

# **PERFORMANCE - SPECIFICATIONS**

	150 Aerobat *
GROSS WEIGHT	1600 lbs
Top Speed at Sea Level	120 mph 115 mph
Cruise, 75% Power at 7000 ft	470 mi 4.1 hrs 115 mph
Cruise, 75% Power at 7000 ft	715 mi 6.2 hrs 115 mph
Optimum Range at 10, 000 ft	555 mi 6.1 hrs 91 mph
Optimum Range at 10,000 ft	855 mi 9.4 hrs 91 mph
RATE OF CLIMB AT SEA LEVEL	670 fpm 12, 650 ft
Ground Run	735 ft 1385 ft
Ground Roll	445 ft 1075 ft
Flaps Up, Power Off	55 mph 48 mph 120 lbs 16.0
Standard Tanks . Optional Long Range Tanks . OIL CAPACITY: Total . PROPELLER: Fixed Pitch (Diameter) . ENGINE: Continental Engine . ENGINE: Continental Engine .	26 gal. 38 gal. 6 qts. 69 inches O-200-A
EMP TY WEIGHT: (Approximate) A150L   USEFUL LOAD: (Approximate) 570 lbs   WING LOADING: Pounds/Sq Foot 10.2	FA150L 1045 lbs 555 lbs 10.0

This manual covers operation of the 150 Aerobat which is certificated as Model A150L under FAA Type Certificate No. 3A19. The manual also covers operation of the Model Reims/Cessna F150 Aerobat which is certificated as Model FA150L under French Type Certification.

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# Section I

#### OPERATING CHECK LIST

One of the first steps in obtaining the utmost performance, service, and flying enjoyment from your Cessna is to familiarize yourself with your airplane's equipment, systems, and controls. This can best be done by reviewing this equipment while sitting in the airplane. Those items whose function and operation are not obvious are covered in Section II.

Section I lists, in Pilot's Check List form, the steps necessary to operate your airplane efficiently and safely. It is not a check list in its true form as it is considerably longer, but it does cover briefly all of the points that you should know for a typical flight.

The flight and operational characteristics of your airplane are normal in all respects. There are no unconventional characteristics or operations that need to be mastered. All controls respond in the normal way within the entire range of operation. All airspeeds mentioned in Sections I, II, III, and IV are indicated airspeeds. Corresponding calibrated airspeeds may be obtained from the Airspeed Correction Table in Section VII.

## **BEFORE ENTERING THE AIRPLANE.**

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(1) Make an exterior inspection in accordance with figure 1-1.

## EXTERIOR INSPECTION

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#### NOTE

Visually check aircraft for general condition during walk-around inspection. In cold weather, remove even small accumulations of frost, ice or snow from wing, tail and control surfaces. Also make sure that control surfaces contain no internal accumulations of ice or debris. If night flight is planned, check operation of all lights, and make sure a flashlight is available.

Remove control wheel lock.

Check ignition switch "OFF."

- c. Turn on master switch and check fuel quantity indicators, then turn master switch "OFF."
- d. Check fuel valve handle "ON."
- e. Check door release pins prior to aerobatic flight.
- f. Inspect seat belts and shoulder harnesses for condition.
- g. Remove seat insert cushions as necessary and securely stow prior to aerobatic flight.

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- 2) a. Remove rudder gust lock, if installed.
  - b. Disconnect tail tie-down.
  - c. Check control surfaces for freedom of movement and security
- (3) a. Check aileron for freedom of movement and security.
- (4) a. Disconnect wing tie-down.
  - b. Check main wheel tire for proper inflation.
  - c. Visually check fuel quantity, then check fuel filler cap secure.
- 5) a. Check oil level. Do not operate with less than four quarts. Fill to six quarts for extended flight.
  - b. Before first flight of day and after each refueling, pull out strainer drain knob for about four seconds to clear fuel strainer of possible water and sediment. Check strainer drain closed. If water is observed, there is a possibility that the wing tank sumps contain water. Thus, the wing tank sump drain plugs and fuel line drain plug should be removed to check for presence of water.
  - c. Check propeller and spinner for nicks and security.
  - d. Check landing light for condition and cleanliness.
  - e. Check carburetor air filter for restrictions by dust or other foreign matter.
  - f. Check nose wheel strut and tire for proper inflation.
  - g. Disconnect nose tie-down.
  - h. Inspect flight instrument static source opening on left side of fuselage for stoppage.
- 6 a. Remove pitot tube cover, if installed and check pitot tube opening for stoppage.
  - b. Check fuel tank vent opening for stoppage.
    - Check stall warning vent opening for stoppage.
  - ) a. Check aileron for freedom of movement and security.
- 8) a. Disconnect wing tie-down.
  - b. Check main wheel tire for proper inflation.
  - c. Visually check fuel quantity, then check fuel filler cap secure.

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## **BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE.**

- (1) Seats, Seat Belts and Shoulder Harnesses -- Adjust and lock.
- (2) Fuel Shutoff Valve Handle -- "ON."
- (3) Brakes -- Test and set.
- (4) Radios and Electrical Equipment -- "OFF."

## STARTING THE ENGINE.

- (1) Carburetor Heat -- Cold.
- (2) Mixture -- Rich.
- (3) Primer -- As required.
- (4) Throttle -- Open 1/4 inch.
- (5) Master Switch -- "ON."
- (6) Propeller Area -- Clear.
- (7) Ignition Switch -- "START" (release when engine starts).
- (8) Oil Pressure -- Check.

## **BEFORE TAKE-OFF.**

- (1) Cabin Doors -- Latched.
- (2) Flight Controls -- Check for free and correct movement.
- (3) Trim Tab -- "TAKE-OFF" setting.
- (4) Throttle Setting -- 1700 RPM.
- (5) Engine Instruments -- Within green arc.
- (6) Suction Gage -- Check (4.6 to 5.4 inches of mercury).

(7) Magnetos -- Check (75 RPM maximum differential between magnetos).

- (8) Carburetor Heat -- Check operation.
- (9) Flight Instruments, Optional Accelerometer and Radios -- Set.
- (10) Optional Wing Leveler -- "OFF."

## TAKE-OFF.

#### NORMAL TAKE-OFF.

- (1) Wing Flaps -- Up.
- (2) Carburetor Heat -- Cold.

- (3) Throttle -- Full "OPEN."
- (4) Elevator Control -- Lift nose wheel at 55 MPH.
- (5) Climb Speed -- 70 to 80 MPH.

#### MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE TAKE-OFF.

- (1) Wing Flaps -- Up.
- (2) Carburetor Heat -- Cold.
- (3) Brakes -- Hold.
- (4) Throttle -- Full "OPEN."
- (5) Brakes -- Release.
- (6) Elevator Control -- Slightly tail low.
- (7) Climb Speed -- 70 MPH (with obstacles ahead).

## CLIMB.

(1) Airspeed -- 75 to 85 MPH.

#### NOTE

If a maximum performance climb is necessary, use speeds shown in the Maximum Rate-Of-Climb Data chart in Section VII.

- (2) Throttle -- Full 'OPEN."
- (3) Mixture -- Rich (unless engine is rough).

## CRUISING.

- (1) Power -- 2000 to 2750 RPM.
- (2) Elevator Trim -- Adjust.
- (3) Mixture -- Lean to maximum RPM.

## **BEFORE LANDING.**

- (1) Mixture -- Rich.
- (2) Carburetor Heat -- Apply full heat before closing throttle.
- (3) Airspeed -- 70 to 80 MPH (flaps up).

- (4) Wing Flaps -- As desired below 100 MPH.
- (5) Airspeed -- 60 to 70 MPH (flaps extended).

## BALKED LANDING (GO-AROUND).

- (1) Throttle -- Full "OPEN."
- (2) Carburetor Heat -- Cold.
- (3) Wing Flaps -- Retract to 20°.

(4) Upon reaching an airspeed of approximately 65 MPH, retract flaps slowly.

## NORMAL LANDING.

- (1) Touchdown -- Main wheels first.
- (2) Landing Roll -- Lower nose wheel gently.
- (3) Braking -- Minimum required.

## AFTER LANDING.

- (1) Wing Flaps -- Up.
- (2) Carburetor Heat -- Cold.

## SECURING THE AIRCRAFT.

- (1) Parking Brake -- Set.
- (2) Radios and Electrical Equipment -- "OFF."
- (3) Mixture -- Idle cut-off (pulled full out).
- (4) Ignition and Master Switch -- "OFF."
- (5) Control lock -- Installed.





Figure 2-1.

# Section II

#### DESCRIPTION AND OPERATING DETAILS

The following paragraphs describe the systems and equipment whose function and operation is not obvious when sitting in the airplane. This section also covers in somewhat greater detail some of the items listed in Check List form in Section I that require further explanation.

## THE 150 AEROBAT.

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The 150 Aerobat has been designed to meet federal requirements of airworthiness necessary for Acrobatic Category maneuvers.

The aircraft is equipped with specially designed seats for the pilot and co-pilot. These seats feature removable seat cushions to accommodate either chair or back type parachutes. The seat bottom and seat back cushions are secured by adhesive type fasteners to allow ease in removal and installation. The back cushion may be unfastened from its normal position and stowed simply by refastening the cushion over the back of the seat frame.

Federal Regulations require a positive method of emergency cabin egress for aircraft certified in the Acrobatic Category. The 150 Aerobat cabin doors incorporate a quick-release system that is actuated by pulling the emergency door release rings, located on the forward cabin doorpost bulkheads.

## FUEL SYSTEM.

Fuel is supplied to the engine from two tanks, one in each wing. From these tanks, fuel flows by gravity through a fuel shutoff valve and fuel strainer to the carburetor.



Figure 2-2.

## FUEL QUANTITY DATA (U.S. GALLONS)

TANKS	USABLE FUEL ALL FLIGHT CONDITIONS	UNUSABLE FUEL	TOTAL FUEL VOLUME
TWO, STANDARD WING (13 GAL. EACH)	22.5	3.5	26.0
TWO, LONG RANGE WING (19 GAL. EACH)	35.0	3.0	38.0

#### Figure 2-3.

Refer to figure 2-3 for fuel quantity data. For fuel system service information, refer to Lubrication and Servicing Procedures in Section VI.

#### FUEL STRAINER DRAIN KNOB.

Refer to fuel strainer servicing procedure, Section VI.

## ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Electrical energy is supplied by a 14-volt, direct-current system powered by an engine-driven alternator (see figure 2-4.) A 12-volt battery is located on the right, forward side of the firewall just inside the cowl access door. Power is supplied through a single bus bar; a master switch controls this power to all circuits, except the engine ignition system, optional clock and optional flight hour recorder (operative only when the engine is operating).

#### MASTER SWITCH.

The master switch is a split-rocker type switch labeled "MASTER," and is "ON" in the up position and "OFF" in the down position. The right half of the switch, labeled "BAT," controls all electrical power to the airplane. The left half, labeled "ALT," controls the alternator.

Normally, both sides of the master switch should be used simultaneously, however, the "BAT" side of the switch could be turned "ON"



Figure 2-4.

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separately to check equipment while on the ground. The "ALT" side of the switch, when placed in the "OFF" position, removes the alternator from the electrical system. With this switch in the "OFF" position, the entire electrical load is placed on the battery, and all non-essential electrical equipment should be turned off for the remainder of the flight.

