



## INTERIOR

Aircraft Documents	AROW
Master Switch	ON
Fuel Qty Indications	CHECK
All Lights	CHECK
Pitot Heat (if IFR)	CHECK
Master Switch	OFF
Ignition Switch	OFF
Fuel Tank Selector	BOTH
Control Lock	REMOVE
FLAPS	EXTEND

## EXTERIOR – EMPENNAGE

Radio Antennas	SECURE
Windows	CLEAR
Baggage Door	SECURE

Horizontal Stab	CHECK
Elevator	-FREE MOVEMENT -Inspect Tail Surface Hinges and hinge bolts -Apply a moderate force to each elevator, in opposite directions, checking for looseness at the attachment of the elevators to the torque tube adapter
Trim Tab	CHECK for Security
Tie Down	DISCONNECT
Rudder	FREE MOVEMENT
Cover Plates	SECURE

## **RIGHT WING**

Fuel Sump	DRAIN (2 oz sample, water/contmnt)
Flap	CHECK, hinges
Aileron	CHECK, hinges & weights
Lights	Free of Damage
Wing	FREE OF ICE, FROST
Fuel Tank/Qty/Cap	CHECK
Air Inlet	CLEAR
RIGHT Main Wheel	INSPECT (cuts, bruises, inflation)
Brake Assembly	INSPECT
Tie Down	DISCONNECT

## **NOSE**

Windshield	CLEAN
Oil Level	CHECK (Do not operate with less than SIX quarts), Fill for extended Flight.

Fuel Strainer	DRAIN (4 seconds)
Cowl	INSPECT access door(s) for security x2
Air Inlet	CLEAR
Alternator Belt	SECURE
Propeller	CHECK CONDITION (nicks, security)
Spinner	CHECK CONDITION (nicks, security)
Nosewheel Strut	PROPERLY INFLATED
Nose wheel Tire	INSPECT (cuts, bruises, inflation)
Static Port	CLEAR
Carburetor Air Filter	CHECK (restrictions by dust or foreign matter)

## LEFT WING

Air Inlet	CLEAR
Fuel Tank/Qty/Cap	CHECK
Pitot Tube Cover	REMOVE
Pitot Tube	INSPECT Opening for Stoppage
Fuel Tank Vent	CHECK, CLEAR
Stall Warning	CHECK, Tab Freedom of Operation
Lights	Free of Damage
Aileron	CHECK, hinges & weights
Flap	CHECK, hinges
Fuel Sump	DRAIN (2 oz sample, water/contmnt)
LEFT Main Wheel	INSPECT (cuts, bruises, inflation)
Brake Assembly	INSPECT
Tie Down	DISCONNECT

# OPERATING CHECK LIST

This section lists, in Pilot's Check List form, the steps necessary to operate your Cessna 172 efficiently and safety. 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 would want to or should know concerning the information you need for a typical flight.

The flight and operational characteristics of the Cessna 172 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 of the airplane. All airspeeds mentioned in Sections II and III are indicated airspeeds. Corresponding true indicated airspeeds may be obtained from the Airspeed Correction Table in Section VI in the Owner's Manual.

## V-Speeds

<b>Vr.....</b>	<b>60 mph</b>	<b>53 kts</b>
<b>Vy.....</b>	<b>75-78 mph</b>	<b>68 kts</b>
<b>Vx.....</b>	<b>56-67 mph</b>	<b>48-58 kts</b>
<b>Vso.....</b>	<b>55 mph</b>	<b>48 kts</b>
<b>Vs1.....</b>	<b>60 mph</b>	<b>52 kts</b>
<b>Vfe.....</b>	<b>100 mph</b>	<b>87 kts</b>
<b>Vne.....</b>	<b>160 mph</b>	<b>139 kts</b>
<b>Vno.....</b>	<b>140 mph</b>	<b>121 kts</b>
<b>Va.....</b>	<b>115 mph</b>	<b>100 kts</b>

## **BEFORE ENTERING THE AIRPLANE**

1. Make an exterior inspection in accordance with Figure 1-1

## **BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE**

1. Passenger Brief – Complete
2. Seats and Seat Belts/Shoulder Harnesses – Adjust and lock.
3. Fuel Selector - Both
4. Flight Controls – Check
5. Brakes – Test and Set
6. Trim Tab – Set for Take Off
7. Circuit Breakers – Check In
8. Electrical Equipment – Off
9. Beacon – On
10. Avionics Master – Off
11. Aux Fuel Pump - OFF

## **STARTING ENGINE**

1. Carburetor Heat – Cold
2. Mixture – Rich
3. Prop – High RPM
4. Primer – As Required
5. Master Switch – On
6. Fuel Aux Pump On – till fuel pressure in green
7. Fuel Aux Pump - Off

8. Ignition Switch – Both
9. Throttle – Open 1/8" (to idle position)
10. Prop Area – CLEAR
11. Starter – Engage
12. RPM – 800 to 1000
13. OIL Pressure – Check
14. Ammeter – Check
15. Aux Fuel Pump – OFF
16. Flaps – 0 Degrees
17. Mixture – Set for Taxi
18. Avionics Power – On
19. Transponder – STBY
20. Lights – As Required

## **TAXI**

1. Brakes – Check
2. Controls – Free & Correct
3. Flight Instruments – Check

## **BEFORE TAKE-OFF**

1. Parking Break – SET
2. Alt Static Air – Check
3. Engine Instruments – Check
4. Throttle – 1700 RPM
5. Mixture – Set
6. Propeller – Cycle 3 Times
7. Magnetos – 150 Max RPM Drop  
Max Difference 50 RPM

8. Ammeter – Check
9. Engine Instrument – Check
10. Suction – 5.0 +/- .5"
11. Flight Instruments – Check & Set
12. Throttle – 1000 RPM
13. Fuel Selector – Both
14. Elevator Trim – Set for Take Off
15. Comm/Nav – Set
16. Transponder – ALT
17. Wing Flaps – 0 or 10 degrees
18. Flight Controls and Seat Latching – ReCheck
19. Cabin Doors/Windows – Closed and Locked
20. Parking Brake – Release

## **TAKE-OFF**

1. Take-Off Time: Record
2. Wind - Check
3. Fuel Pump – ON
4. Flaps – 0 Degrees
5. Carburetor Heat- Cold
6. Power – Full Throttle
7. Elevator Control – Lift nosewheel at 60 mph
8. Climb Speed – 80 mph

## **MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE TAKE-OFF**

1. Fuel Pump – ON
2. Flaps – 10 Degrees
3. Carb Heat – Cold
4. Brakes - APPLY
5. Power – Full Throttle
6. Brakes – RELEASE
7. Elevator Control – Slightly tail low
8. Rotate – 55 mph
9. Flaps – Retract Slowly (after clear obstacles)
10. Climb Speed – 60 mph

## **NORMAL CLIMB**

1. Airspeed – 80 to 90 mph
2. Flaps – 0 Degrees
3. Power – Full Throttle (25 Inches HG)
4. Propeller – 2500 RPM
5. Aux Fuel Pump – OFF
6. Mixture – Full Rich (unless engine is rough)

## **MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE CLIMB**

1. Airspeed – 78 mph at sea level to  
75 mph at 10,000 ft
2. Power – Full Throttle (25 Inches HG)
3. Propeller – 2500 RPM
4. Aux Fuel Pump – OFF
5. Mixture – Full Rich (unless engine is rough)



## CRUISE

### Service Ceiling: 19,500 Feet

1. **Power:** 2250-2700 RPM; See Fuel and Power Chart Below
2. Pitch – Level
3. Elevator Trim – Set
4. Mixture: Lean to Peak EGT Plus 50-75°
5. Fuel Pump: Off, Unless Required to Maintain Pressure

### AVCON FUEL AND POWER CHART—LYCOMING O-360

P/Alt.	Std. Temp.	100HP/55% @ 7.8 GPH	117HP/65% @ 9.0 GPH	135HP/75% @10.6 GPH
Sea Lvl.	59 F	2300/19.8" 2400/19.3"	2300/22.1" 2400/21.5"	2300/24.5" 2400/23.9"
2000 Ft.	52 F	2300/19.3" 2400/18.8"	2300/21.6" 2400/21.0"	2300/24.0" 2400/23.4"
4000 Ft.	45 F	2300/18.9" 2400/18.4"	2300/21.1" 2400/20.6"	2300/23.5" 2400/22.9"
6000 Ft.	38 F	2300/18.4" 2400/18.0"	2300/20.6" 2400/20.1"	2300/23.0" 2400/22.5"
8000 Ft.	31 F	2300/18.0" 2400/17.6"	2300/20.2" 2400/19.7"	2400 RPM & Full Throttle
10k Ft.	23 F	2300/17.6" 2400/17.2"	2300/19.8" 2400/19.3"	
12k Ft.	16 F	2300/17.2" 2400/16.8"	2400 RPM & Full Throttle	

To maintain constant power, correct manifold pressure (MP) approx. 0.17" Hg for each 10° F Variation in carburetor air temperature from standard altitude temperature. Add MP for air temperatures above standard; subtract for temperatures below standard.

