	7.2	127	135	29	84	20.0	42	7.0	122	135
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7000	-17	1	20.0	48	8.0	133	142	3	37	20.0	46	7.7	128	143	23	73	20.0	45	7.5	124	143
8000	-18	-2	20.0	49	8.2	133	145	1	34	20.0	47	7.8	129	145	21	70	20.0	46	7.7	125	146
9000	-21	-6	20.0	50	8.3	134	147	-1	30	20.0	48	8.0	129	148	19	66	20.0	47	7.8	125	149
10,000	-23	-9	20.0	51	8.5	134	150	-3	27	20.0	49	8.2	130	151	17	63	20.0	48	8.0	125	151
12,000	-25	-13	19.5	51	8.5	133	151	-5	23	19.5	49	8.2	129	152	15	59	19.5	47	7.9	124	152
14,000	-27	-17	18.5	49	8.0	130	146	-7	19	18.5	47	7.6	126	151	13	55	18.5	46	7.7	121	151
16,000	-29	-20	18.0	47	7.6	127	143	-9	16	18.0	46	7.4	124	149	11	52	18.0	44	7.3	117	149
18,000	-31	-24	17.3	45	7.3	123	137	-11	12	17.3	44	7.3	123	147	9	49	17.3	42	7.0	114	147
15,000	-28	-18	16.7	44	7.3	120	145	-8	9	16.7	43	7.2	115	145	7	45	16.7	41	6.9	115	145
18,000	-34	-33	15.5	42	7.1	116	133	-15	5	15.5	40	6	111	133	5	41	15.0	39	6.5	108	143

- NOTES: 1. Full throttle manifold pressure settings are approximate.  
 2. Shaded area represents operation with full throttle.  
 3. Lean to 25° - 50°F on rich side of peak EGT.  
 4. Cruise speeds are presented at an average weight of 3600 lbs.

ECONOMY CRUISE POWER - 18.0 IN. HG @ 2100 RPM (OR FULL THROTTLE)

PRESS ALT	ISA -20°C (-36°F)						STANDARD DAY (ISA)						ISA +20°C (+36°F)								
	IOAT		MAN. PRESS.	FUEL FLOW/ ENG		IAS/TAS	IOAT		MAN. PRESS.	FUEL FLOW/ ENG		IAS/TAS	IOAT		MAN. PRESS.	FUEL FLOW/ ENG		IAS/TAS			
	°C	°F		°C	°F		PPH	GPH		KTS	KTS		°C	°F		°C	°F		°C	°F	PPH
SL	-4	25	18.0	29	4.8	104	101	16	61	18.0	28	4.7	99	100	36	97	18.0	27	4.5	96	98
1000	-6	21	18.0	30	5.0	106	105	14	57	18.0	29	4.8	101	104	34	93	18.0	26	4.7	95	102
2000	-8	18	18.0	31	5.2	107	108	12	54	18.0	30	5.0	103	107	32	90	18.0	29	4.8	98	106
3000	-10	14	18.0	32	5.3	109	112	10	50	18.0	31	5.2	105	111	30	86	18.0	30	5.0	101	110
4000	-12	11	18.0	34	5.7	111	115	8	47	18.0	32	5.3	107	115	28	83	18.0	31	5.2	103	113
5000	-14	8	18.0	35	5.8	112	119	6	43	18.0	33	5.5	108	118	26	79	18.0	32	5.3	103	117
6000	-16	4	18.0	36	6.0	113	121	5	40	18.0	35	5.8	109	121	25	76	18.0	33	5.5	105	120
7000	-17	1	18.0	37	6.2	115	125	3	37	18.0	36	6.0	110	124	23	73	18.0	34	5.7	106	124
8000	-19	-3	18.0	38	6.3	116	128	1	33	18.0	37	6.2	111	127	21	69	18.0	35	5.8	106	127
9000	-21	-6	18.0	39	6.5	117	131	-1	30	18.0	38	6.3	112	130	19	66	18.0	36	6.0	106	130
10,000	-23	-10	18.0	40	6.7	117	134	-3	26	18.0	39	6.5	113	134	17	62	18.0	37	6.2	108	133
11,000	-25	-13	18.0	41	6.8	117	136	-5	23	18.0	39	6.5	113	136	15	59	18.0	38	6.3	108	135
12,000	-27	-17	18.0	41	6.8	117	138	-7	19	18.0	40	6.7	113	138	13	55	18.0	38	6.3	108	137
13,000	-29	-20	18.0	42	7.0	117	140	-9	16	18.0	41	6.8	113	140	11	52	18.0	39	6.6	108	139
14,000	-31	-24	17.3	43	7.2	117	142	-11	12	17.3	41	6.8	112	142	9	48	17.3	40	6.7	109	143
15,000	-33	-27	16.5	41	6.8	114	140	-13	9	16.5	40	6.7	109	140	7	45	16.5	38	6.3	105	138
16,000	-35	-31	15.5	39	6.5	110	138	-15	5	15.5	38	6.3	106	137	5	41	15.5	37	6.2	101	135

NOTES: 1. Full throttle manifold pressure settings are approximate.

2. Shaded area represents operation with full throttle.

3. Lean to 25° - 50°F on rich side of peak EGT.

4. Cruise speeds are presented at an average weight of 3600 lbs.



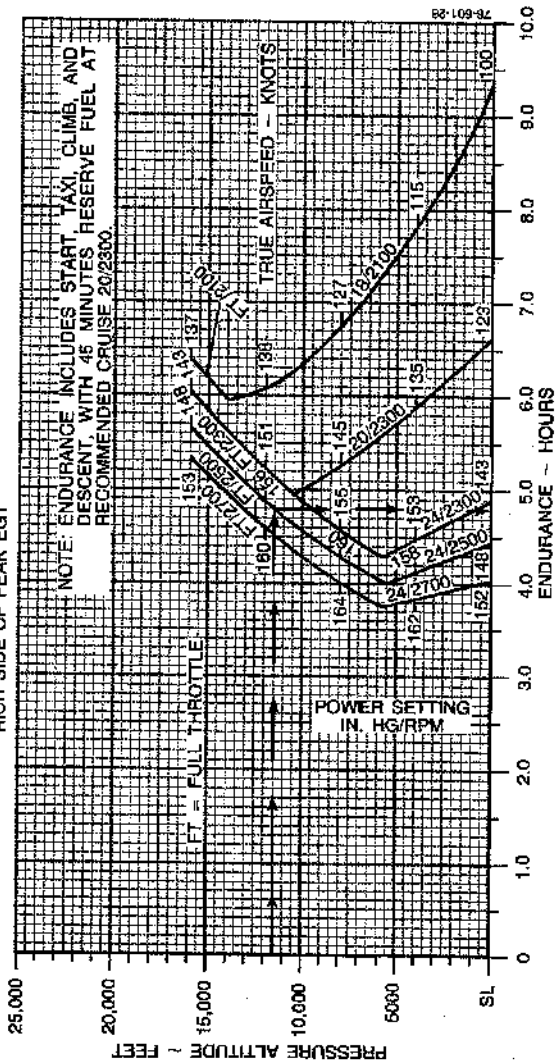
**ENDURANCE PROFILE - 100 GALLONS**  
**STANDARD DAY (ISA)**

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

3616 LBS BEFORE ENGINE START  
 AVIATION GASOLINE  
 6.0 LBS/GAL  
 INITIAL FUEL LOADING ..... 100 US GAL (600 LBS)  
 COWL FLAPS ..... CLOSED  
 MIXTURE ..... LEANED TO 25°-50°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT

**EXAMPLE:**

PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... 11,500 FT  
 POWER SETTING ..... FT/2500  
 ENDURANCE ..... 4.8 HRS



**HOLDING TIME**

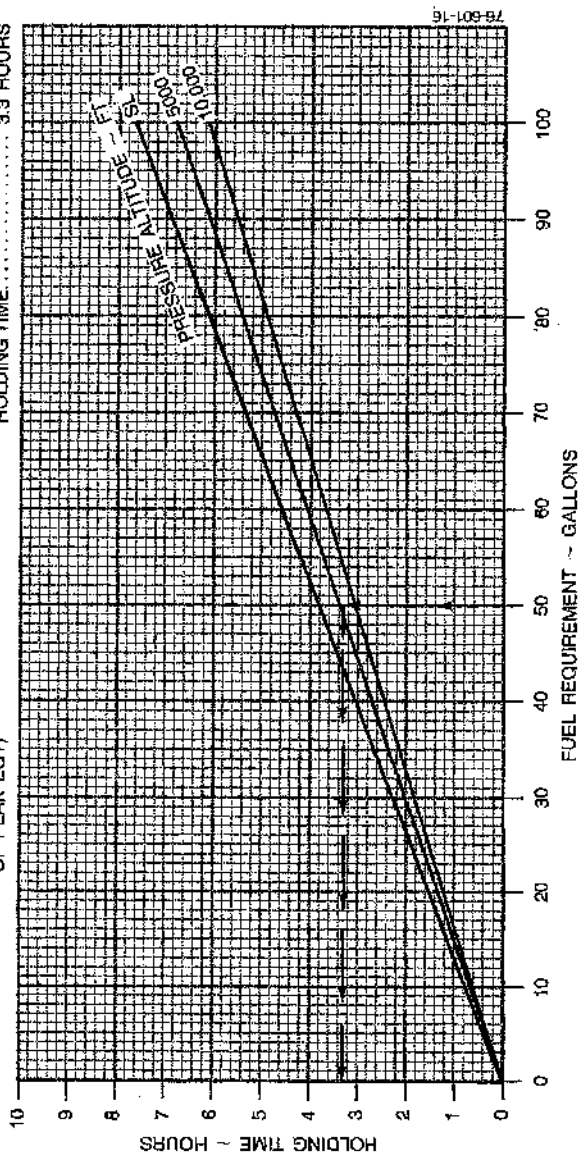
**APPLICABLE FOR ALL TEMPERATURES**

ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

POWER SETTING ..... 20 IN. HG OR FULL THROTTLE  
2300 RPM  
MIXTURE ..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN  
TO 75° - 100° F ON RICH SIDE  
OF PEAK EGT)

EXAMPLE:

FUEL AVAILABLE  
FOR HOLDING ..... 50 GALLONS  
PRESSURE ALTITUDE ..... 6000 FEET  
HOLDING TIME ..... 3.3 HOURS



**TIME, FUEL, AND DISTANCE TO DESCEND**

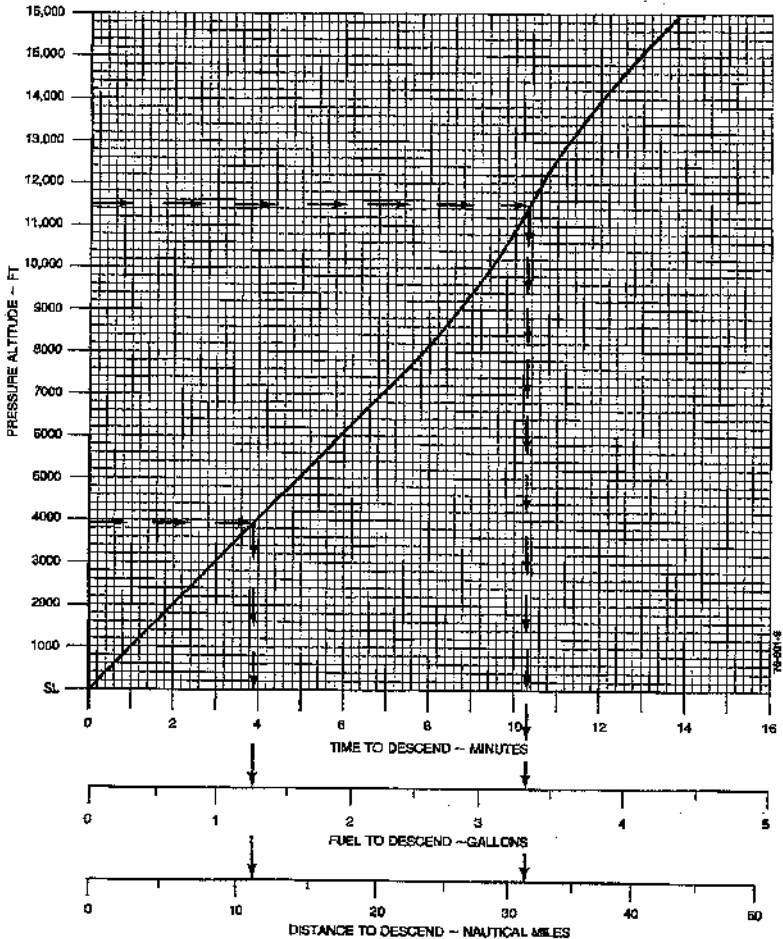
**DESCENT SPEED - 170 KNOTS**

ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

POWER..... AS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN  
                  1000 FT/MIN RATE OF DESCENT  
LANDING GEAR..... UP  
FLAPS..... UP  
MIXTURE..... FULL RICH (ABOVE 5000 FT LEAN TO  
                  75° - 100°F ON RICH SIDE OF PEAK EGT)

EXAMPLE:

INITIAL ALTITUDE..... 11,500 FT  
FINAL ALTITUDE..... 3985 FT  
TIME TO DESCEND..... 10 - 4 = 6 MINUTES  
FUEL TO DESCEND..... 3.4 - 1.3 = 2.1 GAL  
DISTANCE TO DESCEND..... 32 - 11 = 21 NM



# Section V Performance

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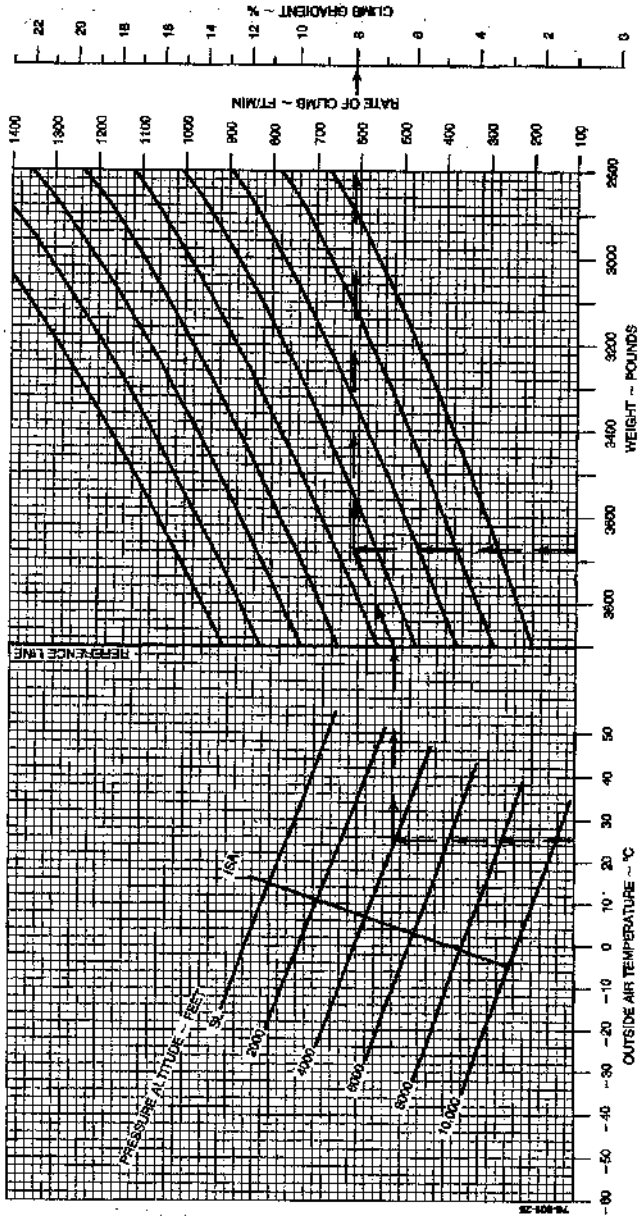
## CLIMB - BALKED LANDING CLIMB SPEED 71 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)

### ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

- POWER.....TAKE-OFF AT 2700 RPM
- FLAPS.....DOWN (DN)
- LANDING GEAR.....DOWN
- MIXTURE.....FULL-RICH (ABOVE 9000 FT  
LEAN TO 75° - 100°F ON RICH  
SIDE OF PEAK (ST))

### EXAMPLE:

- OAT.....28°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE.....9850 FT
- WEIGHT.....3577 LBS
- RATE OF CLIMB.....610 FT/MIN
- CLIMB GRADIENT......6%



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# Section V Performance

## LANDING DISTANCE - FLAPS DOWN (DN)

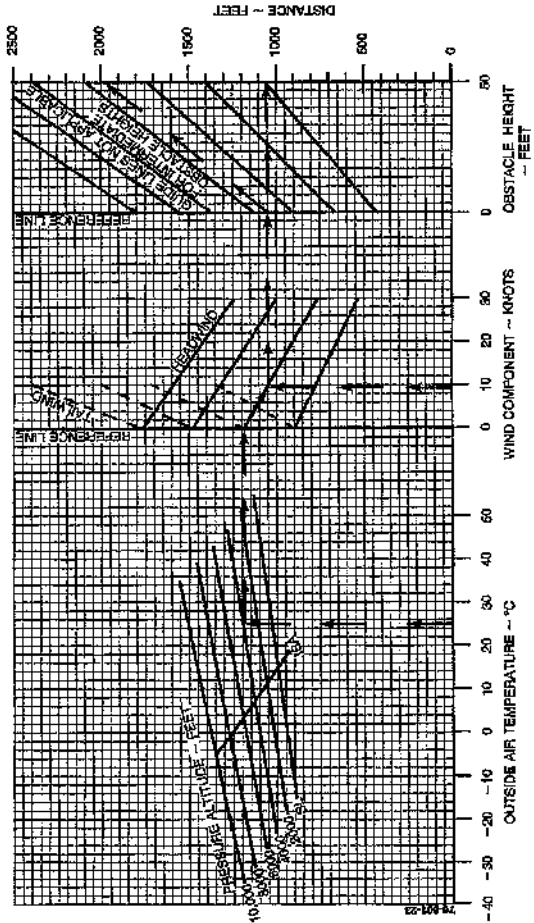
### APPROACH SPEED 76 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)

#### ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:

- POWER..... RETARD TO MAINTAIN 600 FT/MIN
- FLAPS..... DOWN (DN)
- LANDING GEAR..... DOWN (DN)
- RUNWAY SURFACE..... PAVED, LEVEL, DRY SURFACE
- APPROACH SPEED..... 76 KNOTS IAS
- BRAKING..... MAXIMUM

#### EXAMPLE:

- QAT..... 28°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE..... 3000 FT
- HEADWIND COMPONENT..... .86 R/TG
- GROUND ROLL..... 1870 FT
- TOTAL OVER 50 FT OBSTACLE..... 1970 FT
- APPROACH SPEED..... 78 KTS



**LANDING DISTANCE - FLAPS UP**

**APPROACH SPEED 87 KNOTS (ALL WEIGHTS)**

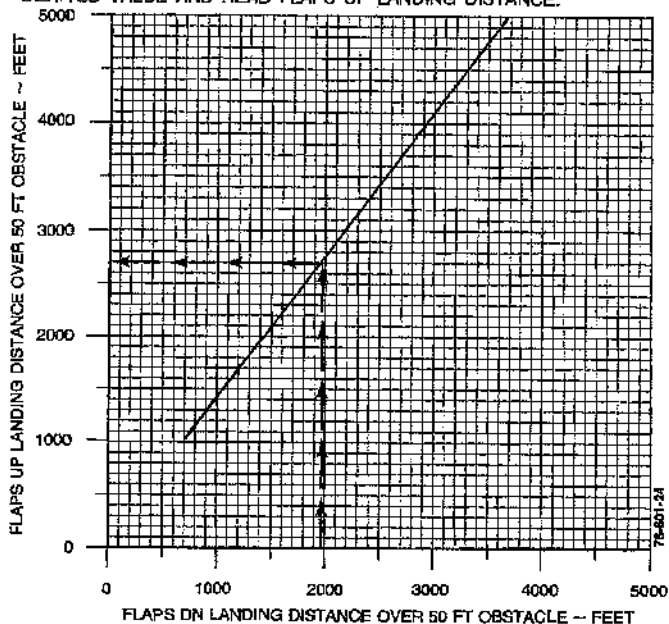
**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

POWER.....RETARD TO MAINTAIN  
600 FT/MIN ON FINAL  
APPROACH  
FLAPS.....UP  
LANDING GEAR.....DOWN  
RUNWAY.....PAVED, LEVEL,  
DRY SURFACE  
APPROACH SPEED.....87 KNOTS IAS  
BRAKING.....MAXIMUM

**EXAMPLE:**

FLAPS DN LANDING  
DISTANCE OVER  
50 FT OBSTACLE.....1970 FT  
FLAPS UP LANDING  
DISTANCE OVER  
50 FT OBSTACLE.....2700 FT  
APPROACH SPEED.....87 KTS

- NOTE: 1. LANDING WITH FLAPS FULL DOWN IS NORMAL PROCEDURE. USE THIS GRAPH WHEN IT IS NECESSARY TO LAND WITH FLAPS UP.  
2. TO DETERMINE FLAPS UP LANDING DISTANCE, READ FROM THE LANDING DISTANCE - FLAPS DOWN GRAPH, THE LANDING DISTANCE APPROPRIATE TO OAT, ALTITUDE, WIND, AND 50 FT OBSTACLE. ENTER THIS GRAPH WITH DERIVED VALUE AND READ FLAPS UP LANDING DISTANCE.



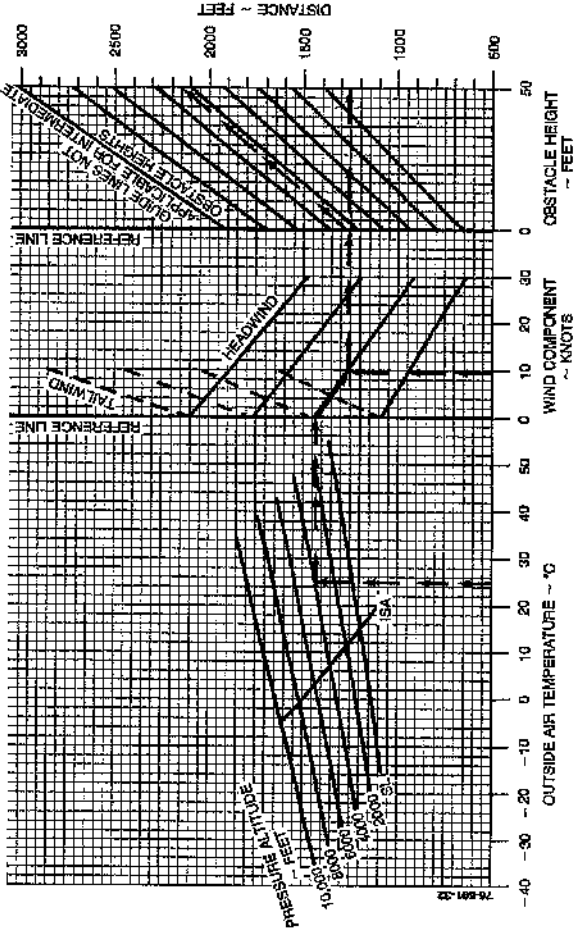
**LANDING DISTANCE - GRASS SURFACE - FLAPS DOWN (DN)  
APPROACH SPEED 76 KTS (ALL WEIGHTS)**

**ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS:**

- POWER.....RETARD TO MAINTAIN 800 FT/MIN ON FINAL APPROACH
- FLAPS.....DOWN (DN)
- LANDING GEAR...DOWN
- RUNWAY.....SHORT, DRY, GRASS
- APPROACH SPEED.....76 KTS
- BRACING.....MAXIMUM

**EXAMPLE:**

- OAT.....28°C
- PRESSURE ALTITUDE.....3965 FT
- HEADWIND COMPONENT.....9.6 KTS
- GROUND ROLL.....1260 FT
- TOTAL OVER 50 FT OBSTACLE.....2150 FT
- APPROACH SPEED.....76 KTS



# **SECTION VII**

## **SYSTEMS DESCRIPTION**

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## **AIRFRAME**

The BEECHCRAFT Duchess 76 is an all-metal, low-wing, twin-engine airplane with retractable tricycle landing gear. The T-tail empennage assembly consists of a vertical stabilizer and a top-mounted horizontal stabilizer.

## **SEATING ARRANGEMENTS**

In the standard configuration the airplane is equipped with two adjustable pilot seats and one rear fixed-bench seat. In the optional configuration, split third and fourth seats are installed to replace the fixed-bench seat. To adjust either of the front seats, pull the release knob located below the left forward seat corner (pull to the right, then up) and slide the seat forward or aft, to the desired position. Each seat should be locked securely in place, after adjustment. The backs of all individual seats can be placed in any of three positions by means of a lever located on the side of each seat. Headrests are available for each of the individual seats. Outboard armrests, for the front seats, are attached to the cabin doors.

## **FLIGHT CONTROLS**

### **CONTROL SURFACES**

The control surfaces are bearing supported and operated through conventional cable systems and push-pull rods terminating in bell cranks.

### **CONTROL COLUMN**

The airplane is equipped with dual control columns for the pilot and copilot. The control wheels are interconnected and provide aileron and elevator control.

## **RUDDER PEDALS**

The standard installation provides a set of rudder pedals for both the pilot and copilot. The main landing gear wheel brakes are operated by applying toe pressure to either set of rudder pedals.

## **TRIM CONTROLS**

Trim tabs on the rudder and elevator are adjustable with the controls that are mounted on the lower center console. The trim tabs and controls are connected through closed cable systems. Mechanical position indicators for each of the trim tabs are integrated with their respective controls. Elevator trim is accomplished through either the electric or manual pitch trim system.

### ***MANUAL ELEVATOR TRIM***

The manual elevator trim is actuated by a handwheel located between the pilot seats. An elevator tab position indicator is located adjacent to the trim control handwheel. Forward rotation of wheel trims the airplane nose down, aft rotation trims nose up.

### ***ELECTRIC ELEVATOR TRIM***

The electric elevator trim system is controlled by the ON-OFF circuit-breaker-type switch located on the left subpanel and a thumb switch located on the pilot's control wheel. The ON-OFF switch must be in the ON position to operate the system. The thumb switch is depressed and moved forward for nose down, aft for nose up, and when released, returns to the center OFF position. When the system is not being electrically actuated, the manual trim control wheel may be used.

An emergency release button, incorporated in the system, is located on the left handle grip of the pilot's control wheel. This button can be quickly depressed to deactivate the system in case of a malfunction in the system. The system will remain deactivated only while the button is being held in the depressed position.

### ***AILERON TRIM***

The aileron trim control, located on the lower center console, is provided to displace the ailerons for trimming purposes. Displacement is maintained by cable loads imposed by the trimmer.

### **INSTRUMENT PANEL**

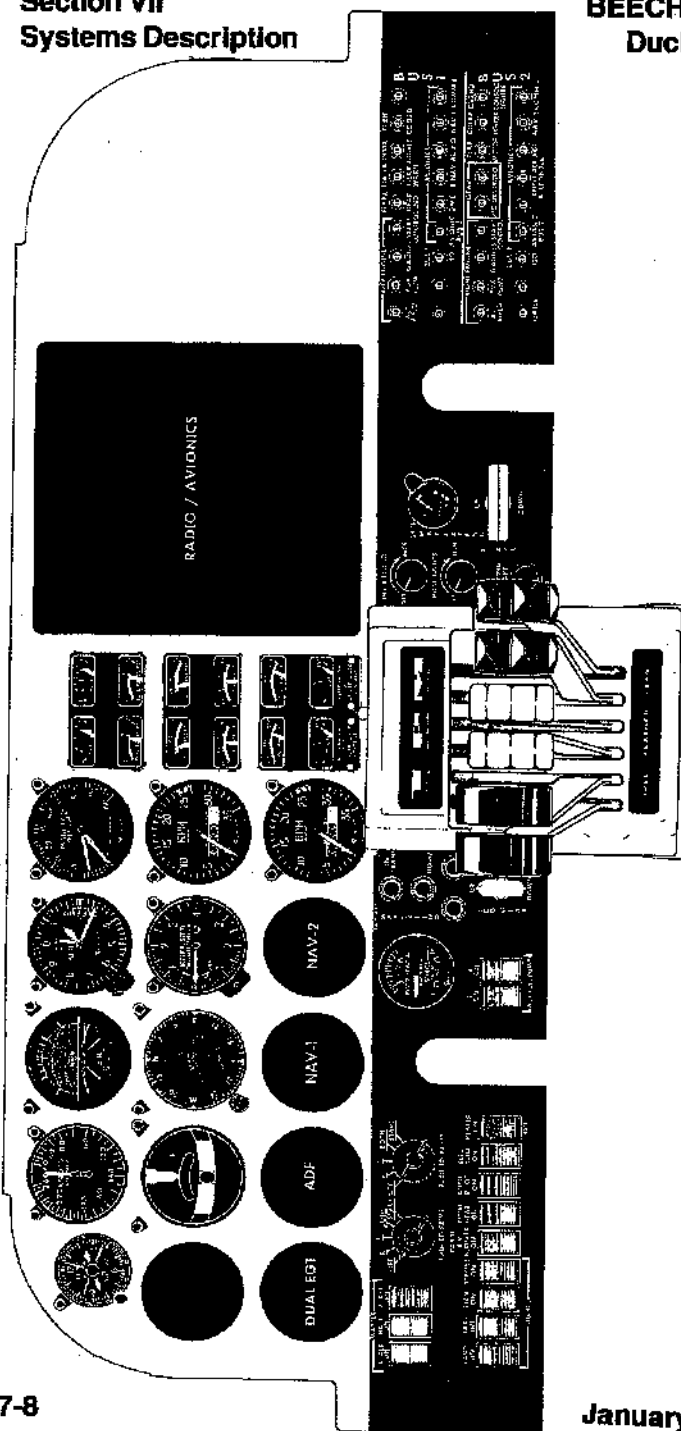
The standard instrument panel consists of flight, navigation, and engine instruments on the left, and an avionics section on the right.

The lower left subpanel contains the switches for control of the battery and alternators, magneto/start and prime, lights, environmental, and optional equipment. Also contained on the left subpanel are the auxiliary fuel pump switches, instrument air gage, landing gear control switch and gear indicator lights.

Located on the lower right subpanel are the rheostat switches for the instrument flood and post lights, parking brake control knob, flap switch, and flap position indicator. All of the circuit breakers, that are associated with the various placarded systems, are also located on the lower right subpanel.

**Section VII  
Systems Description**

**BEECHCRAFT  
Duchess 76**



**TYPICAL INSTRUMENT PANEL**

## **FLIGHT INSTRUMENTS**

The flight instruments are located on the instrument panel directly in front of the pilot's seat. Available flight instrumentation includes attitude and directional gyros, airspeed, altimeter, turn coordinator, vertical speed, and gyro pressure. The magnetic compass is mounted above the instrument panel and the outside air temperature indicator is located in the lower left corner of the windshield (ME-1 through ME-440) or in the center of the windshield above the compass (ME-441 and after). The clock is mounted in the upper left portion of the instrument panel.

## **ENGINE INSTRUMENTATION**

Most of the engine instruments are located in the center of the instrument panel. This group includes left and right instruments for fuel quantity, fuel pressure, oil pressure, oil temperature, cylinder head temperature, and loadmeters. The alternator-out annunciator lights for each alternator and the test switch are located adjacent to the loadmeters. The balance of the engine instruments, located above the left subpanel, include a dual indicating manifold pressure gage, tachometers, and a dual indicating exhaust gas temperature indicator. A dual indicating tachometer (ME-140 and after) is offered as optional equipment in lieu of the two (left and right) standard tachometer indicators.

## **GROUND CONTROL**

The spring-loaded linkage from the nose gear to the rudder pedals allows for nose wheel steering. Smooth turning is accomplished by allowing the airplane to roll while depressing the appropriate rudder pedal. Sharper turns require light brake pedal pressure on the depressed rudder pedal.

The minimum wing-tip turning radius of 27 feet 2 inches is accomplished by using full steering, one brake, and differential power.

## **WING FLAPS**

The wing flaps are controlled by a three-position switch, UP, OFF, and DOWN, located on the subpanel, to the right of the control console. The switch must be pulled out of detent before it can be repositioned. A dial-type indicator, located adjacent to the flap switch, has position markings for UP, 10°, 20°, and DN.

Limit switches automatically interrupt power to the electric motor when the flaps reach the extremes of travel. Intermediate flap positions can be obtained by placing the three-position switch in the OFF position during flap extension or retraction.

Lowering the flaps in flight will produce the following effects:

Attitude - Nose Down  
Airspeed - Reduced  
Stall Speed - Lowered

When the flaps are extended beyond approximately 16°, the landing gear warning horn will sound (regardless of throttle position) if the landing gear is not down and locked.

## **LANDING GEAR SYSTEM**

The retractable tricycle landing gear is fabricated from magnesium castings and aluminum forgings. Retraction and extension of the gear is accomplished through the use of an electrically driven hydraulic pump and hydraulic system terminating in a hydraulic actuator assembly mounted in each wheel well. The landing gear may be hydraulically extended or retracted, and may be lowered manually.

### **CONTROL SWITCH**

The landing gear is controlled by a two-position switch located on the left subpanel. The switch handle must be pulled out of the safety detent before it can be moved to the opposite position.

### **POSITION INDICATORS**

The landing gear position indicator lights are located above the landing gear switch handle. Three green lights, one for each gear, are illuminated whenever the landing gear is down and locked. The red light illuminates any time the landing gear is in transit or in any intermediate position. All of the lights will be extinguished when the gear is up.

Pressing the face of each landing gear position indicator light will verify the landing gear lights are functional. The intensity of the lamps can be controlled by turning the lens holder on each lamp.

### **TIME-DELAY RELAY (ME-183 and after)**

Landing gear retraction operation is protected by a time-delay relay which will disengage electrical power to the hydraulic pump motor after 30 seconds of continuous pump operation. If the landing gear in-transit light remains illuminated; it indicates improper response of the landing gear. The time-delay relay can be reset by moving the landing gear switch handle to the down position. The landing gear and retract system should be checked before the next flight.

## SAFETY RETRACTION SWITCH

To prevent inadvertent retraction of the landing gear on the ground, a safety pressure switch is installed in the pitot system to deactivate the hydraulic pressure pump circuit when the impact air pressure is below 59 to 63 knots.

### **WARNING**

Never rely on the safety switch to keep the gear down during taxi, take-off roll, or landing roll. Always make certain that the landing gear switch handle is in the down position during these operations.

## WARNING HORN

If either or both throttles are retarded below an engine setting sufficient to sustain flight and the landing gear is retracted, the landing gear warning horn will sound intermittently. Also, when the flaps are extended beyond approximately 16°, the warning horn will sound, regardless of throttle position, if the landing gear is not down and locked.

## WARNING HORN "Q" SWITCH

An optional "Q" switch is available to prevent the gear warning horn from sounding with the throttle(s) retarded and the landing gear retracted. In order for the "Q" switch to interrupt the gear warning horn, the airspeed must be above 99 to 106 KIAS and the flaps must be retracted above approximately 16°.

### **WARNING HORN SILENCE BUTTON**

An optional gear warning horn silence button allows the pilot to manually silence the warning horn with either throttle retarded, the landing gear retracted, and the flaps retracted above approximately  $16^{\circ}$ . The push-to-silence button is located next to the landing gear control switch and is placarded "GEAR HORN SILENCE". A red light in the button illuminates when the gear horn silence system is activated.

When either throttle is retarded sufficiently to activate the gear warning horn, the horn may be silenced with the button. If the other throttle is then retarded, the warning horn will again sound and cannot be silenced. After a single throttle has been retarded and the resulting warning horn silenced with the button, readvancing the throttle resets the warning horn and it will again sound when either throttle is retarded. The warning horn is also reset when the landing gear are lowered. When the flaps are extended beyond approximately  $16^{\circ}$ , the button will not silence the warning horn.

### **CIRCUIT BREAKER**

The landing GEAR MOTOR circuit breaker and the landing GEAR CONTROL circuit breaker are located on the right subpanel. The circuit breakers are the pull-and-reset type and will pop out under overload conditions.

### **EMERGENCY EXTENSION**

The landing gear can be manually extended by turning the hydraulic pressure bypass valve  $90^{\circ}$  counterclockwise. The valve is located under the access door on the floor in front of the pilot's seat. When the system pressure is released, the gear will fall into the down-and-locked position. The emergency extension procedure is outlined in the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section.

## **BRAKES**

The brakes on the main landing gear wheels are operated by applying toe pressure to the top of the rudder pedals. The parking brakes push-pull control is located on the right sub-panel just left of the flap switch. To set the parking brakes, pull the control out and pump both toe pedals until solid resistance is felt. Push the control in to release the brakes.

The hydraulic brake fluid reservoir is located on the left side of the forward cabin bulkhead and is accessible through the nose compartment. Fluid level is checked with the dipstick attached to the reservoir cap. The brakes require no adjustment, since the pistons move outward to compensate for lining wear.

### ***CAUTION***

Install wheel chocks and release the parking brake if the airplane is to be left unattended. Changes in ambient temperatures can cause the brakes to release or exert excessive pressures.

## **BAGGAGE COMPARTMENT**

The aft baggage compartment is accessible through the utility door on the left side of the fuselage. This area extends aft of the rear seats to the rear bulkhead. Loading within the baggage compartment must be in accordance with the data in the WEIGHT AND BALANCE section. All baggage must be secured with the nylon straps, which are provided in the baggage compartment.

The hat shelf, located near the top of the aft cabin enclosure, provides an area for light miscellaneous articles. Both the baggage compartment and the hat shelf are accessible in flight.

### **WARNING**

Do not carry hazardous material anywhere in the airplane.

Do not carry children in the baggage compartment.

## **SEATS, SEAT BELTS, AND SHOULDER HARNESSSES**

### **SEATS**

To adjust either of the front seats, pull the release knob located below the left forward seat corner (pull to the right, then up) and slide the seat forward or aft to the desired position. Make certain each seat is locked securely in place after adjustment. The backs of all individual seats can be placed in any of three positions by means of a release lever located on the side of each seat. Headrests are available for each of the individual seats. Outboard armrests for the front seats are attached to the cabin doors.

### **SEAT BELTS**

All seats are provided with seat belts having a lever-action, quick-release, metal buckle. The seat belt length can be shortened or lengthened by allowing the excess belt to pull through the end of the buckle. Holding the buckle at a right angle to the belt releases the binding action, allowing the belt to slip.

## **SHOULDER HARNESES**

The shoulder harness is a standard installation for all seats and should be used with the seats in the upright position. The spring loading at the inertia reel keeps the harness snug, but will allow normal movement during flight operations. The inertia reel is designed with a locking device that will secure the harness in the event of sudden forward movement or an impact action. The strap is worn over the shoulder and down across the body, where it is fastened by a metal loop to the seat belt buckle. The inertia reels for the front and middle seats are attached to the lower cabin sidewall structure at the aft edge of the respective seat. The inertia reel is covered with an escutcheon, and the strap runs up from the reel to a looped fitting attached to the window frame just aft of the seat. For stowing these shoulder harness straps, stowage attach points are provided adjacent to the inertia reel on the cabin sidewall.

### **WARNING**

The seat belt is independent of the shoulder harness; however, the shoulder harness may be used only when the seat belt is fastened.

Occupants shorter than 4'7" are not to use shoulder harness.

## **DOORS AND EXITS**

### **FORWARD CABIN DOORS**

The airplane has a conventional cabin door on each side of the fuselage adjacent to the forward seats. When closed, the outside cabin door handle is spring-loaded to fit into a recess

in the door. The door can be locked with a key. To open the door from the outside, lift the handle from its recess and pull until the door opens. To close the cabin door from the inside, grasp the armrest attached to the door and firmly pull the door closed. Opening the storm window will alleviate pressure inside the cabin as the door is being closed. Press firmly outward at the upper aft edge of the door. If any movement of the door is detected, completely open the door and close again following the above instructions. To open the door from the inside, grasp the door release handle and pull until door latch releases.

#### **AFT UTILITY DOOR**

The aft utility door on the left side of the fuselage is provided for loading baggage into the aft cabin area. This door can be opened from outside the airplane or from the inside. To open the door from the outside, lift the handle from its recess and pull until the door opens. To open the door from the inside, pull out on the locking pin adjacent to the door handle, then rotate the handle counterclockwise (approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn) until the door opens. The door handle is equipped with a keyhole and can be locked, as desired.

#### **EMERGENCY EXITS**

An emergency exit can be accomplished through either of the forward cabin doors, or the aft utility door.

#### **CONTROL LOCK**

A control lock is provided with the loose tools. When installed on ME-1 thru ME-338 it prevents movement of the control column and impairs access to the magneto/start

switches. On Serials ME-339 and after, and airplanes prior to ME-339 complying with BEECHCRAFT Service Instructions No. 1136, the control lock prevents movement of the control column, impairs access to the magneto/switches, and also prevents movement of the throttles and rudder pedals.

*To Install the Control Lock (Serials ME-1 thru ME-338):*

1. Rotate control wheel and move control column so the holes in the control column hanger and the control column will align to accept the pin.
2. Push the control column lock pin through the hole provided in the control column hanger and into the hole in the underside of the control column tube assembly.
3. Ensure positive retention of the lock pin by positioning the hook over the control column.

### **WARNING**

Before starting the engines, remove the control lock by reversing the above procedure.

*To Install the Control Lock (ME-339 and after, and airplanes prior to ME-339 complying with BEECHCRAFT Service Instructions No. 1136):*

1. Install throttle control lock on the engine control quadrant.
2. Install rudder lock by inserting the upright tabs of the rudder lock between the bottom of the rudder pedals and the rudder bars.
3. Rotate the control wheel and move control column so the holes in the control column hanger and the control column will align to accept the pin. Push the control column lock pin through the hole provided in the control column hanger and into the hole in the

underside of the control column tube assembly. Ensure positive retention of the lock pin by positioning the hook over the control column.

#### **NOTE**

Tension on the cable between the rudder lock and the control column lock holds the rudder lock in place.

#### **WARNING**

Before starting the engines, remove the control lock by reversing the above procedure.

### **ENGINES**

Two direct-drive, four-cylinder, horizontally opposed, Avco Lycoming engines are installed. An O-360-A1G6D (clockwise rotating as viewed from the pilot's seat) engine is mounted on the left wing, and an LO-360-A1G6D (counterclockwise rotating) engine is mounted on the right wing. Each engine is rated at 180 horsepower at 2700 rpm.

### **ENGINE CONTROLS**

#### **THROTTLE, PROPELLER, AND MIXTURE**

The control levers are grouped along the upper portion of the control console. Pushing forward on a control lever increases its appropriate function, pulling back decreases it. The knobs

on the levers are shaped to standard government configuration so they can be identified by touch. The controls are centrally located for ease of operation from either the pilot's or the copilot's seat. A controllable friction knob, located to the right of the control levers, is provided to prevent creeping of the control levers.

## **ENGINE INSTRUMENTATION**

Most of the engine instruments are located in the center of the instrument panel. This group includes left and right instruments for fuel quantity, fuel pressure, oil pressure, oil temperature, cylinder head temperature, and loadmeters. The alternator-out annunciator lights for each alternator, and the test switch for the lights, are located adjacent to the loadmeters. The balance of the engine instruments, located above the left subpanel, include a dual-indicating manifold pressure gage, tachometers, and a dual-indicating exhaust gas temperature indicator.

### **MANIFOLD PRESSURE GAGE**

The dual-indicating manifold pressure gage indicates the pressure of the fuel/air mixture entering the engine cylinders of each engine, and is calibrated in inches of mercury.

### **EXHAUST GAS TEMPERATURE INDICATOR (EGT)**

This installation provides for a sensitive and rapid indication of exhaust gas temperature to assist in adjusting the fuel/air mixtures during cruise. Procedures pertaining to leaning the mixture using the EGT indicator are contained in the NORMAL PROCEDURES section.

### **ENGINE BREAK-IN INFORMATION**

New engines have been carefully run-in by the engine manufacturer. However, the engines should be operated on straight mineral oil for a minimum of 50 hours or until oil consumption stabilizes. After the first 25 hours of operation, drain and replace the mineral oil. A change to an approved engine oil should be made after the break-in period. Refer to Lycoming Engine Operator's Manual.

#### **NOTE**

In order to promote proper ring seating, cruise power settings of 65% to 75% should be used until a total of 50 hours has accumulated or until oil consumption has stabilized. This recommendation is applicable to in-service engines following cylinder replacement or top-overhaul of one or more cylinders, as well as to new engines.

### **ENGINE LUBRICATION**

The engines are equipped with a wet-sump, pressure-type oil system. Each engine sump has a capacity of 8 quarts. The oil level may be checked through the access door in each engine cowling. A calibrated dipstick attached to the filler cap indicates the oil level. Due to the canted position of the engines, the dipsticks are calibrated for either right or left engines and are not interchangeable.

Oil operating temperatures are controlled by an automatic thermostat bypass control. The bypass control will limit the oil flow through the oil cooler when operating temperatures are below normal, and will permit the oil to bypass the cooler if it should become blocked.

### **ENGINE ICE PROTECTION**

The possibility of induction system icing is reduced by the carburetor air heat system.

