ATLANTA FLYING GLUB



Piper Archer PA-28-181

Normal and Emergency Checklists

SPEED REFERENCE

VNE	154	KIAS
Vno	125	KIAS
Vso	45	KIAS
Vs1	50	KIAS
V_R	60	KIAS
Vr SHORT FIELD	55	KIAS
Vx	64	KIAS
VY	76	KIAS
VA	113	KIAS
VFE	102	KIAS
BEST GLIDE	76	KIAS

ATC LIGHT GUN SIGNALS

Color & Type	On the Ground	In Flight
Steady Green	Cleared for takeoff	Cleared to land
Flashing Green	Cleared to taxi	Return for landing
Steady Red	STOP	Give way, continue circling
Flashing Red	Taxi clear of the runway	Airport unsafe, do not land
Flashing White	Return to starting point	N/A
Alt. