

RISK MANAGEMENT

Pilot	Recent Experience Recent Skill Level Illness Medication Stress Alcohol Fatigue Eating
Aircraft	Airworthiness (AROW) Equipment Status Engine Performance, Takeoff and Landing Gross Weight Weight and Balance
enVironment	1-800-WX-BRIEF Deteriorating weather Ceiling Visibility Winds Precipitation Icing Turbulence Density Altitude Darkness Terrain Flight Plan NOTAMs TFRs
External	Passenger Pressures Organizational Pressure External Distractions

VELOCITY SPEEDS

Vr	55 KIAS	Vg	65 KIAS
Vx	64 KIAS	Vy	78 KIAS
Va	97 KIAS (2300 lbs)	Va	89 KIAS (1950 lbs)

PREFLIGHT INSPECTION

CABIN

1. Hobbs and Tach Time..... RECORD ON SHEET
2. Airworthiness.....Airworthy Cert, Registration, Op Limits, W&B
3. Control Wheel Lock..... REMOVE
4. Ignition Switch (key on glare shield) OFF
5. Radio/Avionics Master Switch OFF
6. Master Switch (double red rocker switch)..... ON
7. Fuel Quantity Indicators (gas gauge)CHECK
8. FlapsEXTEND
9. Interior and Exterior Lights CHECK (working condition)
10. Pitot Heat (IFR only) TEST (heat within 30 seconds)
11. Master Switch OFF
12. Baggage Door.....CHECK (closed and locked)

EMPENNAGE

1. Rudder Gust Lock REMOVE
2. Tail Tie Down..... DISCONNECT
3. Control Surfaces..... CHECK (hinges, balance)
4. Trim Tab CHECK security
5. Antennas CHECK for security of attachment and general condition

RIGHT WING TRAILING EDGE

1. Flaps SECURE (light tug)
2. Aileron..... CHECK (freedom of movement, hinges)

RIGHT WING

1. Wing Tie Down DISCONNECT
2. Main Wheel Tire..... CHECK (inflation, wear, cracks), REMOVE CHOCK
3. Fuel Sump.....DRAIN (check for contaminants)
4. Fuel Quantity..... MEASURE gallons
5. Fuel Filler Cap.....SECURE (aligned with longitudinal axis)

NOSE

1. Engine Oil LevelCHECK (8 max, 6 min)
2. Fuel Strainer Knob..... PULL 4 SECONDS, smells of fuel

3. Engine Cooling Inlets CLEAR of obstructions
4. Alternator BeltCHECK (present, looseness)
5. Propeller and Spinner CHECK (nicks, cracks)
6. Landing Light..... CHECK (filament)
7. Carburetor Air Filter CHECK (clean)
8. Exhaust PipeSECURE (light tug)
9. Nose Wheel Strut and Tire CHECK (inflation, wear, cracks)
10. Static Source Opening CHECK (clear)

LEFT WING

1. Main Wheel TireCHECK (inflation, wear, cracks), REMOVE CHOCK
2. Fuel Sump DRAIN (check for contaminants)
3. Fuel QuantityMEASURE gallons
4. Fuel Filler Cap SECURE (aligned with longitudinal axis)

LEFT WING LEADING EDGE

1. Pitot Tube CoverREMOVE, CHECK OPENING
2. Fuel Tank Vent Opening CHECK (clear)
3. Stall Warning Opening..... CHECK (apply light suction)
4. Wing Tie DownDISCONNECT

LEFT WING TRAILING EDGE

1. AileronCHECK (freedom of movement, hinges)
2. FlapSECURE (light tug)

PASSENGER BRIEFING

1. Seat, seatbelts and harnesses TAXI, TAKEOFF, LANDING
2. Door operation and exiting aircraft.....USE
3. Emergency equipment (fire extinguisher)..... LOCATION
4. Looking for Traffic.....POINT OUT
5. Sterile Cockpit..... TAXI, TAKEOFF, LANDING
6. Feeling ill..... TELL ME