#### AMMETER.

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The ammeter indicates the flow of current, in amperes, from the alternator to the battery or from the battery to the aircraft electrical system. When the engine is operating and the master switch is "ON," the ammeter indicates the charging rate applied to the battery. In the event the alternator is not functioning or the electrical load exceeds the output of the alternator, the ammeter indicates the discharge rate of the battery.

#### FUSES AND CIRCUIT BREAKERS.

Fuses on the left lower portion of the instrument panel protect the majority of electrical circuits in the airplane. Labeling below each fuse retainer indicates the circuits protected by the fuses. Fuse capacity is shown on each fuse retainer cap. Fuses are removed by pressing the fuse retainers inward and rotating them counterclockwise until they disengage. The faulty fuse may then be lifted out and replaced. Spare fuses are held in a clip on the inside of the map compartment door.

#### NOTE

A special "SLO-BLO" fuse protects the wing flaps circuit. If this fuse is replaced, care should be taken to assure that the replacement fuse is of the proper type and capacity. A "SLO-BLO" fuse is identified by an integrally mounted spring encircling the fuse element.

Two additional fuses are located adjacent to the battery; one fuse protects the battery contactor closing circuit, and the other fuse protects the optional clock and optional flight hour recorder circuits.

The airplane utilizes three circuit breakers for circuit protection. A "push-to-reset" circuit breaker (labeled "ALT") is located on the left side of the instrument panel near the fuses and protects the alternator circuit. The alternator field and wiring is protected by an automatically resetting circuit breaker mounted behind the left side of the instrument panel. The cigar lighter has a manually reset type circuit breaker mounted directly on the back of the lighter behind the instrument panel. When more than one radio is installed, the radio transmitter relay (which is a part of the radio installation) is protected by the "NAV-DOME" fuse on the left switch and control panel. If a malfunction in the navigation lights system causes the fuse to open, de-activating the lights and transmitter relay, turn off the navigation light switch and replace the "NAV-DOME" fuse. This will re-activate the transmitter relay and permit continued use of the radio transmitters. Do not turn the switch on again until the malfunction is corrected.

## LIGHTING EQUIPMENT.

#### EXTERIOR LIGHTING.

Conventional navigation lights are located on the wing tips and top of the rudder. Optional lighting includes a single landing light in the cowl nose cap, a flashing beacon on the top of the vertical fin, and a strobe light on each wing tip. All exterior lights are controlled by rocker type switches on the left switch and control panel. The switches are "ON" in the up position and "OFF" in the down position.

The flashing beacon should not be used when flying through clouds or overcast; the flashing light reflected from water droplets or particles in the atmosphere, particularly at night, can produce vertigo and loss of orientation.

The two high intensity strobe lights will enhance anti-collision protection. However, the lights should be turned off when taxiing in the vicinity of other aircraft, or during flight through clouds, fog or haze.

#### INTERIOR LIGHTING.

Illumination of the instrument panel is provided by red flood lighting in the forward portion of the overhead console. The magnetic compass is illuminated by integral lighting. A dimming rheostat on the left switch and control panel operates these lights. A second rheostat on the panel controls optional radio lighting. Lighting intensity is decreased as the rheostats are turned counterclockwise.

An optional map light may be mounted on the bottom of the pilot's control wheel. The light illuminates the lower portion of the cabin just forward of the pilot and is helpful when checking maps and other flight data during night operations. To operate the light, first turn on the "NAV LT" switch, then adjust the map light's intensity with the knurled rheostat disc located at the bottom of the control wheel.

A cabin dome light in the overhead console is controlled by a rockertype switch on the left switch and control panel. The switch is "ON" in the up position and "OFF" in the down position.

## WING FLAP SYSTEM.

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The wing flaps are electrically operated by a flap motor located in the right wing. Flap position is controlled by a switch, labeled "WING FLAPS," on the lower center of the instrument panel. Flap position is mechanically indicated by a pointer housed in the left front doorpost.

To extend the wing flaps, the wing flap switch must be depressed and held in the "DOWN" position until the desired degree of extension is reached by pilot reference to the flap position indicator. After the desired flap extension is obtained, releasing the switch allows it tc return to the center off position. When flap retraction is necessary, place the switch in the "UP" position. The switch will remain in the "UP" position without manual assistance due to an over center design within the switch.

With the flaps extended in flight, placing the flap switch in the "UP" position will retract the flaps in approximately 6 seconds. Gradual flap retraction can be accomplished by intermittent operation of the flap switch to the "UP" position. Normal full flap extension in flight will require approximately 9 seconds. After the flaps reach maximum extension or retraction, limit switches will automatically shut off the flap motor, however when the flaps have reached the fully retracted position, the wing flap switch should be manually returned to the center off position.

## CABIN HEATING AND VENTILATING SYSTEM.

The temperature and volume of airflow into the cabin can be regulated to any degree desired by manipulation of the push-pull "CABIN HEAT" and "CABIN AIR" knobs.

Heated fresh air and outside air are blended in a cabin manifold just aft of the firewall by adjustment of the heat and air controls; this air is then vented into the cabin from outlets in the cabin manifold near the pilot's and passenger's feet. Windshield defrost air is also supplied by a duct leading from the manifold. A separate adjustable ventilator near each upper corner of the windshield supplies additional outside air to the pilot and passenger.

## PARKING BRAKE SYSTEM.

To set parking brake, pull out on the parking brake knob, apply and release toe pressure to the pedals, and then release the parking brake knob. To release the parking brake, apply and release toe pressure on the pedals while checking to see that the parking brake knob is full in.

## SHOULDER HARNESSES.

Shoulder harnesses are provided for the pilot and front seat passenger. Each harness is attached to the ceiling, aft of the rear door post. The harnesses are stowed in a vertical position by adjusting the length of the harness straps so that the loop on the end of each strap fits through an L-shaped bracket on the floor directly below the harness attach points; the straps are then tightened by means of the adjustment straps.

To use the shoulder harness, position and adjust the straps so that the length is sufficient to allow the strap loops to be slipped over the slotted-plate half of the seat belt. Adjust the seat belt, if necessary, and insert the slotted plate into the buckle. Rotate the hooked-end of the buckle lock arm through the slotted plate and firmly press into the locking detent on the buckle. Adjust the shoulder harness by pulling downward on the two adjusting straps. Leave just enough slack to allow all controls to be reached.

To release and remove the harness, pull upward on the short narrow release straps and disconnect the harness from the seat belt by simply rotating the buckle lock arm upward and removing the harness loops.

## STARTING ENGINE.

Ordinarily the engine starts easily with one or two strokes of primer in warm temperatures to six strokes in cold weather, with the throttle open approximately 1/4 inch. In extremely cold temperatures, it may be necessary to continue priming while cranking.

Weak intermittent firing followed by puffs of black smoke from the exhaust stack indicate overpriming or flooding. Excess fuel can be cleared from the combustion chambers by the following procedure: Set

the mixture control in full lean position, throttle full open, and crank the engine through several revolutions with the starter. Repeat the starting procedure without any additional priming.

If the engine is underprimed (most likely in cold weather with a cold engine) it will not fire at all, and additional priming will be necessary. As soon as the cylinders begin to fire, open the throttle slightly to keep it running.

After starting, if the oil gage does not begin to show pressure within 30 seconds in the summertime and about twice that long in very cold weather, stop engine and investigate. Lack of oil pressure can cause serious engine damage. After starting, avoid the use of carburetor heat unless icing conditions prevail.

## TAXIING.

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When taxiing, it is important that speed and use of brakes be held to a minimum and that all controls be utilized (see taxiing diagram, figure 2-5) to maintain directional control and balance.

Taxiing over loose gravel or cinders should be done at low engine speed to avoid abrasion and stone damage to the propeller tips.

The nose wheel is designed to automatically center straight ahead when the nose strut is fully extended. In the event the nose strut is overinflated and the airplane is loaded to a rearward center of gravity position, it may be necessary to partially compress the strut to permit steering. This can be accomplished prior to taxiing by depressing the airplane nose (by hand) or during taxi by sharply applying brakes.

## **BEFORE TAKE-OFF.**

#### WARM-UP.

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Most of the warm-up will have been conducted during taxi, and additional warm-up before take-off should be restricted to the checks outlined in Section I. Since the engine is closely cowled for efficient in-flight cooling, precautions should be taken to avoid overheating on the ground.



Figure 2-5.

#### MAGNETO CHECK.

The magneto check should be made at 1700 RPM as follows: Move the ignition switch first to "R" position and note RPM. Then move switch back to "BOTH" position to clear the other set of plugs. Then move switch to "L" position, note RPM and return to "BOTH." The difference between the two magnetos operated individually should not be more than 75 RPM. If there is a doubt concerning the operation of the ignition system, RPM checks at higher engine speeds will usually confirm whether a deficiency exists.

An absence of RPM drop may be an indication of faulty grounding of one side of the ignition system or should be cause for suspicion that the magneto timing is set in advance of the setting specified.

#### ALTERNATOR CHECK.

Prior to flights where verification of proper alternator and voltage regulator operation is essential (such as night or instrument flights), a positive verification can be made by loading the electrical system momentarily (3 to 5 seconds) with the optional landing light, (if so equipped), or by operating the wing flaps during the engine runup (1700 RPM). The ammeter will remain within a needle width of zero if the alternator and voltage regulator are operating properly.

## TAKE-OFF.

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#### POWER CHECKS.

It is important to check full-throttle engine operation early in the takeoff run. Any signs of rough engine operation or sluggish engine acceleration is good cause for discontinuing the take-off. If this occurs, you are justified in making a thorough full-throttle, static runup before another take-off is attempted. The engine should run smoothly and turn approximately 2500 to 2600 RPM with carburetor heat off.

Full throttle runups over loose gravel are especially harmful to propeller tips. When take-offs must be made over a gravel surface, it is very important that the throttle be advanced slowly. This allows the airplane to start rolling before high RPM is developed, and the gravel will be blown back of the propeller rather than pulled into it. When unavoidable small dents appear in the propeller blades, they should be immediately corrected as described in Section VI. Prior to take-off from fields above 5000 feet elevation, the mixture should be leaned to give maximum RPM in a full-throttle, static runup.

#### FLAP SETTINGS.

Normal and obstacle clearance take-offs are performed with flaps up. The use of  $10^{\circ}$  flaps will shorten the ground run approximately 10%, but this advantage is lost in the climb to a 50-foot obstacle. Therefore the use of  $10^{\circ}$  flaps is reserved for minimum ground runs or for take-off from soft or rough fields with no obstacles ahead.

If  $10^{\circ}$  of flaps are used in ground runs, it is preferable to leave them extended rather than retract them in the climb to the obstacle. The exception to this rule would be in a high altitude take-off in hot weather where climb would be marginal with flaps  $10^{\circ}$ . Flap deflections of  $30^{\circ}$  and  $40^{\circ}$  are not recommended at any time for take-off.

#### PERFORMANCE CHARTS.

Consult the Take-Off Distance chart in Section VII for take-off distances at gross weight under various altitude and headwind conditions.