### **CARBURETOR HEAT**

The carburetor heat control levers are located just below the control console on the pedestal. The levers have two placarded positions: OFF - ON. When the levers are in the OFF (up) position, cold and filtered air enters the induction system. Placing the levers in the ON (down) position allows heated and unfiltered air to enter the induction system to alleviate the possibility of carburetor ice. Carburetor air heat should be used in accordance with the recommendations in the NORMAL PROCEDURES section.

### **INDUCTION AIR**

Induction air is available from filtered ram air or unfiltered carburetor heat air. Filtered ram air enters from above the engine inside the nacelle area.

### **COWL FLAPS**

The manual cowl flaps are controlled by separate levers located just below the carburetor heat controls on the pedestal. Each control lever has three placarded positions: CLOSE (up) - HALF - OPEN (down). The control levers allow the cowl flaps to be positioned so that the desired cylinder head temperatures can be maintained.

### **STARTERS**

The magneto/start switches are located on the subpanel to the left of the pilot's control column and incorporate R (right), L (left), and BOTH magneto positions in addition to the OFF and START positions. After activation of the starter, the spring-loaded switch returns to the BOTH position when released. Also, the switches include a PUSH TO PRIME position that activates the electric fuel priming function for the purpose of supplying additional fuel to the engine during starting.

■ The warning light placarded STARTER ENGAGED (ME-

333, ME-346 and after) is located between the Left Magneto/Start and Right Magneto/Start switches on the pilot's left subpanel. The starter engaged warning light will illuminate whenever electrical power is being supplied to the starter. If the light remains illuminated after starting, the starter relay has remained engaged and loss of electrical power may result.

### **PROPELLERS**

The airplane is equipped with two Hartzell, 76-inch diameter, constant-speed, full-feathering, two-blade propellers. Propeller rpm is controlled by the engine-driven propeller governor which regulates hydraulic oil pressure to the hub. The propeller controls, on the control console, allow the pilot to select the governor's rpm range. Springs and dome air pressure, aided by counterweights, move the blades to high pitch. Engine oil under governor-boosted pressure moves the blades to the high rpm (low pitch) position.

The propellers should be cycled occasionally during cold weather operation. This will help maintain warm oil in the propeller hubs so that the oil will not congeal.

### **FUEL SYSTEM**

The airplane is designed for operation on grade 100 (green) or 100LL (blue) aviation gasoline. The fuel system is an ON-CROSSFEED - OFF arrangement. The fuel selector panel, located on the lower portion of the center pedestal, contains the fuel selector levers for each engine.

The fuel is drawn from the respective tank through the fuel strainer and to the fuel selector valve, located aft of the firewall in each nacelle. From the fuel selector valve, the fuel passes through a check valve and then through the engine-driven fuel pump and delivered to the carburetor. The cabin heater, located in the nose compartment, uses fuel (approximately 2/3 gallon per hour) from the right wing tank fuel system only.

## FUEL TANKS

The fuel system consists of a bonded leading-edge fuel tank located outboard of the nacelle in each wing. The fuel tank in each wing has a capacity of 51.5 gallons for a total fuel capacity of 103 gallons (100 gallons usable). Each wing is serviced through a single filler located in the outboard portion of each wing. The filler neck of each tank contains a visual measuring tab which facilitates partial filling of the fuel system. When the fuel level reaches the bottom of the tab, it indicates 30 (28.5 usable) gallons of fuel in that tank. The center mark on the tab indicates 40 (38.5 usable) gallons of fuel and the mark at the top indicates a full tank of 51.5 (50 usable) gallons of fuel.

## FUEL SELECTOR VALVES

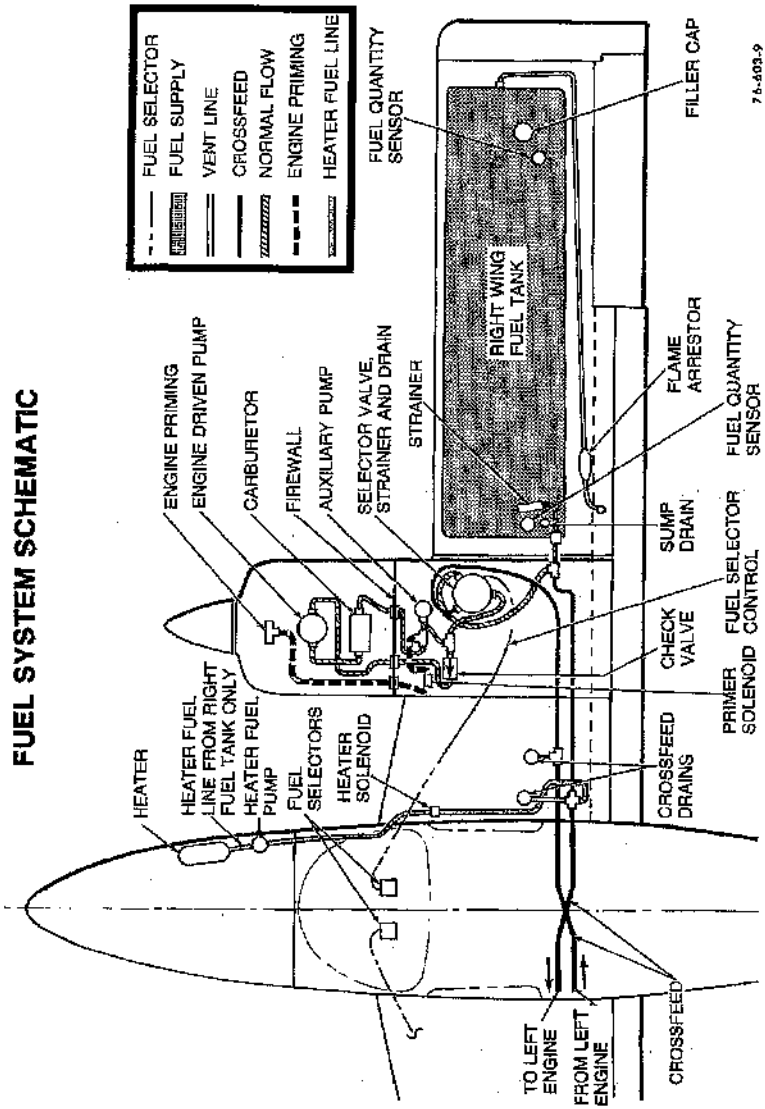
The fuel selector valves are located in each nacelle on the outboard side just forward of the wing leading edge. The valve is of the rotary type and is operated by push-pull cable from the floor console between the front seats. The valve has three positions, ON - CROSSFEED - OFF, which are determined by detents in the valve. The floor console has a slot for each selector valve lever, with notches which correspond to the valve detents.

### NOTE

During operation, make certain fuel selector valves are in detent in the ON position. This can be determined by moving the levers slightly within the detent notch. Operation with the valve slightly out of detent could result in fuel transferring from one wing tank to the other.

The fuel selector valves also function as a preflight drain point and firewall fuel shutoff. The lower portion of the valve serves as a sediment bowl and contains the fuel strainer screen.

**FUEL SYSTEM SCHEMATIC**



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## FUEL DRAINS

The fuel system is drained at eight locations, four on each wing. A flush sump drain valve is located outboard of each nacelle on the underside of each wing tank. A drain is also provided for the fuel selector valve, located in the outboard underside of each nacelle aft of the firewall. Two flush drains are located inboard of each main gear wheel well for draining the crossfeed fuel lines.

The fuel selector valve drains are actuated manually by pushing up, approximately one-quarter inch, on the lower portion of the drain valve. All other fuel drains are flush-type valves and are actuated by using the combination fuel drain/emergency landing gear tool provided with the loose tools and equipment. Flush-type fuel drains are actuated by pushing in on the valve and then releasing when the desired amount of fuel has been drained. These drain valves can be locked open for the purpose of fuel off-loading or for totally draining the fuel system. Pushing in and turning counterclockwise will lock the drains in the open position. To close, turn clockwise and release.

## FUEL QUANTITY INDICATORS

Fuel quantity is measured by two float-operated sensors located in each wing tank system. The sensors transmit electrical signals to the individual indicators, located on the instrument panel, which indicate the amount of fuel remaining in each tank.

## AUXILIARY FUEL PUMPS

The electric auxiliary fuel pumps, one for each engine, are located in the nacelle just aft of the firewall. They are controlled by separate rocker-type ON-OFF switches, placarded AUX FUEL PUMP - L ON - R ON, located on the pilot's subpanel. The auxiliary fuel pumps provide pressure for

priming, starting, taxiing, takeoff, and landing. Also, the auxiliary fuel pump provides sufficient pressure for continued engine operation in case the engine-driven fuel pump becomes inoperative.

### **ENGINE PRIMING**

Each engine is equipped with a three-point (no. 1, 2, and 4 cylinders) fuel priming system. The magneto/start switches incorporate a PUSH TO PRIME function to aid in engine starting. The BATTERY MASTER and the AUX FUEL PUMP (L or R) switches must be turned on prior to activating the fuel priming system. The PUSH TO PRIME switch may be actuated in either the BOTH or START position. Pushing in on the magneto/start switch activates a solenoid, located behind the firewall in each nacelle, and supplies fuel directly into the no. 1, 2, and 4 cylinders for engine priming. Engine priming should be used in accordance with the recommendations in the NORMAL PROCEDURES section.

### **FUEL CROSSFEED**

The fuel lines for the engines are interconnected by crossfeed lines. During normal operation each engine uses its own fuel pumps to draw fuel from its respective wing fuel system. However, on emergency crossfeed operations, either engine can consume all the available fuel from the opposite side.

The fuel crossfeed system is provided for use during level flight, emergency conditions only. The system cannot transfer fuel from one wing system to the other. The procedure for using the crossfeed system is described in the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section.

### **FUEL REQUIRED FOR FLIGHT**

Flight planning and fuel loading are facilitated by the use of fuel quantity indicators that have been coordinated with the usable fuel supply. It is the pilot's responsibility to ascertain

that the fuel quantity indicators are functioning and maintaining a reasonable degree of accuracy, and be certain of ample fuel for each flight. A minimum of 9 gallons of fuel is required in each wing system before takeoff.

## **ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

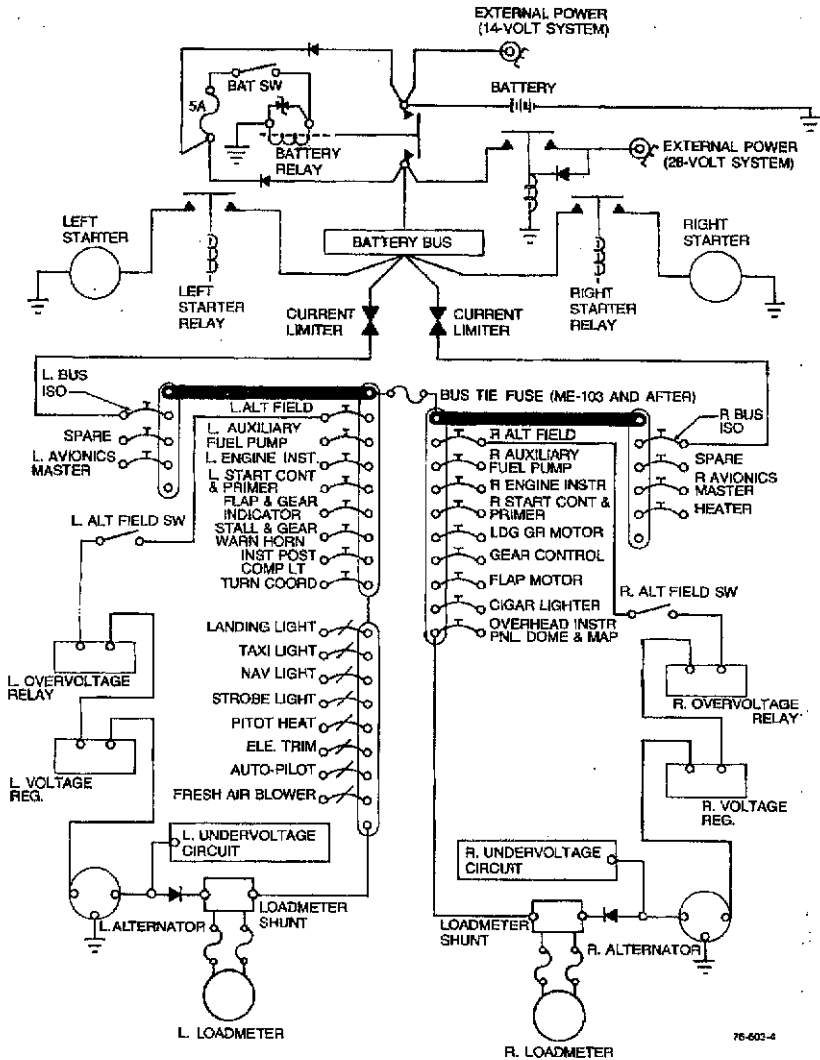
The system circuitry is the single-wire, ground-return type, with the airplane structure used as the ground return. The alternator switches, battery switch, magneto/start/prime switches, and auxiliary fuel pump switches are located on the pilot's subpanel. This panel contains most of the electrical system switches and switch-type circuit breakers. Each is placarded as to its function. The right subpanel contains the protective circuit breakers for the various electrical systems, and all avionics circuit breakers.

## **BATTERY**

One 24-volt, 15.5-ampere-hour, lead-acid battery (*ME-183 and after*) or one 12-volt, 35-ampere-hour, lead-acid battery (*ME-1 thru ME-182*) is installed in a battery box in the aft fuselage compartment. An optional installation (*ME-183 and after*) provides two 12-volt, 25-ampere-hour, lead-acid batteries, electrically connected in series and installed in the battery box. Battery servicing procedures are described in the HANDLING, SERVICING, and MAINTENANCE section.

The battery box is fitted with a lid for access to the battery or batteries. The lid is held in place with two lift-to-release latches.

Battery fumes and gases are vented to the outside through two vents in the lower fuselage skin below the battery box. The vents are so designed that there is a flow of air from the vent to the top of the box and out through the vent at the bottom of the box.



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**POWER DISTRIBUTION SCHEMATIC**

## ALTERNATORS

Two 55-ampere, 28-volt, belt-driven alternators (*ME-183 and after*) or two 60-ampere, 14-volt, belt-driven alternators (*ME-1 thru ME-182*) are installed in the airplane.

The output of each alternator is controlled by a separate voltage regulator. The alternator systems are completely separate, except for the BUS TIE FUSE (on airplanes ME-103 and after), the mutual tie to the battery bus through two bus isolation circuit breakers, and the paralleling circuit between the regulators. The bus-isolation circuit breakers are used to isolate Bus 1 and Bus 2 from the battery bus circuit. The regulators automatically maintain the bus voltage at a set value for all loads up to the alternator rating. The voltage regulators also maintain approximately equal load sharing between the two alternators.

The self-excitation load capability of the alternators is directly related to engine RPM. The self-excitation feature will not come on until approximately 1200 to 1400 RPM, with a load capability of approximately 50%. However, it will remain on as engine speed is reduced to approximately 850 to 1000 RPM. A maximum load capability of approximately 80% should be obtainable at approximately 2300 RPM engine speed.

### CAUTION

During an in-flight emergency, under no condition, shall more load be applied than is absolutely necessary for safe flight condition. Initiation of any flight using the self-excitation feature is strictly prohibited.

Individual alternator output is indicated by the two loadmeters (as opposed to the charge/discharge-type ammeter) located on the instrument panel. The loadmeters give a percentage reading of the load on the system.

There are two pairs of alternator-out warning lights, each pair placarded ALTERNATOR OUT - UNDER/OVER VOLTAGE. Each pair is adjacent to its corresponding loadmeter, located on the instrument panel. Anytime either alternator voltage is  $4 \pm .1$  volts (28-volt system) or  $2 \pm .1$  volts (14-volt system) below the bus voltage, the corresponding undervoltage alternator-out light will illuminate. When the battery is turned on with both alternators off, both alternator-out undervoltage lights will illuminate. The alternator-out overvoltage light (one for each alternator) will illuminate when the corresponding overvoltage relay is actuated. The overvoltage relay opens the affected alternator field, and the affected alternator voltage will drop to zero. The alternator-out lamps can be tested by pressing the TEST switch located adjacent to the lamps.

## **STARTERS**

The starters are relay-controlled and are actuated by rotary-type, momentary-on switches, incorporated in the magneto/start/prime switches located on the pilot's subpanel. To energize the starter circuit, hold the magneto/start/prime switch in the START position.

**STARTER ENGAGED WARNING LIGHT (ME-333, ME-346 AND AFTER)**

The warning light placarded STARTER ENGAGED will illuminate whenever electrical power is being supplied to the starter. If the light remains illuminated after starting, the starter relay has remained engaged and loss of electrical power may result. The battery and alternator switches should be turned off if the light remains illuminated after starting. If the light does not illuminate during starting, the indicator system is inoperative and the loadmeters should be monitored to ensure that the starter does not remain energized after starting.

**EXTERNAL POWER**

The external power receptacle is located either on the right (ME-1 through ME-440) or on the left (ME-441 and after) side of the fuselage, just aft of the cabin area. A negatively grounded external power source may be used for engine starting or for ground electrical system checks. Airplanes equipped with 14-volt systems (ME-1 through ME-182) require a power unit setting of 14 volts,  $\pm .2$  volts. Airplanes equipped with 28-volt system (ME-183 and after) require a power unit setting of 28 volts,  $\pm .2$  volts.

**CAUTION**

*On 14-volt airplanes, the power pin for external power is connected directly to the battery and continually energized. Turn off alternator switches, all electrical and avionics switches, and turn on battery switch before connecting the auxiliary power unit plug. Assure correct polarity (negative ground) before connecting auxiliary power unit.*

**CAUTION**

*On 28-volt airplanes, a reverse polarity diode protection system is between the external power receptacle and the main bus. With external power applied, the bus is powered. Turn on the battery switch only with all other switches including avionics switches off before connecting the auxiliary power unit. Assure correct polarity before connecting external power.*

When auxiliary power is desired, connect the clamps of the power cable to the remote power source, ensuring proper polarity. Turn OFF the ALT switches and ensure that all avionics equipment is OFF, and then turn ON the BATT switch. Insert the power cable plug into the receptacle, turn on auxiliary power unit, and start engine using the normal starting procedures.

## **LIGHTING SYSTEMS**

### **INTERIOR LIGHTING**

Lighting for the instrument panel is controlled by two rheostat switches located on the copilot's subpanel to the right of the control console. One switch, placarded INSTR FLOOD, controls the intensity of the overhead instrument flood light and the overhead map light. The other switch, placarded POST LIGHTS, adjusts the intensity of all post lights installed, magnetic compass light, and the internally lit engine instruments. The cabin dome light is controlled by the switch located adjacent to the light.

### **EXTERIOR LIGHTING**

The switches for all exterior lights are located on the lower portion of the pilot's subpanel. Each circuit is protected by a circuit-breaker-type switch.

The exterior lights consist of a landing light on the outboard leading-edge portion of the left wing, a taxi light on the outboard leading-edge portion of each wing, navigation lights on the wing tips and empennage, and a strobe light located on each wing tip. For longer battery and lamp life, use the landing light and the taxi lights sparingly; avoid prolonged operation which could cause overheating during ground maneuvering.

#### **NOTE**

Particularly at night, reflections from anti-collision lights on clouds, dense haze, or dust can produce optical illusions and intense vertigo. Such lights, when installed, should be turned off before entering an overcast; their use may not be advisable under instrument or limited VFR conditions.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS**

### **CABIN HEATING**

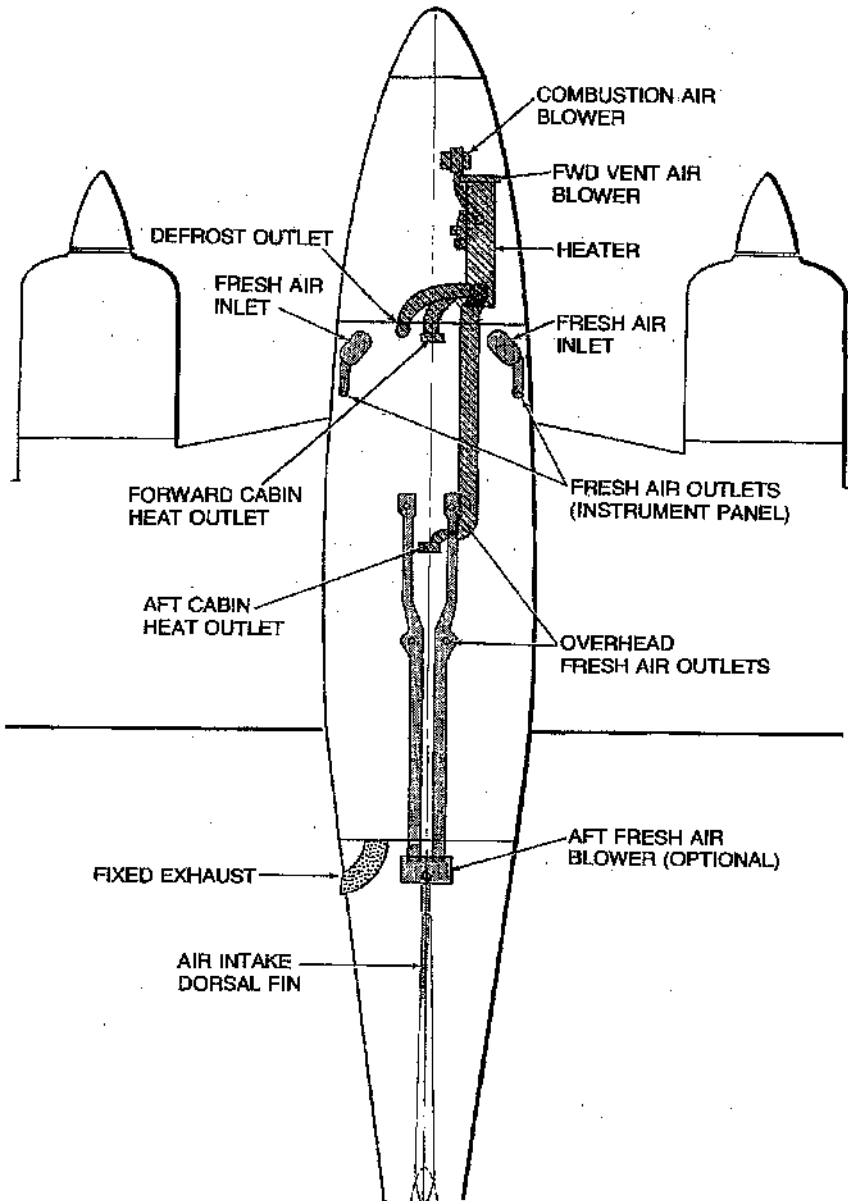
A 45,000 Btu-per-hour combustion air heater, located on the right side in the nose compartment, provides heated air for cabin warming and windshield defrosting. The heater system consists of a combustion air heater, three-position control switch, three push-pull control knobs, heater circuit breaker, manual reset limit (overheat) switch, combustion air blower, ventilation air blower, and a duct thermostat.

Fuel for the combustion heater is routed from the right wing fuel system, through a solenoid valve, to the heater fuel pump located under the heater, and into the combustion chamber of the heater. Fuel consumption of the heater is approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  gallons per hour and should be considered during flight planning.

### **NOTE**

The fuel solenoid is energized only if the duct thermostat, which controls the heater, requires a higher temperature.

Three outlets are located in the cabin to distribute the heated air into the cabin. One outlet is located on the lower forward cabin bulkhead and provides heated air for the pilot and copilot compartment. The second outlet is located between the pilot and copilot seats and faces aft, to provide heated air to the aft cabin area. The defrost duct is routed from the heater to the windshield outlet for windshield defrosting.



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The manual reset limit (overheat) switch (inaccessible during flight), located on the heater, shuts off the heat system in case the discharge temperature reaches 300° F.

**CAUTION**

The entire system should be inspected and the malfunction determined and corrected before re-setting the overheat switch.

**HEATER OPERATION**

1. The three-position switch on the pilot's subpanel, placarded **HEATER - ON, BLOWER ONLY, OFF**, must be in the **ON** position to place the heating system in operation.
2. The push-pull knob on the left sidewall, placarded **DE-FROST - PULL ON**, controls the amount of air required for windshield defrosting.
3. The push-pull knob, located below the defrost knob, placarded **CABIN AIR - PULL OFF**, controls the amount of air entering the cabin from the heater. Pulling the knob more than approximately one-half closed deactivates the heater in order to prevent heater overtemp.

**NOTE**

For maximum heat, the **CABIN AIR** control can be pulled partially out to reduce the volume of incoming cold air and permitting the heater to raise the temperature of the admitted air. However, if the **CABIN AIR** control is pulled out more than halfway, the heater will not operate.

4. The push-pull knob, located below the cabin air control, placarded CABIN TEMP - PULL TO INCREASE, controls the temperature of the air entering the cabin. Pulling aft on the knob increases the temperature at which the duct thermostat switch opens (controlling the heater).

### **CABIN VENTILATION**

In flight, to provide unheated air through the same outlets used for heating, push the CABIN AIR and CABIN TEMP controls forward. The air intake for this system is located on the right side of the nose compartment.

For ventilation through these same outlets during ground operation, push the CABIN AIR control forward and place the three-position switch, on the pilot's subpanel, in the BLOWER ONLY position. The BLOWER ONLY position is for ground operation only and will shut off the blower when the landing gear is retracted.

Fresh ram air is also provided through an outlet located on each side of the instrument panel. Fresh air for these outlets enters the two vents located immediately forward of the windshield. Rotation of the outlets controls the flow of air.

### **OVERHEAD FRESH AIR OUTLETS**

Fresh air from the intake on the left side of the dorsal fin is ducted to the individual outlets located above each seat. The volume of air at each outlet can be regulated by rotating the outlet. Each outlet can be positioned to direct the flow of air as desired. An optional fresh air blower for this system is located in the aft fuselage. The blower is controlled by the

circuit breaker switch on the pilot's subpanel placarded **CABIN AIR BLOWER**. The blower is designed for ground operation and climb-out and should be turned off during cruise.

#### **EXHAUST VENT**

A fixed cabin exhaust vent is located on the left side of the aft fuselage and provides for flow-through ventilation.

### **PITOT AND STATIC SYSTEMS**

The pitot and static systems provide a source of impact and static air for the operation of the flight instruments.

#### **PITOT SYSTEM**

A standard pitot tube for the pilot's flight instruments is located on the outboard portion of the left wing leading edge. The optional pitot tube (ME-44 and after) for the copilot's flight instruments is located on the outboard portion of the right wing leading edge.

#### **PITOT HEAT**

A heating element is installed in the pitot mast and is controlled by the rocker-type switch located on the pilot's subpanel. The switch is placarded **PITOT HEAT - ON**, and should remain off during ground operations except for testing or for short intervals of time to remove ice or snow from the mast. One switch controls the heating elements in both pitot masts.

### **STATIC SYSTEM**

Static air is taken from a flush static port located on each side of the aft fuselage. The static air is routed to the rate-of-climb indicator, altimeter, and airspeed indicator.

The alternate static air source is designed to provide a source of static pressure to the instruments from inside the fuselage should the outside static air ports become blocked. An abnormal reading of the instruments supplied with static air could indicate a restriction in the outside static air ports. A lever on the lower sidewall adjacent to the pilot, is placarded OFF NORMAL - ON ALTERNATE. When it is desired or required to use this alternate source of static air, select the ON ALTERNATE position. To recognize the need and procedures for the use of alternate static air, refer to the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section. Airspeed Calibration and Altimeter Correction graphs are in the PERFORMANCE section.

The static air plumbing is drained by placing the lever in the ON ALTERNATE position momentarily and then returning it to the OFF NORMAL position.

### **PRESSURE SYSTEM**

Pressure for the flight instruments and autopilot (if installed) is supplied by two, engine-driven, dry, pressure pumps interconnected to form a single system. If either pump fails, check valves automatically close and the remaining pump continues to operate all gyro instruments. A pressure gage on the pilot's subpanel indicates pressure in inches of mercury. Two red buttons on the pressure gage serve as source failure indicators, each for its respective side of the system. The pressure system incorporates a central filter which protects the instruments. This disposable filter is installed in the nose compartment and must be replaced in accordance with the recommendations in the SERVICING section.

### **STALL WARNING**

The stall warning system consists of a sensing vane installed on the leading edge of each wing, a circuit breaker located on the right subpanel placarded **STALL & GEAR WARN**, and a stall warning horn in the overhead speaker console. The stall warning horn will sound a warning signal while there is time for the pilot to correct the attitude. The horn is triggered by the sensing vane on the left wing anytime the flaps are above approximately 16°. When the flaps are extended beyond approximately 16°, the vane on the right wing will activate the warning horn.

#### **NOTE**

With the **BATT** and **ALT** switches in the **OFF** position, the stall warning horn is inoperative.

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## **WEIGHT AND BALANCE/ EQUIPMENT LIST**

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### **AIRPLANE WEIGHING PROCEDURE**

Periodic weighing of the airplane may be required to keep the basic empty weight current. Frequency of weighing is to be determined by the operator. All changes to the airplane affecting weight and/or balance are the responsibility of the airplane operator.

1. The airplane may be weighed on wheels or on weighing points. Two weighing points are provided on the wing main spar at F.S. 129.37, and one on the lower aft fuselage tail skid aft attach point at F.S. 278.61.

2. Fuel is normally drained preparatory to a weighing from the regular drain ports while the airplane is in static ground attitude. When tanks are drained, 1.6 pounds of undrainable fuel remain in the airplane at F.S. 124.8. The remainder of the unusable fuel to be added to a drained system is 18.0 pounds at F.S. 123.0. If the airplane is weighed with fuel tanks topped off full, the fuel specific weight (pounds/gallon) should be determined by using a hydrometer. Compute total fuel weight by multiplying measured specific weight by 100 gallons. Fuel moment is determined by interpolation from fuel table.

3. Engine oil is to be at the full level as indicated by the dipstick. Total engine oil aboard when engines and systems are full is 37 pounds at F.S. 75.4

4. To determine airplane configuration at time of weighing, installed equipment is checked against the airplane equipment list or superseding forms. All equipment must be in its proper place during weighing.

5. The airplane weighing is performed with landing gear down, control surfaces in neutral position and doors closed.

6. The airplane is placed on the scales in level attitude. Leveling is accomplished with a spirit level on the aft baggage compartment floor. Leveling while on weighing points may require the nose gear shock strut to be secured in the static position to prevent its extension. Wheel weighings can be leveled by deflating the nose gear shock strut and/or tire.

7. Measurement of the reaction arms for a wheel weighing is made using the wing jack point at F.S. 129.37 for a jig point. While the airplane is level on the scales, linear measurements are taken from the reference (a plumb bob hanging from the center of either wing jack point) to the axle centerline of the main gear and then from the main wheel axle centerline to the nose gear axle centerline. The main wheel axle centerline is best located by stretching a string from one wheel to the other. All measurements are to be taken with the tape level with the floor and parallel to fuselage water lines. The location of the wheel reactions will be approximately at F.S. 132 for the main wheels and F.S. 47 for the nose wheel.

8. The wing and fuselage weighing points are used by placing scales on the points as specified in Step 1. Since the center of gravity of the airplane will be forward of the weighing points at F.S. 129.37, the tail reaction of the rear weighing point at F.S. 278.61 will be in an up direction. This can be measured on regular scales by placing ballast of approximately 400 pounds on the scale to which the rear weighing point adapter is attached by cable or adjustable chain (may be used for leveling). The up reaction will be the total ballast weight minus the scale reading and is entered in the weighing form as a negative quantity.

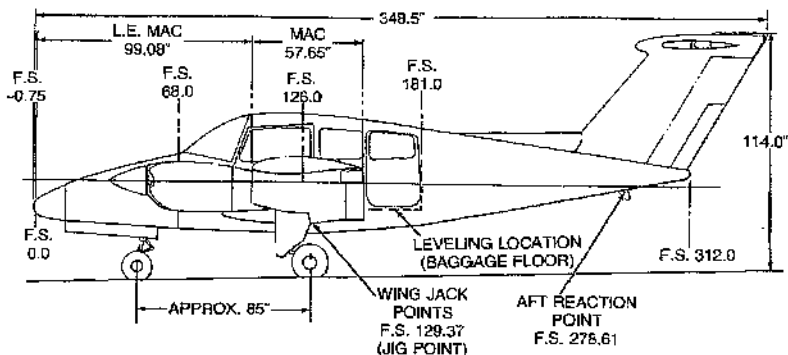
9. The basic empty weight and moment are determined on the basic empty weight and balance form. Items weighed

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which are not part of the basic empty weight are subtracted, i.e. usable fuel. Engine oil and unusable fuel are added if not already in the airplane.

10. Weighing should be made in an enclosed area which is free from air currents. The scales used should be properly calibrated and certified.



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**AIRCRAFT BASIC EMPTY WEIGHT AND BALANCE**

DUCHESS 76 SER. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ REG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 STRUT POSITION NOSE MAIN JACK POINT LOCATION PREPARED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
 EXTENDED 46.4 126.8 FORWARD 129.37 Company \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMPRESSED 47.9 133.5 AFT 278.61 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

REACTION	SCALE READING	TARE	NET WEIGHT	ARM	MOMENT
WHEEL - JACK POINTS					
LEFT MAIN					
RIGHT MAIN					
NOSE OR TAIL					
TOTAL (AS WEIGHED)					
Space below provided for additions and subtractions to as weighed condition.					
EMPTY WEIGHT					
ENGINE OIL			37	75.4	2790
UNUSABLE FUEL			20	123.2	2464
BASIC EMPTY WEIGHT			2691.0	1096	294977.0

**NOTE**

Each new airplane is delivered with a completed sample loading, basic empty weight and center of gravity, and equipment list, all pertinent to that specific airplane. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that changes in equipment are reflected in a new weight and balance and in an addendum to the equipment list. There are many ways of doing this; it is suggested that a running tally of equipment changes and their effect on basic empty weight and c.g. is a suitable means for meeting both requirements.

The current equipment list and basic empty weight and c.g. information must be retained with the airplane when it changes ownership. Beech Aircraft Corporation cannot maintain this information; the current status is known only to the owner. If these papers become lost, the FAA will require that the airplane be re-weighed to establish the basic empty weight and c.g. and that an inventory of installed equipment be conducted to create a new equipment list.

It is recommended that duplicate copies of the Basic Empty Weight and Balance sheet and the Equipment List be made and kept in an alternate location in the event the original handbook is misplaced.

**LOADING INSTRUCTIONS**

It is the responsibility of the airplane operator to assure that the airplane is properly loaded. At the time of delivery, Beech Aircraft Corporation provides the necessary weight and balance data to compute individual loadings. All subsequent changes in airplane weight and balance are the responsibility of the airplane owner and/or operator.



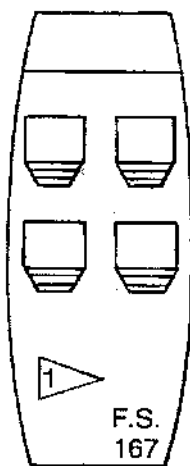


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The basic empty weight and moment of the airplane at the time of delivery are shown on the airplane Basic Empty Weight and Balance form. Useful load items which may be loaded into the airplane are shown on the Useful Load Weight and Moment tables. The minimum and maximum moments are shown on the Moment Limits vs Weight graph or table. These moments correspond to the forward and aft center of gravity flight limits for a particular weight. All moments are divided by 100 to simplify computations.


	F.S.
PILOT & F. PASS	
FWD POS	<u>105</u>
AFT POS	<u>112</u>
3RD & 4TH SEAT PASS	<u>144</u>
OR BENCH SEAT	<u>142</u>



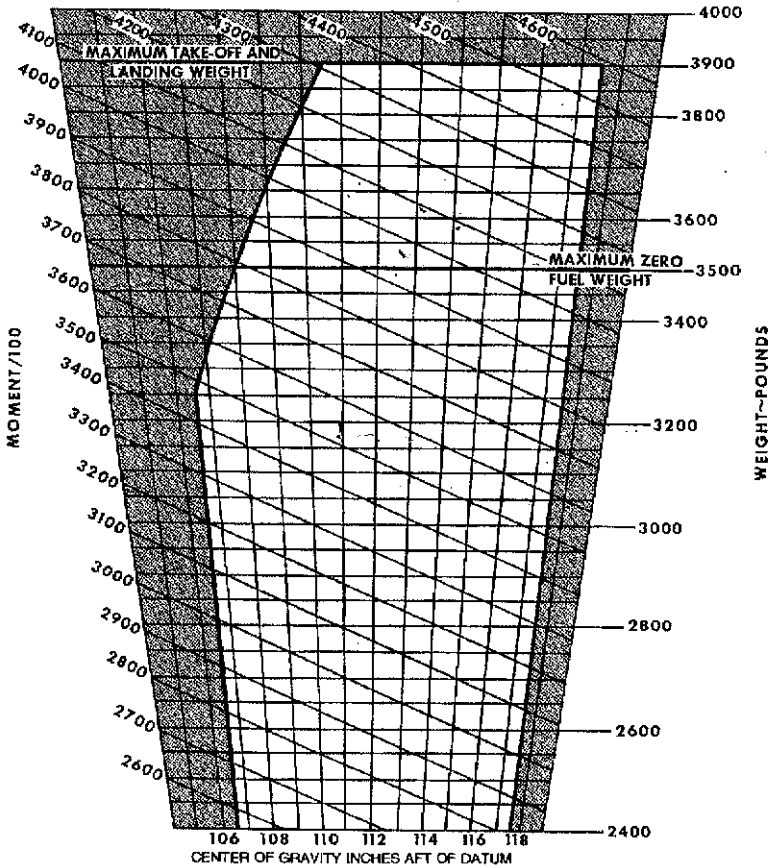
**NOTE**

THE FLOOR STRUCTURE LOAD LIMIT IS  
100 POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.

ALL BAGGAGE/CARGO MUST BE SECURED.

 MAXIMUM WEIGHT 200 POUNDS INCLUDING  
EQUIPMENT AND BAGGAGE

**MOMENT LIMITS VS WEIGHT**



ENVELOPE BASED ON THE FOLLOWING WEIGHT AND CENTER OF GRAVITY LIMIT DATA (LANDING GEAR DOWN)

WEIGHT CONDITION	FWD C. G. LIMIT	AFT C. G. LIMIT
3900 POUNDS (MAX. TAKE-OFF/LANDING)	110.6	117.5
3250 POUNDS OR LESS	106.6	117.5

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**MOMENT LIMITS vs WEIGHT**

WEIGHT POUNDS	MOMENT/100		WEIGHT POUNDS	MOMENT/100	
	FWD LIMIT	AFT LIMIT		FWD LIMIT	AFT LIMIT
2300	2452	2703	3125	3331	3672
2325	2479	2732	3150	3358	3701
2350	2505	2761	3175	3385	3731
2375	2532	2791	3200	3411	3760
2400	2558	2820			
2425	2585	2849	3225	3438	3789
2450	2612	2879	3250	3465	3819
2475	2638	2908	3275	3496	3848
2500	2665	2938	3300	3528	3878
2525	2692	2967	3325	3560	3907
2550	2718	2996	3350	3592	3936
2575	2745	3026	3375	3624	3966
2600	2772	3055	3400	3656	3995
2625	2798	3084	3425	3688	4024
2650	2825	3114	3450	3720	4054
2675	2852	3143	3475	3753	4083
2700	2878	3173	3500	3785	4113
2725	2905	3202	3525	3817	4142
2750	2932	3231	3550	3850	4171
2775	2958	3261	3575	3882	4201
2800	2985	3290	3600	3915	4230
2825	3012	3319	3625	3948	4259
2850	3038	3349	3650	3981	4289
2875	3065	3378	3675	4014	4318
2900	3091	3408	3700	4047	4348
2925	3118	3437	3725	4080	4377
2950	3145	3466	3750	4113	4406
2975	3171	3496	3775	4146	4436
3000	3198	3525	3800	4179	4465
3025	3225	3554	3825	4213	4494
3050	3251	3584	3850	4246	4524
3075	3278	3613	3875	4280	4553
3100	3305	3643	3900	4313	4583

### **COMPUTING PROCEDURE**

1. Record the Basic Empty Weight and Moment from the Basic Empty Weight and Balance form (or from the latest superseding form) under the Basic Empty Condition block. The moment must be divided by 100 to correspond to Useful Load Weights and Moments tables.

2. Record the weight and corresponding moment from the appropriate table of each of the useful load items (except fuel) to be carried in the airplane.

3. Total the weight column and moment column. The SUB-TOTALS are the ZERO FUEL CONDITION.

4. Determine the weight and corresponding moment for the total fuel loading to be used. Add the Total Fuel Loading Condition to Zero Fuel Condition to obtain the SUB-TOTAL Ramp Condition.

5. Subtract the fuel to be used for start and taxi to arrive at the SUB-TOTAL Take-off Condition.

6. Subtract the weight and moment of the FUEL TO DESTINATION from the take-off weight and moment. (Determine the weight and moment of this fuel by subtracting the amount on board at landing from the amount on board at takeoff.) The Zero Fuel Condition, the Take-off Condition and the Landing Condition moment must all be within the minimum and maximum moments shown on the Moment Limits vs Weight graph or table for that weight. If the total moment is less than the minimum moment allowed, useful load items must be shifted aft or forward load items reduced. If the total moment is greater than the maximum moment allowed, useful load items must be shifted forward or aft load items reduced. If the quantity or location of load items is changed, the calculations must be revised and the moments rechecked.

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The following Sample Loading chart is presented to depict the sample method of computing a load. Weights used DO NOT reflect an actual airplane loading.

**WEIGHT AND BALANCE LOADING FORM**

MODEL DUCHESS 76  
SERIAL NO. ME-00

DATE 0/0/00  
REG. NO. NXXXXX

ITEM	WEIGHT	MOM/100
1. BASIC EMPTY CONDITION	2543	2775
2. FRONT SEAT OCCUPANTS	340	380
3. 3rd & 4th SEAT OCCUPANTS OR BENCH SEAT OCCUPANTS	340	490
4.	-	-
5. AFT BAGGAGE	93	155
6. <b>SUB TOTAL</b> ZERO FUEL CONDITION (3500 LBS MAX.)	3316	3800
7. FUEL LOADING (100 gal.)	600	702
8. <b>SUB TOTAL</b> RAMP CONDITION	3916	4502
9. *LESS FUEL FOR START, TAXI, AND TAKEOFF	-16	-19
10. <b>SUB TOTAL</b> TAKE-OFF CONDITION	3900	4483
11. LESS FUEL TO DESTINATION (80 gal.)	-480	-562
12. <b>LANDING CONDITION</b>	3420	3921

\*Fuel for start, taxi, and takeoff is normally 16 lbs at an average mom/100 of 19.

**WEIGHT AND BALANCE LOADING FORM**

MODEL   DUCHESS 76        DATE                     
SERIAL NO.                         REG. NO.                   

ITEM	WEIGHT	MOM/100
1. BASIC EMPTY CONDITION		
2. FRONT SEAT OCCUPANTS		
3. 3rd & 4th SEAT OCCUPANTS OR BENCH SEAT OCCUPANTS		
4.		
5. AFT BAGGAGE		
6. <b>SUB TOTAL</b> ZERO FUEL CONDITION (3500 LBS MAX.)		
7. FUEL LOADING ( gal.)		
8. <b>SUB TOTAL</b> RAMP CONDITION		
9. *LESS FUEL FOR START, TAXI, AND TAKEOFF		
10. <b>SUB TOTAL</b> TAKE-OFF CONDITION		
11. LESS FUEL TO DESTINATION		
12. <b>LANDING CONDITION</b>		

\*Fuel for start, taxi, and takeoff is normally 16 lbs at an average mom/100 of 19.

USEFUL LOAD WEIGHTS AND MOMENTS

OCCUPANTS

WEIGHT	FRONT SEATS				3RD AND 4TH SEATS	
	*FWD POS.		*AFT POS.	STD. BENCH	OPTIONAL	ARM
	††ARM **104	†ARM **105	ARM **112	ARM **142	ARM **144	
MOMENT/100						
120	125	126	134	170	173	
130	135	137	146	185	187	
140	146	147	157	199	202	
150	156	158	168	213	216	
160	166	168	179	227	230	
170	177	179	190	241	245	
180	187	189	202	256	259	
190	198	200	213	270	274	
200	208	210	224	284	288	
210	218	220	235	298	302	
220	228	231	246	312	317	
230	239	241	258	327	331	
240	250	252	269	341	346	
250	260	262	280	355	360	

† Effective ME-1 thru ME-20

†† Effective ME-21 and after

\* Reclining seat with back in full-up position

\*\* Values computed from a C.G. criterion based on a 170 pound male. Differences in physical characteristics can cause variation in center of gravity location.

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BAGGAGE  
ARM 167

<b>WEIGHT</b>	<b><u>MOMENT</u></b> <b>100</b>
10	17
20	33
30	50
40	67
50	84
60	100
70	117
80	134
90	150
100	167
110	184
120	200
130	217
140	234
150	251
160	267
170	284
180	301
190	317
200	334

**USEFUL LOAD WEIGHTS AND MOMENTS**  
**USABLE FUEL**  
**ARM 117.0**

<b>GALLONS</b>	<b>WEIGHT LBS</b>	<b><u>MOMENT</u> 100</b>
10	60	70
20	120	140
30	180	211
40	240	281
50	300	351
60	360	421
70	420	491
80	480	562
90	540	632
100	600	702