BEFORE ENGINE START

1. Preflight inspection..... COMPLETE
2. Seat, belts shoulder harnesses..... ADJUST and LOCK

3. Seat Track and BackLOCKED
4. Fuel Selector Valve..... BOTH
5. Avionics/Radios..... OFF
6. Electrical Equipment (switches)..... OFF
7. Brakes..... TEST and SET
8. Circuit Breakers... CHECK IN
9. Alternate Static (IFR only)CHECK (slight dip in altimeter, then rise)

ENGINE START

1. Beacon..... ON
2. Carb heat (black knob) OFF (pushed in)
3. Mixture (red knob)..... FULL RICH (pushed in)
4. Throttle (silver knob)CRACKED (1/8 inch finger method)
5. PrimeCold engine – 3 SHOTS, Warm engine – 1 SHOT
6. Brakes..... HOLD
7. Prop..... SHOUT CLEAR PROP, WAIT, LOOK
8. Master Switch (double red rocker switch)..... ON
9. Right Hand.....ON THROTTLE, ready to pull it back
10. IgnitionSTART then BOTH
11. Oil Pressure CHECK (green arc within 30 seconds)
12. LightsAt night (navigation, taxiway) ON
13. Mixture.....LEAN 1" inch

BEFORE TAXI CHECK

1. Seat Belts and Harness..... ON
2. Flaps RAISE
3. Avionics/Radios..... ON and SET (122.8 CTAF and 128.125 AWOS)
4. ATIS/AWOS/CLEARANCE.....OBTAIN
5. Transponder..... ALT and SET SQUAWK (VFR - 1200)
6. Altimeter SET to current baro
7. Radio TEST (pull vol knob to check vol)
8. Taxi Light AS REQUIRED
9. Parking BrakeRELEASE

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 951MC, taxiing from the ramp to runway 23, Placerville*

TAXI CHECK

1. Brakes TEST (pilot and co-pilot)
2. Attitude Indicator TEST (level during turns)
3. Turn Coordinator TEST (indicates turns)
4. Heading Indicator TEST (indicates turns)

ENGINE RUNUP

1. Brakes SET and HOLD
2. Fuel Selector Valve BOTH
3. Trim TAKEOFF setting
4. Flight Controls FREE and CORRECT
5. Flight Instruments CHECK and SET (six pack)
6. Fuel Quantity CHECK
7. Primer IN & LOCKED
8. Mixture BEST POWER (lean at full throttle)
9. Throttle 1700 RPM
10. Magnetos TEST (Max 125 drop each, 50 diff)
11. Carb Heat TEST (RPM drop, no rise)
12. Vacuum Gauge GREEN ARC (4.5 – 5.5 in)
13. Ammeter 0 (slightly above OK)
14. Oil Pressure GREEN ARC
15. Oil Temperature GREEN ARC
16. Throttle CHECK CLOSED (engine still runs)
17. Throttle 1,000 RPM
18. Throttle Friction ADJUST (if too loose or tight)

BEFORE TAKEOFF CHECK

1. Flaps 0 (Normal, Short), 10 (Soft)
2. Mixture BEST POWER
3. Carb Heat OFF
4. Heading Indicator ALIGN TO COMPASS
5. Landing Light ON
6. Strobe ON
7. Radios and Navigation Equipment SET

- Transmitter Selector COMM 1
- Intercom Receiver Selector COMM 1 to Headphones
- Comm 1 Volume PULL and CHECK
- Comm 1 Active 122.8 (CTAF)
- Comm 1 Standby 127.4 (NorCal Approach)
- Comm 2 Active 122.1 (Rancho Radio)
- Comm 2 Standby ATIS\AWOS Destination
- Nav 1 Active 155.5 (HNW) and IDENTIFY MORSE
- Nav 1 Standby Next Navaid
- Nav 2 Active 155.5 (HNW) and IDENTIFY MORSE
- Nav 2 Standby Next Navaid
- OBS 1 Planned Radial, verify no flag
- OBS 2 Planned Radial, verify no flag
8. Passenger Seat Backs MOST UPRIGHT POSITION
 9. Seat and Seat Belts CHECK SECURE
 10. Doors and Windows CLOSED AND LOCKED

TAKEOFF BRIEFING

- Who is performing takeoff
- Type of takeoff (Normal, rolling, soft field, short field)
- Runway you are departing, length, ground roll, abort point
- Wind direction, intensity, crosswind component and crosswind control input required
- Takeoff procedure (flap setting, mixture, power, rotation speed)
- Vx (64), Vy (78) and Best Glide (65) airspeeds
- Departure instructions or plan, noise abatement procedures
- Procedure for engine loss during takeoff roll, 50 ft, 500 ft, above

I will be performing this normal takeoff. We will depart on runway 23, which is 3910 ft long, our ground roll will be 1270 ft long, I will abort the takeoff if not airborne by the highspeed taxiway. The wind is from 180 at 8 knots, which is a 6 knots crosswind component; I'll hold full left aileron at the start of the roll. Flaps will be at 0, mixture leaned for density altitude, full power, rotate at 55 knots and climbout at Vy 78 knots. After takeoff, we'll make 10 degree left turn for noise abatement, then a further left turn to heading 210 and up to 4500.

If we have any problems before rotation or with adequate runway remaining after liftoff, we will abort. Standard emergency procedures will be used in the event of engine failure without adequate runway remaining. Best glide is 65 KIAS. We won't even think about returning to this airport unless we are at 1,000 AGL. Any questions or comments?

BEFORE ENTERING RUNWAY

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, departing runway 23, <straight out, northwest, left downwind departure, closed traffic>, Placerville*

1. Heading.....BUG SET (on course)
2. Altitude.....CRUISING ALTITUDE (recall)
3. Transponder.....ALT and SQUAWK (check)
4. Time off.....RECORD (on nav log)
5. Brakes.....RELEASE

TAKEOFF

1. Aircraft.....ALIGNED WITH CENTERLINE
2. Timer.....START
3. Heading Indicator.....CHECK ALIGNMENT TO RUNWAY
4. Throttle.....FULL (four seconds)
5. RPM.....2300 (CHECK)
6. Oil Pressure/Temperature.....GREEN ARC
7. Rotate.....55 KIAS
8. Climb Vy.....78 KIAS
9. Flaps.....RETRACT (positive rate achieved)
10. Noise Abatement Procedure.....COMPLY
11. Heading.....ON COURSE

1,000 AGL

1. Climb.....70-90 KIAS
2. Power.....SET
3. Mixture.....SET (leaned above 3000 DA)
4. Engine Instruments.....CHECK
5. Landing Light.....OFF
6. Flight Plan.....OPEN
7. Flight Following.....OBTAIN

COMM: *Rancho Radio, Skyhawk 80168 listening on the Hangtown VOR*

COMM: *Skyhawk 80168, Activate my VFR flight plan to <destination>. Time off < >,*

COMM: *Norcal Approach, Skyhawk 80168, VFR request*

COMM: *NorCal Approach, Skyhawk 80168, Cessna 172/U, 5 miles SW HNW, VFR to <destination>*

CRUISE

1. Power.....SET (planned RPM)
2. Mixture.....LEAN (using tachometer, engine roughness)
3. Engine Instruments.....CHECK (green arcs)
4. Heading indicator.....ALIGN TO COMPASS

DESCENT

1. Mixture ENRICHEN (slowly)
2. Power 2200
3. ATIS/AWOS OBTAIN
4. Altimeter SET
5. Heading Indicator ALIGN TO COMPASS

APPROACH BRIEFING

- Type of Approach & Landing (Visual, Instrument, Short, Soft)
- Landing Runway, length, distance required
- Field Elevation
- Traffic Pattern Altitude
- Winds (left or right crosswind? tailwind on downwind or base?)
- Final Approach Speed
- Aiming Point
- Touchdown Point

I will be performing a normal landing at Placerville. We'll be landing runway 23, which is 3910 ft long, and we'll need approximately 1400 ft. The field elevation is 2585, the pattern altitude is 3385 (800 ft pattern). The winds are from 180 at 8 knots, right crosswind on downwind, tailwind on base, left crosswind on final. Final approach speed is 60 knots, aim point is first stripe after the numbers, touchdown spot is the second stripe.