#### **CROSSWIND TAKE-OFFS.**

Take-offs into strong crosswinds normally are performed with the minimum flap setting necessary for the field length, to minimize the drift angle immediately after take-off. The airplane is accelerated to a speed slightly higher than normal, then pulled off abruptly to prevent possible settling back to the runway while drifting. When clear of the ground, make a coordinated turn into the wind to correct for drift.

## CLIMB.

#### CLIMB DATA.

For detailed data, see Maximum Rate-Of-Climb Data chart in Section VII.

#### CLIMB SPEEDS.

Normal climbs are conducted at 75 to 85 MPH with flaps up and full throttle, for best engine cooling. The mixture should be full rich unless

the engine is rough due to too rich a mixture. The best rate-of-climb speeds range from 76 MPH at sea level to 70 MPH at 10,000 feet. If an obstruction dictates the use of a steep climb angle, climb at an obstacle clearance speed of 70 MPH with flaps retracted.

#### NOTE

Steep climbs at low speeds should be of short duration to allow improved engine cooling.

### CRUISE.

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Normal cruising is done between 65% and 75% power. The power settings required to obtain these powers at various altitudes and outside air temperatures can be determined by using your Cessna Power Computer or the OPERATIONAL DATA, Section VII.

Cruising can be done most efficiently at high altitude because of lower air density and therefore higher true airspeeds for the same power. This is illustrated in the following table which shows performance at 75% power at various altitudes.

## MAXIMUM CRUISE SPEED PERFORMANCE 75% POWER

ALTITUDE	RPM	TRUE AIRSPEED
Sea Level	2525	108
5000 Feet	2650	113
7000 Feet	Full Throttle	115

To achieve the lean mixture fuel consumption figures shown in Section VII, the mixture should be leaned as follows: pull the mixture control out until engine RPM peaks and begins to fall off, then enrichen slightly back to peak RPM.

Carburetor ice, as evidenced by an unexplained drop in RPM, can be removed by application of full carburetor heat. Upon regaining the original RPM (with heat off), use the minimum amount of heat (by trial and error) to prevent ice from forming. Since the heated air causes a richer mixture, readjust the mixture setting when carburetor heat is to be used continuously in cruise flight. The use of full carburetor heat is recommended during flight in very heavy rain to avoid the possibility of engine stoppage due to excessive water ingestion. The mixture should be readjusted for smoothest operation.

## STALLS.

The stall characteristics are conventional for the flaps up and flaps down condition. Slight elevator buffeting may occur just before the stall with flaps down.

Stall speeds are shown in Section VII for aft c.g., full gross weight conditions. They are presented as calibrated airspeeds because indicated airspeeds are unreliable near the stall. The stall warning horn produces a steady signal 5 to 10 MPH before the actual stall is reached and remains on until the airplane flight attitude is changed.

## LANDING.

Normal landing approaches can be made with power-on or power-off at speeds of 70 to 80 MPH with flaps up, and 60 to 70 MPH with flaps down. Surface winds and air turbulence are usually the primary factors in determining the most comfortable approach speeds.

Actual touchdown should be power-off and on the main wheels first. The nose wheel should be lowered smoothly to the runway as speed is diminished.

#### SHORT FIELD LANDINGS.

For a maximum performance short field landing in smooth air conditions, make an approach at 60 MPH with 40° flaps using enough power to control the glide path. After all approach obstacles are cleared, progressively reduce power and maintain 60 MPH by lowering the nose of the airplane. Touchdown should be made with power-off and on the main wheels first. Immediately after touchdown, lower the nose wheel and apply heavy braking as required. For maximum brake effectiveness, retract the flaps, hold full nose-up elevator, and apply maximum brake pressure without sliding the tires.

Slightly higher approach speeds should be used under turbulent air conditions.

#### CROSSWIND LANDINGS.

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When landing in a strong crosswind, use the minimum flap setting required for the field length. Use a wing low, crab, or a combination method of drift correction and land in a nearly level attitude.

Excessive nose strut inflation can hinder nose wheel alignment with the airplane ground track in a drifting crosswind landing at touchdown and during ground roll. This can be counteracted by firmly lowering the nose wheel to the ground after initial contact. This action partially compresses the nose strut, permitting nose wheel swiveling and positive ground steering.

#### BALKED LANDING (GO-AROUND).

In a balked landing (go-around) climb, the wing flap setting should be reduced to  $20^{\circ}$  immediately after full power is applied. Upon reaching a safe airspeed, the flaps should be slowly retracted to the full up position.

In critical situations where undivided attention to the airplane is required, the  $20^{\circ}$  flap setting can be approximated by holding the flap switch for approximately two seconds. This technique will allow the pilot to obtain the  $20^{\circ}$  setting without having to divert his attention to the flap position indicator.

## COLD WEATHER OPERATION.

Prior to starting on cold mornings, it is advisable to pull the propeller through several times by hand to "break loose" or "limber" the oil thus conserving battery energy.

#### NOTE

When pulling the propeller through by hand, treat it as if the ignition switch is turned on. A loose or broken ground wire on either magneto could cause the engine to fire.

In extremely cold ( $0^{\circ}$ F and lower) weather the use of an external preheater is recommended whenever possible to reduce wear and abuse to the engine and electrical system. Cold weather starting procedures are as follows:

#### With Preheat:

(1) With ignition switch "OFF" and throttle closed, prime the engine four to ten strokes as the propeller is being turned over by hand.

#### NOTE

Use heavy strokes of primer for best atomization of fuel. After priming, push primer all the way in and turn to locked position to avoid possibility of engine drawing fuel through the primer.

- (2) Propeller Area -- Clear.
- (3) Master Switch -- "ON."
- (4) Mixture -- Full rich.
- (5) Throttle -- Open 1/4 inch.
- (6) Ignition Switch -- "START."
- (7) Release ignition switch to "BOTH" when engine starts.
- (8) Oil Pressure -- Check.

#### Without Preheat:

(1) Prime the engine eight to ten strokes while the propeller is being turned by hand with throttle closed. Leave primer charged and ready for stroke.

- (2) Propeller Area -- Clear.
- (3) Master Switch -- "ON."
- (4) Mixture -- Full rich.
- (5) Ignition Switch -- "START."

(6) Pump throttle rapidly to full open twice. Return to 1/4 inch open position.

(7) Release ignition switch to "BOTH" when engine starts.

(8) Continue to prime engine until it is running smoothly, or alternately, pump throttle rapidly over first 1/4 of total travel.

- (9) Oil Pressure -- Check.
- (10) Pull carburetor heat knob full on after engine has started.
- Leave on until engine is running smoothly.
- (11) Lock primer.

#### NOTE

If the engine does not start during the first few attempts, or if the engine firing diminishes in strength, it is probable that the spark plugs have been frosted over. Preheat must be used before another start is attempted.

#### IMPORTANT

Pumping the throttle may cause raw fuel to accumulate in the intake air duct, creating a fire hazard in the event of a backfire. If this occurs, maintain a cranking action to suck flames into the engine. An outside attendant with a fire extinguisher is advised for cold starts without preheat.

During cold weather operations, no indication will be apparent on the oil temperature gage prior to take-off if outside air temperatures are very cold. After a suitable warm-up period (2 to 5 minutes at 1000 RPM), accelerate the engine several times to higher engine RPM. If the engine accelerates smoothly and the oil pressure remains normal and steady, the airplane is ready for take-off.

When operating in sub-zero temperature, avoid using partial carburetor heat. Partial heat may increase the carburetor air temperature to the  $32^{\circ}$  to  $70^{\circ}$  range, where icing is critical under certain atmospheric conditions.

Refer to Section VIII for cold weather equipment.

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# Section III

### AEROBATIC MANEUVERS

## **AEROBATIC CONSIDERATIONS.**

The 150 Aerobat is certificated in the Acrobatic Category for the maneuvers listed in this section. All of these maneuvers and their various combinations can be performed well within the +6.0 to -3.0 g flight maneuvering envelope approved for the airplane. However, before attempting any of the approved aerobatics, each of the following items should be considered to assure that the flights will be safe and enjoyable.

#### **DUAL INSTRUCTION.**

No aerobatic maneuvers should be attempted without first having received dual instruction from a qualified aerobatic instructor.

#### PHYSICAL CONDITION.

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The pilot should be in good physical condition and mentally alert. Initial indoctrination flights should be limited to a maximum of 30 to 45 minutes so that the pilot can become gradually conditioned to the unusual flight attitudes that are typical of this type of flying.

#### LOOSE EQUIPMENT AND BAGGAGE.

The cabin should be clean and all loose equipment (including the microphone) should be stowed. For solo aerobatic flight, the co-pilot's seat belt and shoulder harness should be secured. Aerobatic maneuvers with baggage loadings or occupied child's seat are not approved.

#### SEAT BELTS AND SHOULDER HARNESSES.

The seat belts and shoulder harnesses should be adjusted to provide proper restraint during all anticipated flight conditions. However, care should be taken to ensure that the pilot can easily reach the flight controls and produce maximum control travels.

#### PARACHUTES.

Parachutes must be worn during aerobatic flight. The parachutes must be inspected to determine that they are in good condition and are within the packing dates required by government regulations.

If a back parachute is used, the seat backs can be unfastened and temporarily stowed by attaching them to the aft surfaces of the individual seat backs. If a seat pack is used, the bottom cushion should be removed from the airplane. This is done by simply pulling the cushion away from the adhesive material on the seat pan.

#### FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATIONS.

The pilot should be familiar with government regulations pertaining to aerobatic flight. In the United States, 1500 feet above the surface is the minimum legal altitude for conducting aerobatic maneuvers. However, higher altitudes are recommended until the pilot is thoroughly familiar with the airplane and its capabilities. The selection of aerobatic practice areas should be in accordance with government regulations and in some cases, after consulting local aviation authorities.

#### EMERGENCY BAIL-OUT PROCEDURES.

The cabin door jettisoning mechanism should be actuated on the ground to demonstrate to each group of students the sequence of operation and the physical results of this action. An outside attendant should be standing by to catch the door when it is released from inside the cabin.

The pilot should be thoroughly familiar with the emergency bail-out procedures listed in Section IV of this manual.

## APPROVED MANEUVERS.

The same training maneuvers approved for the standard Model 150 are also approved for the 150 Aerobat. These include spins, chandelles, lazy eights, steep turns (over 60° bank), and stalls. Additional aerobatic maneuvers authorized for the 150 Aerobat are loops, barrel rolls, aileron rolls, snap rolls, Cuban 8's, Immelmanns, and vertical reversements.

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Recommended procedures and techniques for performing the more advanced maneuvers are on the following pages.



Figure 3-1.

SPIN.

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The spin is a prolonged stall that results in a rapid nose-down rotation about the airplane longitudinal axis. The rotation is the result of a sustained yaw that causes the slower moving wing to almost completely stall, while the outer wing retains a portion of its lift. In essence, the rotation is a result of the relatively unstalled outer wing "chasing" the stalled inner wing. Spins should be practiced at altitudes of 3000 feet or more above the surface. The normal entry is made from a power-off stall. As the stall is approached, the elevator control should be smoothly pulled to the full aft position. Just prior to reaching the stall "break," rudder control in the desired direction of the spin rotation should be applied so that full rudder deflection is reached almost simultaneously with reaching full aft elevator. Care should be taken to avoid using aileron control since its application can increase the rotation and cause erratic rotation. Both elevator and rudder controls should be held full with the spin until the spin recovery is initiated. An inadvertent relaxation of either of these controls could result in the development of a nose-down spiral.

The normal spin recovery technique is as follows:

(1) Apply full opposite rudder against the direction of rotation.

(2) After one-fourth turn move the elevator control forward of neutral in a brisk motion.

(3) As the rotation stops, neutralize rudder, and make a smooth recovery from the resulting dive. Power should not be reapplied until the airplane is near a level flight attitude.

Partial power may be used to provide more rapid and precise entries. However, once the spin rotation is established, the throttle must be retarded to the idle position.

#### NOTE

If a spin is entered inadvertently from an aerobatic maneuver, it is important to close the throttle promptly. The use of engine power in the spin will tend to flatten the spinning attitude and prolong the recovery.

During prolonged spins the engine may stop; however, spin recovery is not adversely affected by engine stoppage.




#### LOOP.

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The normal loop is basically a 360 degree turn executed in the vertical plane. The maneuver consists of a climb, inverted flight, dive, and recovery to straight and level flight conducted in a series. The entire loop should be conducted with a positive g level on the airplane and at maximum power (within 2750 RPM limits).

The loop is entered from a shallow dive at 130 MPH. A 2.5 to 3.0 g pullup is initiated and a continuous elevator back pressure maintained throughout the inverted position. A slight relaxation of back pressure may be necessary to prevent stall buffeting from occurring through the downward side of the loop and to maintain the symmetrical pattern of the maneuver. Observation of landmarks through the skylight windows will aid in keeping the pilot oriented throughout the inverted portion of the loop.

Interesting variations of the basic loop may be performed by (1) including a quarter roll in the recovery dive, and (2) describing a cloverleaf pattern through a series of four consecutive loops with quarter rolls.



Figure 3-3.

#### BARREL ROLL.

The barrel roll is a coordinated maneuver in which the airplane is rolled 360 degrees around the longitudinal axis of the airplane while maintaining a constant radius around a point on the horizon. Particular emphasis is made on actually "flying" the airplane around the reference point.

The barrel roll is entered by diving the airplane to a 130 MPH speed while simultaneously turning to an entry point approximately 45 degrees off of a selected reference heading. During the entry, a gradual pullup is initiated and as the nose passes through the horizon a coordinated turn begun. After 45 degrees of turn, the airplane should be positioned in a 90 degree bank and the nose at its highest point. The roll is continued at a constant rate to the inverted position with the nose pointing 90 degrees from the original direction of entry. The nearly constant roll rate is continued until reaching the original entry heading in straight and level flight. A continuous elevator back pressure is required to maintain a positive g level throughout the maneuver. The recovery should be completed at or below the 130 MPH entry speed.

#### AILERON ROLL.

The aileron roll is a coordinated maneuver in which the airplane is rolled 360 degrees around the longitudinal axis of the airplane. Unlike the barrel roll, the aileron roll is flown as a "tighter" maneuver and is accompanied by higher roll rates.

The maneuver is entered from a straight wings level dive at 130 MPH. Then the nose is pulled up 10 to 15 degrees above the horizon and a coordinated steep turn entry initiated. Aileron deflection is progressively increased until maximum deflection is obtained. Rudder and elevator should be coordinated throughout the maneuver to maintain the airplane nose position in the desired general direction. Full aileron deflection is held until a recovery to level flight is initiated. Recovery should be completed at or below the 130 MPH entry speed.



## Figure 3-4.



Figure 3-5.

#### SNAP ROLL.

The snap roll is an accelerated stall maneuver in which yaw from full rudder deflection produces a roll. This results in a "spin" in a horizontal direction.

The entry to the snap roll is accomplished from a slight climb at 90 MPH. At this speed the elevator control is abruptly pulled back to the full aft position while simultaneously applying full rudder in the desired direction of roll. The use of aileron in the direction of roll will prevent the nose from rising too high prior to the stall and will improve control through the roll. Recovery is accomplished by rapidly applying full rudder in the direction opposite to the roll followed by forward elevator control to break the stall. Timing of the recovery is highly dependent upon entry techniques. The use of aileron throughout the roll gives more latitude in timing the recovery control inputs which should be initiated after 2/3 to 3/4 of the roll is completed.

#### CUBAN EIGHT.

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The Cuban eight consists of approximately three-fourths of a normal loop and a diving half-roll followed in the opposite direction by another three-fourths of a loop and a half-roll.

The maneuver is entered from a dive at 145 MPH. During the entry, the throttle is gradually retarded to prevent engine overspeed. A 3.5 to 4.0 g pullup is initiated followed by a progressive throttle application to full power by the time a vertical position is reached. A positive g level should be pulled through the inverted portion of the maneuver to a point where the nose of the airplane is approximately 45 degrees below the horizon. At this point, the back pressure is slightly relaxed and a half aileron roll initiated.

A slight forward control pressure may be required on the last half of the roll to hold the nose on the desired heading and to help keep the airplane in a diving configuration. The dive is continued until the 145 MPH entry speed is again reached and the same procedure should be repeated in the opposite direction. The throttle should be retarded on the diving portion of the maneuvers in the same manner as was done on the initial entry. The maneuver may be completed by a dive recovery to level flight.



#### Figure 3-6.



Figure 3-7.

#### IMMELMANN.

The Immelmann is a combination half loop followed by a half roll. A positive g level should be maintained throughout the maneuver.

The Immelmann is entered from a dive at 145 MPH. During the entry, the throttle is gradually reduced to prevent engine overspeed. A 3.5 to 4.0 g pullup is initiated followed by a progressive throttle application to full power by the time a vertical position is reached. As the airplane nears the inverted position, a slight relaxation of elevator back pressure should be accomplished and full aileron control deflection rapidly made in the direction of the desired roll. A smoother maneuver can be achieved by initiating the half roll with the nose approximately 30° above the horizon as viewed through the overhead skylight. As the half roll is executed, the nose is allowed to move smoothly down to the horizon. A slight forward pressure on the control wheel and bottom rudder are used initially followed by a smooth application of full top rudder in the final portion of the half roll.

#### VERTICAL REVERSEMENT.

The vertical reversement is a half snap roll from a steep turn in one direction to a steep turn in the opposite direction.

Entry is accomplished from a 60 to 70-degree bank at 90 MPH. Full top rudder should be applied followed by an application of full aft elevator control. As the airplane snaps over the top, aileron control is added in the direction of roll. The control wheel should then be eased forward and appropriate rudder and aileron controls used to re-establish a steep turn in the opposite direction. On recovery, the airplane should smoothly resume a banked turn with no distinct break in the turning motion. This maneuver may be performed in a sequence by turning 180° between each vertical reversement.





## **AEROBATIC LIMITATIONS.**

#### INVERTED FLIGHT.

During training operations, momentary inverted flight may sometimes be encountered. Since it is conceivable that a slight amount of engine oil could be lost from the oil breather line, it is recommended that a minimum of 5 quarts of oil be carried as a matter of good operating practice (actual minimum allowable is 4 quarts). Continuous inverted flight maneuvers are not approved because the gravity fuel system and conventional carburetor will not permit continuous engine operation in this negative g condition. In addition, the loss of oil pressure (with a windmilling propeller) and a loss of a quart or more of oil through the breather could be harmful to the engine.

#### ENGINE SPEED LIMITATIONS.

The fixed-pitch propeller installation, combined with high entry speeds required for some maneuvers, can result in engine overspeeds at higher power settings. To prevent the possibility of excessive engine wear or damage, the throttle setting should be reduced to prevent the engine speeds from exceeding 2750 RPM.

A complete throttle reduction to the idle position at high speed will never be needed during the execution of the approved maneuvers. Poweroff dives can produce undesirable engine/propeller roughness characteristics at speeds above 150 MPH. This condition should be avoided as much as practicable.

## FLAP EXTENSION.

The use of flaps in the execution of approved aerobatic maneuvers is prohibited.

## EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Section IV

Emergencies caused by aircraft or engine malfunctions are extremely rare if proper pre-flight inspections and maintenance are practiced. Enroute weather emergencies can be minimized or eliminated by careful flight planning and good judgement when unexpected weather is encountered. However, should an emergency arise the basic guidelines described in this section should be considered and applied as necessary to correct the problem.

## ELECTRICAL POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM MALFUNCTIONS.

Malfunctions in the electrical power supply system can be detected by periodic monitoring of the ammeter; however, the cause of these malfunctions is usually difficult to determine. Broken or loose alternator wiring is most likely the cause of alternator failures, although other factors could cause the problem. A damaged or improperly adjusted voltage regulator can also cause malfunctions. All electrical problems of this nature constitute an electrical emergency and should be dealt with immediately. Electrical power malfunctions usually fall into two categories, excessive rate of charge and insufficient rate of charge. The paragraphs below describe the recommended remedy for each situation.

## EXCESSIVE RATE OF CHARGE.

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After periods of engine starting and heavy electrical usage at low engine speeds (such as extended taxiing) the battery condition will be low enough to accept above normal charging during the initial part of a flight. However, after thirty minutes of cruising flight, the ammeter should be indicating less than two needle widths of charging current. If the charging rate remains above this value on a long flight, it is possible that the battery will overheat and evaporate the electrolyte at an excessive rate. In addition, electronic components in the electrical system could be adversely affected by the higher than normal voltage if a faulty voltage regulator setting is causing the overcharging. To preclude these possibilities, the alternator side of the split master switch should be turned "OFF." The flight should be terminated and/or the current drain on the battery minimized as soon as practical because the battery can supply the electrical system for only a limited period of time. If it becomes apparent that the battery voltage is getting too low to operate the electrical system, the alternator switch can be turned back on for several minutes at a time until the battery is partially recharged. If the emergency occurs at night, the alternator switch should be returned to the "ON" position just before landing light and flaps will be required for landing.

#### INSUFFICIENT RATE OF CHARGE.

If the ammeter indicates a continuous discharge rate in flight, the alternator is not supplying power to the system and should be shut down since the alternator field circuit may be placing an unnecessary load on the system. All non-essential equipment should be turned "OFF" and the flight terminated as soon as practical.

## ROUGH ENGINE OPERATION OR LOSS OF POWER.

### SPARK PLUG FOULING.

A slight engine roughness in flight may be caused by one or more spark plugs becoming fouled by carbon or lead deposits. This may be verified by turning the ignition switch momentarily from "BOTH" to either "LEFT" or "RIGHT" position. An obvious power loss in single ignition operation is evidence of spark plug or magneto trouble. Assuming that spark plugs are the more likely cause, lean the mixture to the normal lean setting for cruising flight. If the problem does not clear up in several minutes, determine if a richer mixture setting will produce smoother operation. If not, proceed to the nearest airport for repairs using the "BOTH" position of the ignition switch unless extreme roughness dictates the use of a single ignition position.

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## MAGNETO MALFUNCTION.

A sudden engine roughness or misfiring is usually evidence of magneto problems. Switching from "BOTH" to either "LEFT" or "RIGHT"

ignition switch position will identify which magneto is malfunctioning. Select different power settings and enrichen the mixture to determine if continued operation on "BOTH" magnetos is practicable. If not, switch to the good magneto and proceed to the nearest airport for repairs.

#### LOW OIL PRESSURE.

If low oil pressure is accompanied by normal oil temperature, there is a possibility the oil pressure gage or relief valve is malfunctioning. A leak in the line to the gage is not necessarily cause for an immediate precautionary landing because an orifice in this line will prevent a sudden loss of oil from the engine sump. However, a landing at the nearest airport would be advisable to inspect the source of trouble.

If a total loss of oil pressure is accompanied by a rise in oil temperature, there is good reason to suspect an engine failure is imminent. Reduce engine power immediately and select a suitable forced landing field. Leave the engine running at low power during the approach, using only the minimum power required to reach the desired touchdown spot.

## FORCED LANDINGS.

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#### PRECAUTIONARY LANDING WITH ENGINE POWER.

Before attempting an "off airport" landing, one should drag the landing area at a safe but low altitude to inspect the terrain for obstructions and surface conditions, proceeding as follows:

(1) Drag over selected field with flaps  $20^{\circ}$  and 70 MPH airspeed, noting the preferred area for touchdown for the next landing approach. Then retract flaps upon reaching a safe altitude and airspeed.

(2) On downwind leg, turn off all switches except the ignition and master switches.

(3) Approach with flaps  $40^{\circ}$  at 65 MPH.

(4) Unlatch cabin doors prior to final approach.

- (5) Before touchdown, turn ignition and master switches "OFF."
- (6) Land in a slightly tail-low attitude.

### EMERGENCY LANDING WITHOUT ENGINE POWER.

If an engine stoppage occurs, establish a flaps up glide at 70 MPH. If time permits, attempt to restart the engine by checking for fuel quantity, proper fuel selector valve position, and mixture control setting. Also check that engine primer is full in and locked and ignition switch is properly positioned.

If all attempts to restart the engine fail, and a forced landing is imminent, select a suitable field and prepare for the landing as follows:

- (1) Pull mixture control to idle cut-off position.
- (2) Turn fuel shutoff valve to "OFF."
- (3) Turn all switches "OFF" except master switch.
- (4) Approach at 70 MPH.
- (5) Extend wing flaps as necessary within gliding distance of field.
- (6) Turn master switch "OFF."
- (7) Unlatch cabin doors prior to final approach.
- (8) Land in a slightly tail-low attitude.
- (9) Apply heavy braking.

#### DITCHING.

Prepare for ditching by securing or jettisoning heavy objects located in the baggage area, and collect folded coats or cushions for protection of occupant's face at touchdown. Transmit Mayday message on 121.5 MHz. giving location and intentions.

(1) Plan approach into wind if winds are high and seas are heavy. With heavy swells and light wind, land parallel to swells.

(2) Approach with flaps  $40^{\circ}$  and sufficient power for a 300 ft./min. rate of descent at 65 MPH.

(3) Unlatch the cabin doors.

(4) Maintain a continuous descent until touchdown in level attitude. Avoid a landing flare because of difficulty in judging airplane height over a water surface.

(5) Place folded coat or cushion in front of face at time of touchdown.

(6) Expect a second impact for the airplane may skip after touchdown.

(7) Evacuate airplane through cabin doors. If necessary, open window to flood cabin compartment for equalizing pressure so that door can be opened.

(8) Inflate life vests and raft (if available) after evacuation of cabin. The aircraft can not be depended on for floatation for more than a few minutes.

## **DISORIENTATION IN CLOUDS.**

When flying in marginal weather, the pilot should make sure that the Wing Leveler (if installed) control knob is "ON." However, if the aircraft is not equipped with this device or gyro horizon and directional gyro instruments, the pilot will have to rely on the turn coordinator (or turn and bank indicator) if he inadvertently flies into clouds. The following instructions assume that only one of the latter two instruments is available.

#### EXECUTING A 180° TURN IN CLOUDS.

Upon entering the clouds, an immediate plan should be made to turn back as follows:

(1) Note the time of the minute hand and observe the position of the sweep second hand on the clock.

(2) When the sweep second hand indicates the nearest half-minute, initiate a standard rate left turn, holding the turn coordinator symbolic airplane wing opposite the lower left index mark for 60 seconds. Then roll back to level flight by leveling the miniature airplane.

(3) Check accuracy of the turn by observing the compass heading which should be the reciprocal of the original heading.

(4) If necessary, adjust heading primarily with skidding motions rather than rolling motions so that the compass will read more accurately.

(5) Maintain altitude and airspeed by cautious application of elevator control. Avoid overcontrolling by keeping the hands off the control wheel and steering only with rudder.

## EMERGENCY LET-DOWNS THROUGH CLOUDS.

If possible, obtain radio clearance for an emergency descent through clouds. To guard against a spiral dive, choose an easterly or westerly heading to minimize compass card swings due to changing bank angles. In addition, keep hands off the control wheel and steer a straight course with rudder control by monitoring the turn coordinator. Occasionally check the compass heading and make minor corrections to hold an approximate course. Before descending into the clouds, set up a stabilized letdown condition as follows:

- (1) Apply full rich mixture.
- (2) Use full carburetor heat.
- (3) Reduce power to set up a 500 to 800 ft./min. rate of descent.
- (4) Adjust the elevator trim tab for a stabilized descent at 80 MPH.

(5) Keep hands off the control wheel.

(6) Monitor turn coordinator and make corrections by rudder alone.

(7) Check trend of compass card movement and make cautious corrections with rudder to stop the turn.

(8) Upon breaking out of clouds resume normal cruising flight.

#### RECOVERY FROM A SPIRAL DIVE.

If a spiral is encountered, proceed as follows:

(1) Close the throttle.

(2) Stop the turn by using coordinated aileron and rudder control to align the symbolic airplane in the turn coordinator with the horizon reference line.

(3) Cautiously apply elevator back pressure to slowly reduce the indicated airspeed to 80 MPH.

(4) Adjust the elevator trim control to maintain an 80 MPH glide.

(5) Keep hands off the control wheel, using rudder control to hold a straight heading.

(6) Apply carburetor heat.

(7) Clear engine occasionally, but avoid using enough power to disturb the trimmed glide.

(8) Upon breaking out of clouds, apply normal cruising power and resume flight.

## FIRES.

## ENGINE FIRE DURING START ON GROUND.

Improper starting procedures such as pumping the throttle during a difficult cold weather start can cause a backfire which could ignite fuel that has accumulated in the intake duct. In this event, proceed as follows:

(1) Continue cranking in an attempt to get a start which would suck the flames and accumulated fuel through the carburetor and into the engine.

(2) If the start is successful, run the engine at 1700 RPM for a few minutes before shutting it down to inspect the damage.

(3) If engine start is unsuccessful, continue cranking for two or three minutes with throttle full open while ground attendants obtain fire extinguishers. (4) When ready to extinguish fire, release the starter switch and turn off master switch, ignition switch, and fuel shutoff valve.
(5) Smother flames with fire extinguisher, seat cushion, wool blanket, or loose dirt. If practical,try to remove carburetor air filter if it is ablaze.

(6) Make a thorough inspection of fire damage, and repair or replace damaged components before conducting another flight.

#### ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT.

Although engine fires are extremely rare in flight, the following steps should be taken if one is encountered:

(1) Pull mixture control to idle cut-off.

- (2) Turn fuel shutoff valve "OFF."
- (3) Turn master switch "OFF."
- (4) Establish a 100 MPH glide.
- (5) Close cabin heat control.
- (6) Select a field suitable for a forced landing.

(7) If fire is not extinguished, increase glide speed in an attempt to find an airspeed that will provide an incombustible mixture.

(8) Execute a forced landing as described in paragraph Emergency Landing Without Engine Power. Do not attempt to restart the engine.

#### ELECTRICAL FIRE IN FLIGHT.

The initial indication of an electrical fire is the odor of burning insulation. The immediate response should be to turn the master switch "OFF." Then close off ventilating air as much as practicable to reduce the chances of a sustained fire.

If electrical power is indispensable for the flight, an attempt may be made to identify and cut off the defective circuit as follows:

(1) Master Switch -- "OFF."

(2) All other switches (except ignition switch) -- "OFF."

(3) Check condition of fuses and circuit breaker to identify faulty circuit if possible. Leave faulty circuit deactivated.

(4) Master Switch -- "ON."

(5) Select switches "ON" successively, permitting a short time delay to elapse after each switch is turned on until the short circuit is localized.

(6) Make sure fire is completely extinguished before opening ventilators.

## FLIGHT IN ICING CONDITIONS.

Although flying in known icing conditions is prohibited, an unexpected icing encounter should be handled as follows:

(1) Turn pitot heat switch "ON" (if installed).

(2) Turn back or change altitude to obtain an outside air temperature that is less conducive to icing.

(3) Pull cabin heat control full out to obtain windshield defroster airflow. Adjust cabin air control for maximum defroster heat and airflow.

(4) Open the throttle to increase engine speed to minimize ice buildup.

(5) Watch for signs of carburetor air filter ice and apply carburetor heat as required. An unexplained loss in engine speed could be caused by carburetor ice or air intake filter ice. Lean the mixture for maximum RPM if carburetor heat is used continuously.

(6) Plan a landing at the nearest airport. With an extremely rapid ice build-up, select a suitable "off airport" landing site.

(7) With an ice accumulation of 1/4 inch or more on the wing leading edges, be prepared for significantly higher stall speed.

(8) Leave wing flaps retracted. With a severe ice build-up on the horizontal tail, the change in wing wake airflow direction caused by wing flap extension could result in a loss of elevator effectiveness.

(9) Open left window and scrape ice from a portion of the windshield for visibility in the landing approach. The metal control lock shield may be used as a scraper. (10) Perform a landing approach using a forward slip, if necessary,

for improved visibility.

(11) Approach at 70 to 80 MPH, depending on ice accumulation.

(12) Perform a landing in level attitude.

## BAIL-OUT.

If an emergency arises where bail-out is required, proceed as follows:

- (1) Unlatch door.
- (2) Pull emergency door release D ring.
- (3) Push door clear of airplane.
  (4) Release seat belt and shoulder harness.
- (5) Bail-out.

The recommended bail-out procedure for the pilot is to grasp the forward doorpost with the right hand and to roll out the door opening head first. The left hand should be placed on the landing gear step and used as a support in pushing over the aft side of the landing gear.

## Section V

## OPERATING LIMITATIONS

## **OPERATIONS AUTHORIZED.**

Your Cessna exceeds the requirements of airworthiness as set forth by the United States Government, and is certificated under FAA Type Certificate No. 3A19 as Cessna Model No. A150L.

With standard equipment, the airplane is approved for day and night operation under VFR. Additional optional equipment is available to increase its utility and to make it authorized for use under IFR day and night.

Your airplane must be operated in accordance with all FAA-approved markings, placards and check lists in the airplane. If there is any information in this section which contradicts the FAA-approved markings, placards and check lists, it is to be disregarded.

## MANEUVERS-ACROBATIC CATEGORY.

The 150 Aerobat is certificated in the Acrobatic Category, and the following gross weight and flight load factors are applicable.

Gross Weight			•		•	•	•		۰.	•			•		• • •	1600 lbs
Flight Load Factor																
*Flaps Up	٠	•	•	•	•		•	•				•		•	+6.0	-3.0
*Flaps Down .	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	+3.5	

\*The design load factors are 150% of the above, and in all cases, the structure meets or exceeds design loads.

The following aerobatic maneuvers are approved:

#### MANEUVER

#### **RECOMMENDED ENTRY SPEED**

Chandelles					•									. 120 MPH (104 knots)
Lazy Eights .		•	•						•			•		. 120 MPH (104 knots)
Steep Turns .	•		•	•						•				. 110 MPH (96 knots)
Stalls (Except	Wł	nip	S	tal	ls)							•		Use Slow Deceleration
Spins					•									<b>Use Slow Deceleration</b>
Loops	•										•			. 130 MPH (113 knots)
Cuban Eights.							•							. 145 MPH (126 knots)
Immelmanns .										•				. 145 MPH (126 knots)
Aileron Rolls			•										•	. 130_MPH (113 knots)
Barrel Rolls .		•		•			•				.•			. 130 MPH (113 knots)
Snap Rolls				•	•									90 MPH (78 knots)
Vertical Rever	se	me	ent	ts			•.	•				• (	G.	90 MPH (78 knots)
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Aerobatic maneuvers (including spins) with flaps extended are not approved. Inverted flight maneuvers are not approved. Refer to Section III for additional information on aerobatic maneuvers.

## AIRSPEED LIMITATIONS (CAS).

The following is a list of the certificated calibrated airspeed (CAS) limitations for the airplane.

Never Exceed Speed (glide or dive, smooth air).	•				193 MPH
Maximum Structural Cruising Speed					140 MPH
Maximum Speed, Flaps Extended			•	•	100 MPH
*Maneuvering Speed	•	•	•	•.	118 MPH

\*The maximum speed at which you may use abrupt control travel.

## AIRSPEED INDICATOR MARKINGS.

The following is a list of the certificated calibrated airspeed markings (CAS) for the airplane.

## ENGINE OPERATION LIMITATIONS.

## ENGINE INSTRUMENT MARKINGS.

## OIL TEMPERATURE GAGE.

Normal Operating Rang	ge				•						•	•	Green	Arc
Maximum Allowable	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	24	40°F	۲ (red	line)

## OIL PRESSURE GAGE

Minimum Idling	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	10 PSI (red line)
Normal Operating Range	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•	30-60 PSI (green arc)
Maximum	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	. 100 PSI (red line)

## FUEL QUANTITY INDICATORS.

Empty (1.75 gallons unusable each standard tank) . . . E (red line) (1.50 gallons unusable each long range tank)

#### TACHOMETER.

Normal Operating Ra	ng	e:				
At sea level			•		•	2000-2550 (inner green arc)
At 5000 feet				•		2000-2650 (middle green arc)
At 10,000 feet .	•		•		•	2000-2750 (outer green arc)
Maximum Allowable	•	•		•	•	

## WEIGHT AND BALANCE.

The following information will enable you to operate your Cessna within the prescribed weight and center of gravity limitations. To figure the weight and balance for your particular airplane, use the Sample Problem, Loading Graph, and Center of Gravity Moment Envelope as follows:

Take the "Licensed Empty Weight" and "Moment" from the Weight and Balance Data sheet (or changes noted on FAA Form 337) carried in your airplane, and write them down in the column titled "YOUR AIR-PLANE" on the Sample Loading Problem.

#### NOTE

The Weight and Balance Data sheet is included in the aircraft file. In addition to the licensed empty weight and moment noted on this sheet, the c.g. arm (fuselage station) is shown. The c.g. arm figure need not be used on the Sample Loading Problem. The moment shown on the sheet must be divided by 1000 and this value used as the moment/1000 on the loading problem.

Use the Loading Graph to determine the moment/1000 for each additional item to be carried, then list these on the loading problem.

### NOTE

Loading Graph information is based on seats positioned for average occupants and baggage loaded in the center of the baggage area. For other than average loading situations, the Sample Loading Problem lists fuselage stations for these items to indicate their forward and aft c.g. range limitation (seat travel or baggage area limitation). Additional moment calculations, based on the actual weight and c.g. arm (fuselage station) of the item being loaded, must be made if the position of the load is different from that shown on the Loading Graph.

Total the weights and moments/1000 and plot these values on the Center of Gravity Moment Envelope to determine whether the point falls within the envelope, and if the loading is acceptable.



	SAMPLE /	AIRPLANE	YOUR A	IRPLANE
SAMPLE LOADING PROBLEM	Weight (lbs.)	Moment (lbins. /1000)	Weight (Ibs.)	Moment (lb ins. //1000)
1. Licensed Empty Weight (Sample Airplane)	1092	35.6		
2. Oil (6 qts Full oil may be assumed for all flights)	11	-0.1		
3. Fuel (Standard - 22.5 gal at 6 lbs./gallon)	135	5.7		
Fuel (Long Range - 35 gal. at 6 lbs./gallon)	-			
4. Pilot and Passenger (Sta. 35 to 41)	340	13.3		
5. Parachutes (Average weight 20 lbs. each)	2			
(Sta. 46 to 52) 6. * Baggage - Area 1 (or passenger on child's seat)	22	1.6		
(Sta. 50 to 76) 7.* Baggage - Area 2 (Sta. 76 to 94)	2			
8. TOTAL WEIGHT AND MOMENT	1600	56.1		
<ol> <li>Locate this point (1600 at 56.1) on the center of gr and since this point falls within the envelope, the 1</li></ol>	avity moment e loading is accep	nvelope. table.	STOTIC	
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			Drill	





# Section VI

## CARE OF THE AIRPLANE

If your airplane is to retain that new-plane performance and dependability, certain inspection and maintenance requirements must be followed. It is wise to follow a planned schedule of lubrication and preventive maintenance based on climatic and flying conditions encountered in your locality.

Keep in touch with your Cessna Dealer, and take advantage of his knowledge and experience. He knows your airplane and how to maintain it. He will remind you when lubrications and oil changes are necessary and about other seasonal and periodic services.

## **GROUND HANDLING.**

The airplane is most easily and safely maneuvered by hand with a tow-bar attached to the nose wheel.

#### NOTE

When using the tow-bar, never exceed the turning angle of 30°, either side of center, or damage to the gear will result.

## MOORING YOUR AIRPLANE.

Proper tie-down is the best precaution against damage to your parked airplane by gusty or strong winds. To tie down your airplane securely, proceed as follows:

- (1) Set parking brake and install control wheel lock.
- (2) Install a surface control lock between each aileron and flap.
- (3) Tie sufficiently strong ropes or chains (700 pounds tensile

strength) to wing and tail tie-down fittings, and secure each rope to a ramp tie-down.

(4) Install a surface control lock over the fin and rudder.

(5) Install a pitot tube cover.

(6) Tie a rope to an exposed portion of the engine mount and secure the opposite end to a ramp tie-down.

## WINDSHIELD-WINDOWS.

The plastic windshield and windows should be cleaned with an aircraft windshield cleaner. Apply the cleaner sparingly with soft cloths, and rub with moderate pressure until all dirt, oil scum and bug stains are removed. Allow the cleaner to dry, then wipe it off with soft flannel cloths.

If a windshield cleaner is not available, the plastic can be cleaned with soft cloths moistened with Stoddard solvent to remove oil and grease.

### NOTE

<u>Never use</u> gasoline, benzine, alcohol, acetone, carbon tetrachloride, fire extinguisher or anti-ice fluid, lacquer thinner or glass cleaner to clean the plastic. These materials will attack the plastic and may cause it to craze.

Follow by <u>carefully</u> washing with a mild detergent and plenty of water. Rinse thoroughly, then dry with a clean moist chamois. <u>Do not rub</u> the plastic with a dry cloth since this builds up an electrostatic charge which attracts dust. Waxing with a good commercial wax will finish the cleaning job. A thin, even coat of wax, polished out by hand with clean soft flannel cloths, will fill in minor scratches and help prevent further scratching.

<u>Do not use</u> a canvas cover on the windshield unless freezing rain or sleet is anticipated since the cover may scratch the plastic surface.

## PAINTED SURFACES.

The painted exterior surfaces of your new Cessna have a durable, long lasting finish and, under normal conditions, require no polishing of buffing. Approximately 15 days are required for the paint to cure completely; in most cases, the curing period will have been completed prior to delivery of the airplane. In the event that polishing or buffing is required within the curing period, it is recommended that the work be done by someone experienced in handling uncured paint. Any Cessna Dealer can accomplish this work.

Generally, the painted surfaces can be kept bright by washing with water and mild soap, followed by a rinse with water and drying with cloths or a chamois. Harsh or abrasive soaps or detergents which cause corrosion or scratches should never be used. Remove stubborn oil and grease with a cloth moistened with Stoddard solvent.

Waxing is unnecessary to keep the painted surfaces bright. However, if desired, the airplane may be waxed with a good automotive wax. A heavier coating of wax on the leading edges of the wings and tail and on the engine nose cap and propeller spinner will help reduce the abrasion encountered in these areas.

When the airplane is parked outside in cold climates and it is necessary to remove ice before flight, care should be taken to protect the painted surfaces during ice removal with chemical liquids. A 50-50 solution of isopropyl alcohol and water will satisfactorily remove ice accumulations without damaging the paint. A solution with more than 50% alcohol is harmful and should be avoided. While applying the de-icing solution, keep it away from the windshield and cabin windows since the alcohol will attack the plastic and may cause it to craze.

## PROPELLER CARE.

Preflight inspection of propeller blades for nicks, and wiping them occasionally with an oily cloth to clean off grass and bug stains will assure long, trouble-free service. Small nicks on the blades, particularly near the tips and on the leading edges, should be dressed out as soon as possible since these nicks produce stress concentrations, and if ignored, may result in cracks. Never use an alkaline cleaner on the blades; remove grease and dirt with carbron tetrachloride or Stoddard solvent.

## INTERIOR CARE.

To remove dust and loose dirt from the upholstery, headliner, and carpet, clean the interior regularly with a vacuum cleaner.

Blot up any spilled liquid promptly, with cleansing tissue or rags. Don't pat the spot; press the blotting material firmly and hold it for several seconds. Continue blotting until no more liquid is taken up. Scrape off sticky materials with a dull knife, then spot-clean the area.

Oily spots may be cleaned with household spot removers, used sparingly. Before using any solvent, read the instructions on the container and test it on an obscure place on the fabric to be cleaned. Never saturate the fabric with a volatile solvent; it may damage the padding and backing materials.

Soiled upholstery and carpet may be cleaned with foam-type detergent, used according to the manufacturer's instructions. To minimize wetting the fabric, keep the foam as dry as possible and remove it with a vacuum cleaner.

The plastic trim, instrument panel and control knobs need only be wiped off with a damp cloth. Oil and grease on the control wheel and control knobs can be removed with a cloth moistened with kerosene. Volatile solvents, such as mentioned in paragraphs on care of the windshield, must never be used since they soften and craze the plastic.

Radio faceplates are finished with a suede coating which produces a soft, rich appearance and warm feel comparable to suede. Unlike suede leather, dust and dirt marks can be removed easily with a damp sponge. Remove non-greasy stains with a liquid cleaner such as "Mr. Clean", "Handy Andy", "Lestoil", "Liquid Ajax" or "Cinch". Greasy stains can be removed with a naptha-dampened sponge, scrub brush or lint free cloth.

## FLYABLE STORAGE.

Aircraft which are not in daily flight should have the engine started and warmed up at least once each week. In damp climates and in storage areas where the daily temperature variation can cause condensation, the warm-up operation should be accomplished more frequently. Warming up the engine replaces oil which has drained from surfaces of internal parts while standing idle. Warm up should be accomplished at a throttle setting necessary to produce a minimum oil temperature within the lower green arc range.

#### NOTE

Excessive ground runup should be avoided. Runup should not exceed 10 minutes duration.

Engine warm up also helps to eliminate excessive accumulations of water in the fuel system and other air spaces in the engine. Keep fuel tanks full to minimize condensation in the tanks. Keep the battery fully charged to prevent the electrolyte from freezing in cold weather. If the aircraft is to be stored temporarily, or indefinitely, refer to the Service Manual for proper storage procedures.

## INSPECTION SERVICE AND INSPECTION PERIODS.

With your airplane you will receive an Owner's Service Policy. Coupons attached to the policy entitle you to an initial inspection and the first 100-hour inspection at no charge. If you take delivery from your Dealer, he will perform the initial inspection before delivery of the airplane to you. If you pick up the airplane at the factory, plan to take it to your Dealer reasonably soon after you take delivery on it. This will permit him to check it over and to make any minor adjustments that may appear necessary. Also, plan an inspection by your Dealer at 100 hours or 180 days, whichever comes first. This inspection also is performed by your Dealer for you at no charge. While these important inspections will be performed for you by any Cessna Dealer, in most cases you will prefer to have the Dealer from whom you purchased the airplane accomplish this work.

Federal Aviation Regulations require that all airplanes have a periodic (annual) inspection as prescribed by the administrator, and performed by a person designated by the administrator. In addition, 100-hour periodic inspections made by an "appropriately-rated mechanic" are required if the airplane is flown for hire. The Cessna Aircraft Company recommends the 100-hour periodic inspection for your airplane. The procedure for this 100-hour inspection has been carefully worked out by the factory and is followed by the Cessna Dealer Organization. The complete familiarity of the Cessna Dealer Organization with Cessna equipment and with factory-approved procedures provides the highest type of service possible at lower cost.

## AIRCRAFT FILE.

There are miscellaneous data, information and licenses that are a part of the aircraft file. The following is a check list for that file. In addition, a periodic check should be made of the latest Federal Aviation Regulations to ensure that all data requirements are met.

- A. To be displayed in the aircraft at all times:
  - (1) Aircraft Airworthiness Certificate (FAA Form 8100-2).

(2) Aircraft Registration Certificate (FAA Form 8050-3).

(3) Aircraft Radio Station License if transmitter installed (FCC Form 556).

B. To be carried in the aircraft at all times:

 Weight and Balance, and associated papers (latest copy of the Repair and Alteration Form, FAA Form 337, if applicable).
 (2) Aircraft Equipment List.

- C. To be made available upon request:
  - (1) Aircraft Log Book.
  - (2) Engine Log Book.

## NOTE

Cessna recommends that these items, plus the Owner's Manual, "Cessna Flight Guide" (Flight Computer), and Service Policies, be carried in the aircraft at all times.

Most of the items listed are required by the United States Federal Aviation Regulations. Since the regulations of other nations may require other documents and data, owners of exported aircraft should check with their own aviation officials to determine their individual requirements.

## MAA PLATE/FINISH AND TRIM PLATE.

Information concerning the Type Certificate Number (TC), Production Certificate Number (PC), Model Number and Serial Number of your particular aircraft can be found on the MAA (Manufacturers Aircraft Association) plate located on the cabin floor below the left rear corner of the pilot seat. The plate is accessible by sliding the seat forward and lifting the carpet in this area.

A Finish and Trim plate contains a code describing the interior color scheme and exterior paint combination of the aircraft. The code may be used in conjunction with an applicable Parts Catalog if finish and trim information is needed. This plate is located on the lower left door jamb.

## LUBRICATION AND SERVICING PROCEDURES

Specific servicing information is provided here for items requiring daily attention. A Servicing Intervals Check List is included to inform the pilot when to have other items checked and serviced.

### DAILY

#### FUEL TANK FILLERS:

Service after each flight with 80/87 minimum grade fuel. The capacity of each wing tank is 13 gallons for standard fuel tanks, 19 gallons for optional long range tanks. Due to cross feeding between fuel tanks, the tanks should be re-topped after each refueling to assure maximum capacity.

#### FUEL STRAINER:

Before first flight of the day and after each refueling, pull out fuel strainer drain knob (located just inside cowl access door) for about four seconds, to clear fuel strainer of possible water and sediment. Release drain knob, then check that strainer drain is closed after draining. If water is observed, there is a possibility that the wing tank sumps contain water. Thus, the wing tank sump drain plugs and fuel line drain plug should be removed to check for presence of water.

#### OIL FILLER:

When preflight check shows low oil level, service with aviation grade engine oil; SAE 40 above 40°F and SAE 10W30 or SAE 20 below 40°F. (Multi-viscosity oil with a range of SAE 10W30 is recommended for improved starting in cold weather.) Detergent or dispersant oil, conforming to Continental Motors Specification MHS-24A, <u>must be used</u>. Your Cessna Dealer can supply approved brands of oil.

#### NOTE

To promote faster ring seating and improved oil control, your Cessna was delivered from the factory with straight mineral oil (non-detergent). This "break-in" oil should be used <u>only</u> for the first 20 to 30 hours of operation, at which time it must be replaced with detergent oil.

#### OIL DIPSTICK:

Check oil level before each flight. Do not operate on less than 4 quarts. To minimize loss of oil through breather, fill to 5 quart level for normal flights of less than 3 hours. For extended flight, fill to 6 quarts. If optional oil filter is installed, one additional quart is required when the filter element is changed.

## SERVICING INTERVALS CHECK LIST

## EACH 50 HOURS

BATTERY -- Check and service. Check more often (at least every 30 days) if operating in hot weather.

ENGINE OIL AND OIL FILTER -- Change engine oil and replace filter element. If optional oil filter is <u>not</u> installed, change oil and clean screen <u>every 25 hours</u>. Change engine oil at least every four months even though less than 50 hours have been accumulated. Reduce periods for prolonged operation in dusty areas, cold climates, or when short flights and long idle periods result in sludging conditions.

#### NOTE

After first 20 to 30 hours of engine operation, an initial oil change should be made to remove "break-in" oil and change the filter, if installed.

CARBURETOR AIR FILTER -- Clean or replace. Under extremely dusty conditions, daily maintenance of the filter is recommended. NOSE GEAR TORQUE LINKS -- Lubricate. When operating under dusty conditions, more frequent lubrication is recommended.

## EACH 100 HOURS

SPARK PLUGS -- Clean, test and regap. BRAKE MASTER CYLINDERS -- Check and fill. SHIMMY DAMPENER -- Check and fill. FUEL STRAINER -- Disassemble and clean. FUEL TANK SUMP DRAINS -- Drain water and sediment. FUEL LINE DRAIN PLUG -- Drain water and sediment. SUCTION RELIEF VALVE INLET FILTER (OPT) -- Clean. Replace at engine overhaul period.

## EACH 500 HOURS

VACUUM SYSTEM AIR FILTER (OPT) -- Replace filter element. Replace sooner if suction gage reading drops to 4.6 in. Hg.

WHEEL BEARINGS -- Lubricate at first 100 hours and at 500 hours thereafter. Reduce lubrication interval to 100 hours when operating in dusty or seacoast areas, during periods of extensive taxiing, or when numerous take-offs and landings are made.

## AS REQUIRED

NOSE GEAR SHOCK STRUT -- Keep filled with hydraulic fluid and inflated with air to 20 psi. Do not over-inflate.

## OWNER FOLLOW-UP SYSTEM

Your Cessna Dealer has an owner follow-up system to notify you when he receives information that applies to your Cessna. In addition, if you wish, you may choose to receive similar notification directly from the Cessna Customer Services Department. A subscription form is supplied in your Owner's Service Policy booklet for your use, should you choose to request this service. Your Cessna Dealer will be glad to supply you with details concerning these follow-up programs, and stands ready through his Service Department to supply you with fast, efficient, low cost service.

## PUBLICATIONS

Various publications and flight operation aids are furnished in the aircraft when delivered from the factory. These items are listed below.

- OWNER'S MANUALS FOR YOUR AIRCRAFT ELECTRONICS
- CESSNA FLIGHT GUIDE (FLIGHT COMPUTER)
- SALES AND SERVICE DEALER DIRECTORY
- DO'S AND DON'TS ENGINE BOOKLET

The following additional publications, plus many other supplies that are applicable to your aircraft, are available from your Cessna Dealer.

SERVICE MANUALS AND PARTS CATALOGS FOR YOUR AIRCRAFT ENGINE AND ACCESSORIES ELECTRONICS

Your Cessna Dealer has a current catalog of all available Customer Services Supplies, many of which he keeps on hand. If supplies are not in stock, your Cessna Dealer will be happy to order for you.



# Section VII

## OPERATIONAL DATA

The operational data shown on the following pages are compiled from actual tests with the airplane and engine in good condition, and using average piloting technique and best power mixture. You will find this data a valuable aid when planning your flights.

To realize the maximum usefulness from your Cessna, you should take advantage of its high cruising speeds. However, if range is of primary importance, it may pay you to fly at a low cruising RPM, thereby increasing your range and allowing you to make the trip non-stop with ample fuel reserve. The cruise performance table (figure 7-4) should be used to solve flight planning problems of this nature.

In the table (figure 7-4), range and endurance are given for lean mixture from 2500 feet to 12, 500 feet. All figures are based on zero wind, 22.5 and 35.0 gallons of fuel for cruise, McCauley 1A101/GCM6948 propeller, 1600 pounds gross weight, and standard atmospheric conditions. Mixture is leaned to maximum RPM. Allowances for fuel reserve, headwinds, take-offs and climb, and variations in mixture leaning technique should be made as no allowances are shown on the chart. Other indeterminate variables such as carburetor metering characteristics, engine and propeller conditions, and turbulence of the atmosphere may account for variations of 10% or more in maximum range.

Remember that the charts contained herein are based on standard day conditions. For more precise power, fuel consumption, and endurance information, consult the Cessna Flight Guide (Power Computer) supplied with your aircraft. With the Flight Guide, you can easily take into account temperature variations from standard at any flight altitude.



Figure 7-2.
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	XX	IMU	Z	RAT	E-0F		W		ATA-		
	AT SEA	LEVEL &	59°F.	AT 5	000 FT. & 41	• F.	AT 100	00 FT. &	23° F.		
	IAS, MPH	RATE OF CLIMB FT. /MIN.	FUE USEI GAI	L IAS, MPH D,	I RATE OF CLIMB FT./MIN.	FUEL I USED FROM S.L., GAL.	AS, MPH	RATE OF CLIMB FT./MIN.	FUEL USED FROM S.L., GAL.		
<b></b>	76	670	0.6	3 73	440	1.6	70	220	3.0		
	Flaps re Fuel use For hot	stracted, f sd includes weather, c	ull thro warm- decreas	ttle, mixture up and take-o e rate of climi	ff allowances. b 15 ft./min.	ooth operati for each 10	on above : )°F above	5000 ft. standard c	lay temperatur	ce for particul	ar altitude.
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		AT SE	A LEVE	CL & 29° F.	AT 2500	FT. & 50°	P	VT 5000 FT	. & 41° F.	AT 7500 I	rT. & 32° F.
7	PPROACE SPEED, IAS, MPH	GROU ROL	цр Г	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT.OBS	GROUND ROLL	TOTA TO CLE 50 FT.C	L AR DBS G	ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT. OBS	GROUND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT. OBS
<b></b>	60	44	2	1075	470	1135	$\vdash$	495	1195	520	1255
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Figure 7-3.

