

Pre-flight checklists



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Are YOU ready to fly?

- Are your recent experience requirements, check flights and licence all current?
- Are you current on type?
- Is your medical valid?
- Special skills? (e.g grass strip, short field, crosswind, confined area)
- Emergency procedure skills up-to-date? (e.g. PFL, stall awareness, LTE, vortex ring)
- Charts and VFR guides up-to-date?
- Are you fit to fly?
- Flight planning completed using latest weather (fuel, weight & balance and performance calculated and adequate)?
- Checked NOTAMS and last minute warnings?
- Risk of carburettor or other icing assessed?
- Passengers prepared and briefed?
- Have you considered what to do if the weather deteriorates?

If you have any doubts about your current skills, do some more training.

Is YOUR AIRCRAFT ready to fly?

- Aircraft document details up-to-date?
- Battery condition and charge?
- Landing gear – what condition are your tyres, pressures and brakes?
- Intake ducts and other vents – have you checked these are all clear?
- Fuel – check for contamination and confirm contents (visually if possible)
- Engine performance – do your pre-flight power checks fully meet the flight manual limits?
- Safety equipment checked and stowed? (first aid and survival kits, lifejackets, passenger briefing cards, ELT/PLB and fire extinguisher and torch serviceability)

If you have any doubts about your aircraft's airworthiness, consult your engineer.

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