## **DESCENT APPCH**

1. Fuel Selector – Both
2. Power – Reduce Manifold Pressure 1” Per 3 Minute(s)
3. Approach – Review
4. Radios/Nav – Set
5. Lights – As Required
6. Mixture – Enrich as Required

## **BEFORE LANDING**

1. Fuel Selector – Both
2. Mixture – Rich
3. Airspeed – 70 to 80 mph (flaps up)
4. Aux Fuel Pump - ON
5. Carb Heat – COLD (If Icing Conditions are suspected, the “Full HEAT” Should be applied. Under these conditions, for an Aborted landing, the carb heat should be returned to “FULL COLD”)
6. Flaps – As Desired (below 100 mph)
7. Airspeed – 65 to 75 (flaps down)
8. Elevator Trim – Adjust

## **NORMAL LANDING**

1. Touchdown – Main wheels first
2. Landing Roll – Lower nosewheel gently
3. Flaps - UP
4. Braking – Minimum Required
5. Taxi free of runway when safely able
6. Transponder – STBY

## **SHUT DOWN/SECURE**

1. Brakes – APPLY
2. Taxi Lights – Off
3. Avionics Master – Off
4. Throttle – 800 to 1000 RPM
5. Propeller – High RPM
6. Mixture – Full Lean (idle cut-off)
7. Ignition Switch – OFF
8. Master Switch – OFF
9. Outside Air Temperature (OAT) Gauge - OFF
10. Time – RECORD
11. Insert Control Lock, Pitot Tube Cover and Attach Aircraft Tie-Downs

# EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

## Modified FUEL Management - Power Recovery Techniques

### 1. OPERATION ON A SINGLE TANK

Should power irregularities occur when operating on a single tank, power can be restored immediately by switching to the opposite tank. In addition, the vapor accumulation in the tank on which the power irregularity occurred will rapidly dissipate itself such that the tank will also be available for normal operation after it has been unused for approximately one (1) minute

### 2. OPERATION ON BOTH TANKS

Should power irregularities occur with the fuel selector on both tanks, the following steps are to be taken to restore power:

- a. Switch to a single tank for a period of 60 seconds
- b. Then Switch to the opposite tank and power will be restored

## **ENGINE FIRE DURING START**

- a. Starter – Continue Cranking (try for start, if you get a start run at 1700 rpm for a couple minutes, shut down, inspect)
- b. Mixture – Idle Cutoff
- c. Throttle – OPEN
- d. Aux Fuel Pump – OFF
- e. Evacuate

## **ENGINE FAILURE DURING TAKE-OFF (climb)**

- a. Airspeed – 70 mph
- b. Aux Fuel Pump – ON (if power isn't restored after a few Seconds, Pump OFF)
- c. Fuel Selector – OFF
- d. Flaps – As Required
- e. Mixture – IDLE CUTOFF
- f. Ignition Switch – OFF
- g. Master Switch – OFF
- h. Land – FLY THE PLANE!

## **ENGINE FAILURE INFLIGHT**

- a. Airspeed – 70 mph
- b. Fuel Selector – BOTH
- c. Mixture – RICH
- d. Throttle – FULL
- e. Aux Fuel Pump – ON
- f. Engine Gauges – CHECK

- g. Ignition Switch – CYCLE
- h. Primer – LOCKED

### **POWER OFF LANDING**

- a. Airspeed – 70 mph
- b. Locate Suitable Field - Check
- c. SQUAWK – 7700
- d. Transmit MAYDAY- 121.5 or nearby ATC Facility
- e. Mixture – Idle Cutoff
- f. Ignition Switch – OFF
- g. Aux Fuel Pump – OFF
- h. Fuel Selector – OFF
- i. Passengers – BRIEF
- j. Belts & Harnesses - SECURE
- k. Doors – OPEN
- l. Flaps – As Required (Committed to Landing)
- m. Master Switch – OFF

### **FUEL PRESSURE LOSS**

- a. Fuel Selector – BOTH
- b. Mixture – RICH
- c. Aux Fuel Pump – On
- d. Throttle – Full

### **LOSS OF OIL PRESSURE**

- a. Power – Reduce
- b. Mixture – RICH
- c. Land as soon as Practical (Prepare for Power Off Landing)

## **HIGH CHT/OIL TEMP**

- a. Power – Reduce
- b. Mixture – RICH
- c. Airspeed – INCREASE
- d. OIL Pressure – CHECK
- e. IF Oil Temp Continues Rising – Land as Soon as Practical

## **ENGINE ROUGHNESS**

- a. Fuel Selector – BOTH
- b. Mixture – ADJUST
- c. Ignition Switch – CYCLE
- d. Primer – LOCKED
- e. Aux Fuel Pump – ON
- f. Throttle – FULL
- g. Engine Gauges – CHECK
- h. If Roughness Continues – Prepare for Power Off Landing

## **ELECTRICAL FAILURE**

- a. Ammeter – Check (if shows negative)
- b. ALT Switch – OFF
- c. Electrical Equipment – Reduce Load
- d. ALT Circuit Breaker – CHECK
- e. ALT Switch – ON (if power is not restored)
- f. ALT Switch – OFF
- g. Land as Soon as Practical

## **WING FIRE**

- a. Nav Lights – OFF
- b. Pitot Heat – OFF
- c. Strobe Lights – OFF
- d. ALL Wing Lights – OFF
- e. Perform Side Slip to keep flames away from fuel tank
- f. Land as Soon as Practical

## **CABIN FIRE INFLIGHT**

- a. Vents – CLOSED
- b. Extinguish as Necessary
- c. Vents – OPEN (Clear Cabin)
- d. Land as Soon as Possible