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, 10 miles to the southwest, 4500, for landing, Placerville*

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, 5 miles to the southwest, 4000, for landing, Placerville*

BEFORE LANDING

1. Seat and Seatbacks MOST UPRIGHT POSITION
2. Seat belts and harness ON
3. Fuel Selector Valve BOTH
4. Mixture SET for destination density altitude
5. Autopilot OFF

6. Carburetor Heat ON
7. Power 2000 RPM
8. Airspeed 80-85 KIAS

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, entering 45 for left traffic, runway 23, Placerville*

DOWNWIND - ABEAM TOUCHDOWN POINT

1. Power 1500 RPM
2. Flaps EXTEND 10
3. Airspeed 75 KIAS

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, left downwind, runway 23, Placerville*

BASE

1. Flaps EXTEND 20
2. Airspeed 70 KIAS

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, left base, runway 23, Placerville*

FINAL

1. Flaps EXTEND 30 (landing assured)
2. Pitch 60 KIAS (trimmed)

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, final, runway 23, Placerville*

GO AROUND

1. Power FULL
2. Flaps RAISE 20
3. Airspeed 55 KIAS
4. Positive Rate Climb ESTABLISH
5. Flaps RAISE SLOWLY

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, upwind for left traffic, runway 23, Placerville*

AFTER LANDING

1. Flaps.....RETRACT
2. Carb HeatOFF
3. Trim.....TAKEOFF
4. Strobes.....OFF
5. Landing Light.....OFF
6. Taxi Light.....AS REQUIRED
7. Pitot Heat.....OFF

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Placerville Traffic, Skyhawk 80168, clear of runway
23, taxiing to ramp, Placerville*

SECURING AIRPLANE (SHUTDOWN)

1. Throttle 1000 RPM
2. Interior and Exterior Lights.....OFF
3. Radios/AvionicsOFF
4. Magnetos.....CHECK LEFT and RIGHT for broken P-lead
5. Mixture IDLE CUTOFF
6. Ignition.....OFF
7. Master Switch.....OFF
8. Fuel Selector Valve LEFT or RIGHT
9. Hobbs and Tach Time RECORD
10. Control Wheel Lock INSTALL
11. Chocks..... INSTALL
12. Tie DownsHOOK UP
13. Pitot Cover INSTALL
14. Doors CLOSED and LOCKED
15. Flight Plan CLOSE

ENGINE FAILURE DURING TAKEOFF ROLL

1. Throttle IDLE
2. Brakes APPLY
3. Wing Flaps RETRACT
4. Mixture IDLE CUT-OFF
5. Ignition Switch OFF
6. Master Switch OFF

ENGINE FAILURE IMMEDIATELY AFTER TAKEOFF

1. Airspeed 65 KIAS (Flaps up) 60 KIAS (Flaps down)
2. Mixture IDLE CUT-OFF
3. Fuel Selector Valve OFF
4. Ignition Switch OFF
5. Wing Flaps AS REQUIRED
6. Master Switch OFF
7. Cabin Door UNLATCH PRIOR TO TOUCHDOWN
8. Land STRAIGHT AHEAD

ENGINE FAILURE IN FLIGHT

1. Airspeed 65 KIAS
2. Carburetor Heat ON
3. Fuel Selector Valve BOTH
4. Mixture RICH
5. Ignition Switch LEFT, RIGHT, BOTH, START (if prop stopped)
6. Primer IN and LOCKED

EMERGENCY LANDING WITHOUT ENGINE POWER

1. Airspeed 65 KIAS (flaps up) 60 KIAS (flaps down)
2. Mixture IDLE CUT-OFF
3. Fuel Selector Valve OFF
4. Ignition Switch OFF
5. Wing Flaps AS REQUIRED (40 recommended)
6. Master Switch OFF
7. Doors UNLATCH PRIOR TO TOUCHDOWN
8. Touchdown SLIGHTLY TAIL LOW
9. Brakes APPLY HEAVILY