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-CRL	JISE	PE	RFOR	MAN	ICE –		WITH MIXT	LEAN URE
ALTITUDE	RPM	%внр	TAS MPH	GAL/HR.	END. STANDARD 22.5 GAL.	HOURS LONG RANGE 35 GAL.	RANGE STANDARD 22.5 GAL.	MILES LONGRANGE 35 GAL.
2500	2750	92	119	7.0	3.2	5.0	380	595
	2700	87	117	6.6	3.4	5.3	400	620
	2600	77	112	5.8	3.9	6.1	435	685
	2500	68	106	5.1	4.4	6.9	465	730
	2400	60	101	4.6	4.9	7.7	495	780
	2300	53	94	4.1	5.5	8.6	515	810
	2200	46	87	3.6	6.2	9.7	540	845
	2100	40	77	3.2	7.0	10.9	540	840
5000	2750	85	119	6.4	3.5	5.5	415	655
	2700	80	116	6.0	3.8	5.8	440	675
	2600	71	111	5.3	4.2	6.6	465	735
	2500	63	105	4.8	4.7	7.4	495	775
	2400	56	99	4.3	5.3	8.2	525	810
	2300	49	91	3.8	5.9	9.2	535	835
	2200	43	82	3.4	6.6	10.3	540	845
	2100	37	69	3.0	7.5	11.7	515	810
7500	2700	74	115	5.5	4.1	6.3	470	725
	2600	66	109	4.9	4.6	7.1	500	775
	2500	58	103	4.4	5.1	7.9	525	815
	2400	52	96	4.0	5.7	8.8	545	845
	2300	45	87	3.6	6.3	9.8	550	855
	2200	40	75	3.2	7.1	11.1	530	830
10,000	2700	68	114	5.1	4.4	6.8	500	775
	2600	61	107	4.6	4.9	7.6	525	815
	2500	54	100	4.1	5.4	8.5	540	850
	2400	48	91	3.7	6.1	9.4	555	855
	2300	42	80	3.3	6.8	10.6	545	855
12, 500	2650	60	108	4.5	5.0	7.8	540	840
	2600	56	104	4.3	5.3	8.2	550	855
	2500	50	95	3.9	5.8	9.1	550	865
	2400	44	84	3.5	6.5	10.1	540	850

NOTES: 1. Maximum cruise is normally limited to 75% power.
2. In the above calculations of endurance in hours and range in miles, no allowances were made for take-off or reserve.

Figure 7-4.





# Section VIII

#### OPTIONAL SYSTEMS

This section contains a description, operating procedures, and performance data (when applicable) for some of the optional equipment which may be installed in your Cessna. Owner's Manual Supplements are provided to cover operation of other optional equipment systems when installed in your airplane. Contact your Cessna Dealer for a complete list of available optional equipment.

## LONG RANGE FUEL TANKS

Special wings with long range fuel tanks are available to replace the standard wings and fuel tanks for greater endurance and range. Each tank has a total capacity of 19 gallons. Usable fuel in each long range tank, for all flight conditions, is 17.5 gallons.



#### WINTERIZATION KIT.

For continuous operation in temperatures consistently below  $20^{\circ}F$  the Cessna winterization kit should be installed to improve engine operation. The kit consists of two shields to partially cover the cowl nose cap opening, the addition of heat ducting from the right exhaust manifold for additional cabin heat, a carburetor airbox heat outlet cap, and insulation for the engine crankcase breather line. Once installed, the crankcase breather insulation is approved for permanent use in both cold and hot weather.

#### **GROUND SERVICE PLUG RECEPTACLE.**

A ground service plug receptacle may be installed to permit the use of an external power source for cold weather starting and during lengthy maintenance work on the electrical and electronic equipment.

Just before connecting an external power source (generator type or battery cart), the master switch should be turned "ON." This is especially important since it will enable the battery to absorb transient voltages which otherwise might damage the transistors in the electronic equipment.

The battery and external power circuits have been designed to completely eliminate the need to "jumper" across the battery contactor to close it for charging a completely "dead" battery. A special fused circuit in the external power system supplies the needed "jumper" across the contacts so that with a "dead" battery and an external power source applied, turning the master switch "ON" will close the battery contactor.

## TRUE AIRSPEED INDICATOR

A true airspeed indicator is available to replace the standard airspeed indicator in your airplane. The true airspeed indicator has a calibrated rotatable ring which works in conjunction with the airspeed indicator dial in a manner similar to the operation of a flight computer.

TO OBTAIN TRUE AIRSPEED, rotate ring until pressure altitude is aligned with outside air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Then read true airspeed on rotatable ring opposite airspeed needle.

#### NOTE

Pressure altitude should not be confused with indicated altitude. To obtain pressure altitude, set barometric scale on altimeter to "29.92" and read pressure altitude on altimeter. Be sure to return altimeter barometric scale to original barometric setting after pressure altitude has been obtained.

## **RADIO TRANSMITTER SELECTOR SWITCH**

Operation of the radio equipment is normal as covered in the respective radio manuals. When the aircraft is equipped with more than one radio having transmitter capabilities, a transmitter selector switch is installed to switch the microphone to the radio unit the pilot desires to use for transmission. The switch is located in the upper center portion of the instrument panel and is labeled "TRANS, 1 and 2." Placing the switch in the upper position, labeled "1," switches the microphone to the upper transmitter; the lower position, labeled "2," switches the microphone to the lower transmitter.

## BOOM MICROPHONE

A boom microphone may be mounted near the upper left corner of the windshield. Use of the boom microphone allows radio communication without the necessity of releasing any controls to handle the normal hand microphone. The microphone keying switch is a push button located on the left side of the pilot's control wheel.

## FUEL TANK QUICK-DRAIN VALVE KIT

Two fuel tank quick-drain valves and a fuel sampler cup are available as a kit to facilitate daily draining and inspection of fuel in the main tanks for the presence of water and sediment. The valves replace existing fuel tank drain plugs located at the lower inboard area of the wing. The fuel sampler cup, which may be stowed in the map compartment, is used to drain the valves. The sampler cup has a probe in the center of the cup. When the probe is inserted into the hole in the bottom of the drain valve and pushed upward, fuel flows into the cup to facilitate visual inspection of the fuel. As the cup is removed, the drain valve seats, stopping the flow of fuel.

## OIL QUICK-DRAIN VALVE

An oil quick-drain valve is optionally offered to replace the drain plug in the oil sump drain port. The valve provides a quicker and cleaner method of draining engine oil. To drain the oil with this valve installed, slip a hose over the end of the valve, route the hose to a suitable container, then push upward on the end of the valve until it snaps into the open position. Spring clips will hold the valve open. After draining, use a screwdriver or suitable tool to snap the valve into the extended (closed) position and remove the drain hose.

## ACCELEROMETER

An accelerometer is optionally offered on the 150 Aerobat. The accelerometer continuously indicates the g forces being imposed on the aircraft. The dial display utilizes three pointers; one pointer indicates instantaneous acceleration, one records maximum positive acceleration, and one records maximum negative acceleration. Maximum instrument markings range from  $\pm 10$ G to  $\pm 5$ G. A "PUSH TO SET" knob, located on the lower left corner of the instrument, is used to reset the 'Maximum Positive' and 'Maximum Negative' pointers.

## WING LEVELER

A wing leveler may be installed to augment the lateral and directional stability of the airplane. The system uses the Turn Coordinator for roll and yaw sensing. Vacuum pressure, from the engine-driven vacuum pump, is routed from the Turn Coordinator to cylinder-piston servo units attached to the aileron and rudder control systems. As the airplane deviates from a wing level attitude or a given direction, vacuum pressure in the servo units is increased or relieved as needed to actuate the ailerons and rudder to oppose the deviations. The rudder action effectively corrects adverse yaw induced by the ailerons.

A separately mounted push-pull control knob, labeled "WING LVLR," is provided at the lower center of the instrument panel to turn the system on and off. A "ROLL TRIM" control knob on the Turn Coordinator is used for manual roll trim control to compensate for asymmetrical loading of fuel and passengers, and to optimize system performance in climb, cruise and let-down.

#### TAKE-OFF.

(1) "WING LVLR" Control Knob -- Check in off position (full in).

#### CLIMB.

- (1) Adjust elevator trim for climb.
- (2) "WING LVLR" Control Knob -- Pull control knob "ON".
- (3) "ROLL TRIM" Control Knob -- Adjust for wings level attitude.

#### CRUISE.

- (1) Adjust power and elevator trim for level flight.
- (2) "ROLL TRIM" Control Knob -- Adjust as desired.

#### DESCENT.

- (1) Adjust power and elevator trim for desired rate of descent.
- (2) "ROLL TRIM" Control Knob -- Adjust as desired.

#### LANDING.

(1) Before landing, push "WING LVLR" control knob full in to the off position.

## EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

If a malfunction should occur, the system is easily overpowered with pressure on the control wheel. The system should then be turned off. In the event of partial or complete vacuum failure, the wing leveler will automatically become inoperative. However, the Turn Coordinator used with the wing leveler system will not be affected by loss of vacuum since it is designed with a "back-up" system enabling it to operate from either vacuum or electrical power in the event of failure of one of these sources.

#### **OPERATING NOTES**

(1) The wing leveler system may be overpowered at any time without damage or wear. However, for extended periods of maneuvering it may be desirable to turn the system off.

(2) It is recommended that the system not be engaged during take-off and landing. Although the system can be easily overpowered, servo forces could significantly alter the manual "feel" of the aileron control, especially should a malfunction occur.



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#### ENGINE OIL:

AVIATION GRADE -- SAE 40 ABOVE 40°E.

SAE 10W30 OR SAE 20 BELOW 40°F. (MULTI-VISCOSITY OIL WITH A RANGE OF SAE 10W30 IS RECOMMENDED FOR IMPROVED STARTING IN COLD WEATHER. DETERGENT OR DISPERSANT OIL, CON-FORMING TO CONTINENTAL MOTORS SPECIFICATION MHS-24A, MUST BE USED.)

CAPACITY OF ENGINE SUMP -- 6 QUARTS

(DO NOT OPERATE ON LESS THAN 4 QUARTS. TO MINIMIZE LOSS OF OIL THROUGH BREATHER, FILL TO 5 QUART LEVEL FOR NORMAL FLIGHTS OF LESS THAN 3 HOURS. FOR EXTENDED FLIGHT, FILL TO 6 QUARTS. IF OPTIONAL OIL FILTER IS INSTALLED, ONE ADDITIONAL QUART IS REQUIRED WHEN THE FILTER ELEMENT IS CHANGED.)

HYDRAULIC FLUID: MIL-H-5606 HYDRAULIC FLUID

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MAIN WHEELS -- 21 PSI ON 6:00 X 6 (4 PLY TIRES)

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