

4.4 PRE-FLIGHT INSPECTION

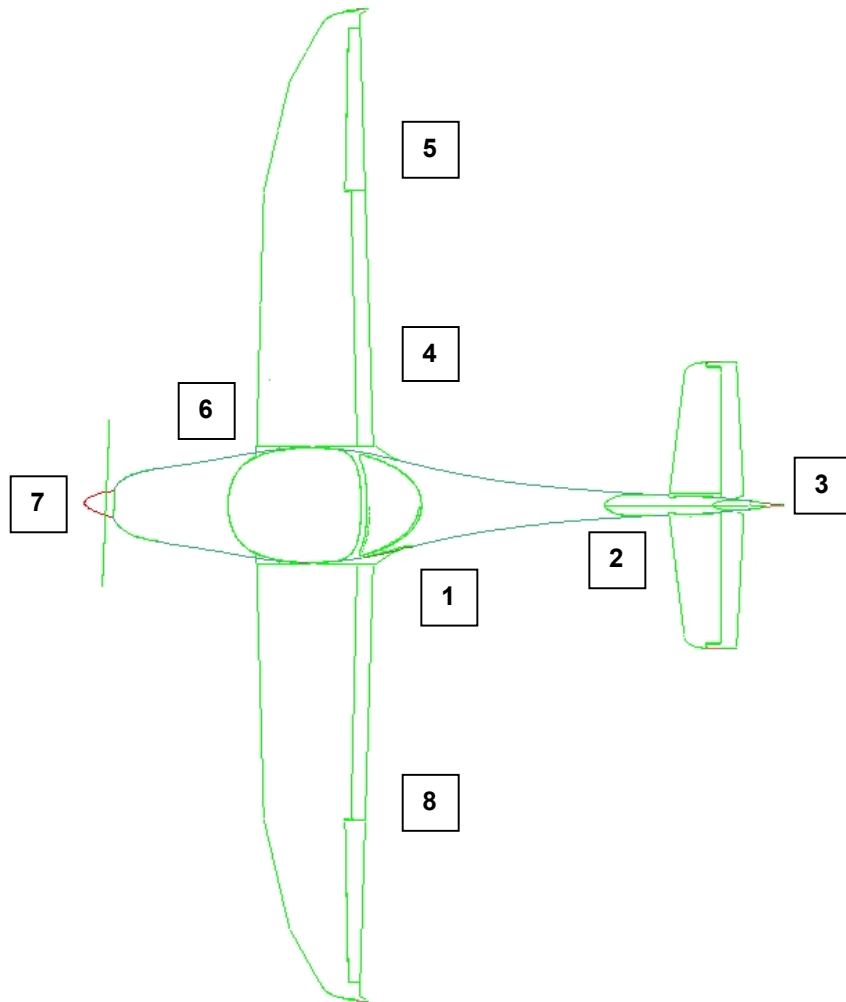
4.4.1 Daily Pre-flight Check

A) CABIN

1. Papers CHECK on board
2. Ignition key REMOVED
3. BAT Switch ON
4. Warning lights (alternator, fuel pressure) ALIGHT
5. Engine instruments CHECK
6. Fuel quantity CHECK
7. External lights CHECK for proper operation
8. BAT switch OFF
9. Foreign objects CHECK and REMOVE
10. ELT CHECK
11. Baggage STOWED and SECURED
12. Canopy CHECK for damage and cleanliness

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B) EXTERIOR CHECK, Visual Inspection



CAUTION

In this manual, visual inspection means the following:
 Inspection for mechanical damage, dirt, cracks, delamination, excessive play,
 looseness, leakages, incorrect attachment, foreign objects and general condition.
 Control surfaces: additional functional check for free movement.

1. Left main landing gear

- a) Landing gear strut
- b) Wheel fairing

Visual inspection
 Visual inspection

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- c) Tire pressure CHECK
- d) Tire slip marking CHECK
- e) Tire, wheel, brake Visual inspection
- f) Brake chocks REMOVE

2. Tail boom

- a) Tail boom shell Visual inspection
- b) Skid plate Visual inspection
- c) Tail tie-down DISCONNECT

3. Empennage

- a) Elevator Visual inspection
- b) Horizontal stabilizer Visual inspection
- c) Rudder Visual inspection,
CHECK: fitting and bolt
connection, proper control cable
connection and screw locking.
- d) Vertical stabilizer Visual inspection

4. Right main landing gear

- a) Landing gear strut Visual inspection
- b) Wheel Fairing Visual inspection
- c) Tire pressure CHECK
- d) Tire slip marking CHECK
- e) Tire, wheel, brake Visual inspection
- f) Brake chocks REMOVE

5. Right wing

- a) Entire wing surface Visual inspection
- b) Fuel vent CHECK if clear
- c) Flap Visual inspection
- d) Aileron and inspection window Visual inspection
- e) Wing tip, NAV-lights and ACL Visual inspection
- f) Fuel level CHECK with dipstick and verify
with the indicated fuel
level in the cockpit
- g) Fuel tank filler cap CHECK if closed
- h) Fuel tank drain valve DRAIN, check for water
and deposits
- i) Wing tie-down DISCONNECT

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6. Nose section, cowling

WARNING

Before cranking the propeller: Switch OFF the battery and ignition circuits, activate parking brake.

WARNING

Risk of burning and scalding

Carry out pre-flight checks on the cold engine only !

a) Check oil level

Prior to the oil check, turn the propeller several times in the direction of engine rotation to pump oil from the engine back into the oil tank.

This process is completed when air returns to the oil tank and is indicated by a rustling from the open oil tank. Now check oil level which should be between the min. and max. markings of the oil but must never be below the min. marking. Volume difference between the min. and max. markings is 0.45 liter.

NOTE

The oil specification in paragraph 1.9.1 must be observed !

b) Check coolant level

Verify coolant level in the **expansion tank**, replenish as required.
The expansion tank should be at least 2/3 full.

Verify coolant level in the **overflow bottle**, replenish as required.
The coolant level must be between the min. and max. markings on the overflow bottle.

NOTE

The coolant specification in paragraph 1.9.2 must be observed !

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- c) Air intakes (4 NACA intakes) CHECK if clear
 - d) Radiator / oil cooler intake CHECK if free from obstructions
 - e) Cowling Visual Inspection
 - f) Propeller CHECK Camloc fasteners
 - g) Propeller blades Visual inspection
 - h) Spinner dome CHECK for cracks and other damage
 - i) Electr. fuel pump drain valve Visual inspection
- DRAIN, check for water and deposits

7. Nose landing gear

- a) Nose gear strut Visual inspection
- b) Wheel fairing Visual inspection
- c) Tire pressure CHECK
- d) Tire slip marking CHECK
- e) Tire, wheel Visual inspection
- f) Shock absorber unit Visual inspection
- g) Brake chocks and tow bar REMOVE

8. Left wing

- a) Entire wing surface Visual inspection
- b) Fuel vent CHECK if clear
- c) Battery ON
- d) Stall warning system Carefully move the small plate on the transmitter upwards until the stall warning is audible
- e) Battery OFF
- f) Pitot / static head REMOVE cover, CHECK if all holes are clear
- g) Wing tip, NAV-lights and ACL Visual inspection
- h) Aileron and inspection plates Visual inspection
- i) Fuel level CHECK with dipstick and verify with the indicated fuel level in the cockpit
- j) Fuel tank drain valve DRAIN, check for water and deposits
- k) Fuel tank filler cap CHECK if closed
- l) Flap Visual inspection
- m) Wing tie-down DISCONNECT

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4.4.2 Check Before Every Flight

NOTE

The fuel level dipstick for checking the fuel tank level is stored on the inner side of the baggage compartment door.

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| 1. | Daily pre-flight inspection | Completed |
| 2. | Tow bar | CHECK if removed. |
| 3. | Fuel quantity | CHECK with fuel level dipstick and verify with indicated fuel level in the cockpit. |

NOTE

ONLY for aircrafts equipped with capacitive fuel probes and Westach Dual Fuel Gauge 2DA4V (see equipment list):

If AVGAS 100LL or mixtures of different grades of fuel are filled into the tanks, a lower amount of fuel than is actually in the tank will be indicated.

This situation must be kept in mind during the flight.

WARNING

Before cranking the propeller: Switch OFF the battery and ignition circuits, activate parking brake.

WARNING

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| 4. Check oil level | Prior to the oil check, turn the propeller several times in the <u>direction of engine rotation</u> to pump oil from the engine back into the oil tank. |
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This process is completed when air returns to the oil tank and is indicated by a rustling from the open oil tank. Now check oil level which should be between the min. and max. markings of the oil but must never be below the min. marking. Volume difference between the min. and max. markings is 0.45 liter.

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NOTE

The oil specification in paragraph 1.9.1 has to be observed !

5. Check coolant level

Verify coolant level in the **overflow bottle**, replenish as required.
The coolant level must be between the min. and max. markings on the overflow bottle.

NOTE

The coolant specification in paragraph 1.9.2 has to be observed !

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| 6. | Tie-down straps | removed. |
| 7. | Baggage door | CHECK if closed |
| 8. | Pitot cover | CHECK if removed. |
| 9. | Flight controls | CHECK for proper operation |
| 10. | Carburetor heat | CHECK for free movement,
then set to the OFF-Position |
| 11. | Cabin heat | CHECK for free movement,
then set to the OFF-Position |
| 12. | Choke | CHECK for free movement,
CHECK if self-resetting (move throttle) |
| 13. | Throttle | CHECK for free movement,
then set to the IDLE-Position |
| 14. | Propeller control lever | CHECK for free movement,
then set to the HIGH-RPM position |
| 15. | Trim system (indication and function) | CHECK, set full "nose-down" and
"nose-up" positions |
| 16. | Flaps (pos. indication and function) | CHECK, extend fully and then retract |

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4.5 CHECKLISTS FOR NORMAL PROCEDURES

4.5.1 Before Engine Start-up

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| 1. | Daily pre-flight check | COMPLETED |
| 2. | Passenger briefing | COMPLETED |
| 3. | Seats | ADJUST as required |
| 4. | Seat belts and harnesses | FASTENED and TIGHTENED |
| 5. | Canopy | CLOSED and LOCKED
CHECK if vibrations cause the
canopy lock to release |
| 6. | Parking brake | SET |
| 7. | Control stick | CHECK for free movement and
correct control surface deflections |
| 8. | Fuel selector valve | SWITCH to fullest tank |
| 9. | Carburetor heat | OFF |
| 10. | Throttle | IDLE |
| 11. | Propeller control lever | HIGH-RPM position |
| 12. | AVIONICS switch | OFF |
| 13. | ALT/BAT switch | ON |
| 14. | Generator warning light | ILLUMINATES |
| 15. | Fuel pressure warning light | ILLUMINATES |
| 16. | Anti-collision light | ON |
| 17. | Circuit breakers | CHECK if all pushed in |

4.5.2 Engine Start-up

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| 1. | Electrical fuel pump | ON |
| 2. | Fuel pressure warning light | Does not illuminate |
| 3. | Throttle | IDLE
- cold engine
- hot engine
2 cm OPENED |
| 4. | Choke | PULL
- cold engine
- hot engine
OFF |
| 5. | Brakes | SET |
| 6. | Propeller area | CHECK if clear |
| 7. | Ignition switch | START |
| 8. | Oil pressure gauge | CHECK, oil pressure should build
up into the green arc range within
10 seconds. |

CAUTION

If the oil pressure does not reach at least 1.5 bar within 10 seconds after engine start-up, immediately shut down the engine !

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NOTE

The oil pressure may rise into the YELLOW ARC RANGE as long as the oil temperature is below the normal operating temperature.

NOTE

If the engine does not start within 10 seconds, disengage the starter and try again after a cooling down phase of at least 2 minutes. DO NOT continuously operate the starter motor over a period of more than 10 seconds.

NOTE

For a successful engine start-up, the propeller speed must reach at least 100 RPM. This should be considered when having engine start-up problems during cold weather operations or with a partially discharged battery.

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| 9. | Alternator warning light | OFF |
| 10. | NAV -lights | AS REQUIRED |
| 11. | Electrical fuel pump | OFF |

4.5.3 Before Taxiing

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| 1. | AVIONICS switch | ON |
| 2. | Avionics and flight instruments | SET UP |
| 3. | Engine instruments | CHECK |
| 4. | Voltmeter | CHECK if needle is within the green range |

CAUTION

Warm up the engine for approx. 2 min at 820 RPM and then at 1030 RPM until the oil temperature reaches 50°C (latter can be done during taxiing).

4.5.4 Taxiing

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| 1. | Parking brake | RELEASE |
| 2. | Nose wheel steering | CHECK function and for free movement |
| 3. | Brakes | CHECK |
| 4. | Flight instruments and avionics | CHECK |
| 5. | Compass reading/gyro instruments | CHECK |

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CAUTION

Do not operate the engine at high RPM when taxiing to prevent stone chipping or other damage by foreign objects or splashed water.

4.5.5 Before Take-off (at the Taxi Holding Position)

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| 1. | Brakes | APPLY |
| 2. | Parking brake | SET |
| 3. | Fuel selector valve | SWITCH to fullest tank |
| 4. | Fuel pressure warning light | OFF (<u>otherwise abort flight</u>) |
| 5. | Throttle | SET 1700 RPM. |
| 6. | Propeller control lever | SWITCH 3 times b/w HIGH- and LOW-RPM positions (end stops)
CHECK RPM drop: 200±50 RPM.
<u>Thereafter:</u> SET HIGH-RPM pos.
SET 1700 RPM. |
| 7. | Throttle | Magneto check: SWITCH through: "L-BOTH-R-BOTH" – positions.
CHECK RPM-drop (max. RPM-drop: 120; max. difference L/R: 50, min. difference: the drop must be noticeable).
<u>Thereafter:</u> SWITCH to BOTH. |
| 8. | Ignition switch | ON
RPM-drop: 20 to 50 RPM |
| 9. | Carburetor heat | OFF |
| 10. | Carburetor heat | IDLE |
| 11. | Throttle | ON |
| 12. | Electrical fuel pump | TAKE-OFF position |
| 13. | Flaps | TAKE-OFF position |
| 14. | Trim | CHECK if within the green range |
| 15. | Engine instruments | CHECK if all pushed in |
| 16. | Circuit breakers | CHECK for free movement |
| 17. | Control stick | FASTENED and TIGHTENED |
| 18. | Seat belts and harnesses | CLOSED and LOCKED |
| 19. | Canopy | CHECK if vibrations cause the canopy lock to release |
| 20. | Parking brake | RELEASE |

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4.5.6 Take-off

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| 1. | Throttle | FULL OPEN |
| 2. | Tachometer | CHECK if within 2200-2260 RPM |
| 3. | Elevator control | NEUTRAL at initial ground roll |
| 4. | Rudder pedals | HOLD direction |
| 5. | Lift nose wheel | 50 KIAS |
| 6. | Climb speed | 65 KIAS |

CAUTION

For the shortest take-off distance over a 50-foot obstacle:

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| 7. | Lift nose wheel | 50 KIAS |
| 8. | Climb speed | 57 KIAS |

4.5.7 Climb

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| 1. | Propeller control lever | SET 2260 RPM |
| 2. | Throttle | OPEN |
| 3. | Engine instruments | CHECK |
| 4. | Flaps | CRUISE position |
| 5. | Climb | at 65 KIAS |
| 6. | Electrical fuel pump | OFF |
| 7. | Trim | SET as required |

NOTE

The best rate-of-climb speed V_Y is a function of the operating mass and decreases with increasing altitude. For more information, refer to Section 5.2.6.

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4.5.8 Cruise

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| 1. | Throttle | AS REQUIRED (Ref. to Section 5) |
| 2. | Propeller control lever | SET between 1650 and 2260 RPM |

NOTE

For favorable manifold pressure/propeller speed combinations: Refer to Section 5.

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| 3. | Flaps | CRUISE position |
| 4. | Trim | AS REQUIRED |
| 5. | Engine instruments | CHECK |

CAUTION

In flights above pressure altitudes of 6000 ft, the fuel pressure warning light must be monitored. If the fuel pressure warning light goes on, the electrical fuel pump must be switched ON to prevent fuel vapor formation in the fuel system.

4.5.9 Descent

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| 1. | Throttle | AS REQUIRED |
| 2. | Propeller control lever | SET between 1800 and 2200 RPM |
| 3. | Carburetor heat | AS REQUIRED |

CAUTION

For a rapid descent proceed as follows:

Propeller control lever	SET 2260 RPM
Throttle	IDLE
Carburetor heat	ON
Flaps	CRUISE position
Airspeed	130 KIAS
Oil/cylinder head temperature	CHECK

4.5.10 Landing

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| 1. | Seat belts and harnesses | CHECK if TIGHT |
| 2. | Electrical fuel pump | ON |
| 3. | Carburetor heat | ON |
| 4. | Throttle | AS REQUIRED |
| 5. | Airspeed | 90 KIAS |
| 6. | Flaps | TAKE-OFF or LANDING position |

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| 7. | Trim | AS REQUIRED |
| 8. | Flaps | LANDING position |
| 9. | Approach speed | 60 KIAS |
| 10. | Propeller control lever | HIGH-RPM position |
| 11. | Landing light | ON (as required) |

CAUTION

The approach speed has to be adapted to the actual environmental conditions. With strong head or crosswinds, in turbulent air or in wind shear, it may be desirable to approach at higher than normal speeds.

4.5.11 Balked Landing

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| 1. | Throttle | OPEN |
| 2. | Propeller control lever | HIGH-RPM position |
| 3. | Carburetor heat | OFF |
| 4. | Flaps | TAKE-OFF position |
| 5. | Airspeed | 65 KIAS |

4.5.12 After Landing

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|----|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. | Throttle | IDLE |
| 2. | Flaps | CRUISE position |
| 3. | Carburetor heat | OFF |
| 4. | Electrical fuel pump | OFF |
| 5. | Transponder | OFF |
| 6. | Landing light | OFF |

4.5.13 Engine Shut-down

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|-----|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. | Throttle | IDLE |
| 2. | Parking brake | SET |
| 3. | Flaps | LANDING position |
| 4. | ELT | CHECK on frequency 121.5 MHz |
| 5. | AVIONICS switch | OFF |
| 6. | Ignition switch | OFF |
| 7. | Electrical equipment | OFF |
| 8. | Instrument light | OFF |
| 9. | BAT switch | OFF |
| 10. | Brake chocks and tie-downs | AS REQUIRED |

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