ENGINE FIRE DURING START ON GROUND

1. Cranking CONTINUE
If engine starts:
2. Throttle 1700 RPM
3. Engine SHUTDOWN and inspect for damage
If engine fails to start:
4. Throttle FULL OPEN
5. Mixture IDLE CUT-OFF
6. Cranking CONTINUE for two minutes
7. Fire Extinguisher OBTAIN
8. Master Switch OFF
9. Ignition Switch OFF
10. Fuel Selector Valve OFF
11. Aircraft EVACUATE
12. Fire EXTINGUISH
13. Fire Damage INSPECT

ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT

1. Mixture IDLE CUT-OFF
2. Fuel Selector Valve OFF
3. Master Switch OFF
4. Cabin Heat and Air OFF (except overhead vents)
5. Airspeed 100 KIAS
6. Forced Landing EXECUTE

ELECTRICAL FIRE IN FLIGHT

1. Master Switch OFF
2. All other switches (except ignition) OFF
3. Vents/Cabin Air/Heat CLOSED
4. Fire Extinguisher ACTIVATE
If fire is out, and electrical power is necessary for flight:
5. Master Switch ON
6. Circuit Breakers CHECK (do not reset)
7. Radio/Electrical Equipment ON (one at a time, until short is ID'd)
8. Vents/Cabin Air/Heat OPEN
9. Land AS SOON AS PRACTICAL

BEFORE MANEUVER CHECK (HASEL)

1. Height3000 AGL OR BETTER
2. Area CLEAR OF TERRAIN, FORCED LANDING SITE ID'D
3. Security SEAT BELTS, ITEMS SECURE, FLAPS UP
4. Engine FLOW (Fuel selector, mixture, carb heat, gauges)
5. Lookout.....CLEARING TRUNS (two 90 degree turns)

STEEP TURNS

1. HASELPERFORM
2. Throttle 2100 RPM
3. Airspeed 89 KIAS (trimmed)
4. Heading NOTE and BUG
5. Wing CLEAR
6. Turn ROLL into 45° bank
7. Altitude and Airspeed MAINTAIN (back pressure, +100 RPM)
8. Rollout 23 degrees prior to entry heading
9. Altitude REDUCE back pressure
10. Throttle 2100 RPM

SLOW FLIGHT

1. HASELPERFORM
2. Throttle 1500 RPM
3. Carb Heat ON
4. Altitude Maintain
5. Flaps INCREMENTALLY to FULL
6. Airspeed 40 KIAS (horn on)
7. Throttle AS REQUIRED to maintain altitude
- Recovery*
8. Throttle FULL OPEN
9. Carb Heat OFF
10. Flaps RAISE to 20°
11. Airspeed 64 KIAS (Vx)
12. Flaps RAISE INCREMENTALLY
13. Altitude MAINTAIN

POWER-OFF STALL

1. HASEL PERFORM
2. Throttle 1500 RPM
3. Carb Heat ON
4. Altitude Maintain
5. Flaps INCREMENTALLY to FULL
6. Airspeed 60 KIAS
7. Throttle SLOWLY to IDLE
8. Descend 60 KIAS (trimmed)
9. Pitch SLOWLY to LANDING ATTITUDE
10. Back Pressure HOLD to maintain landing attitude
11. At Stall Recognition .. REDUCE ANGLE OF ATTACK, ADD FULL POWER
12. Carb Heat OFF
13. Wings LEVEL using rudder (aileron if turning)
14. Flaps RAISE to 20°
15. Airspeed 64 KIAS (Vx)
16. Flaps RAISE INCREMENTALLY
17. Altitude RECOVER lost altitude

POWER-ON STALL

1. HASEL PERFORM
2. Throttle 1500 RPM
3. Carb Heat ON
4. Altitude Maintain
5. Airspeed 64 KIAS
6. Throttle FULL OPEN
7. Carb Heat OFF
8. Pitch SLOWLY INCREASE (approx. 15° nose up)
9. At Stall Recognition REDUCE ANGLE OF ATTACK to horizon
10. Airspeed 78 KIAS (Vy)
11. Altitude RECOVER lost altitude
12. Throttle AS REQUIRED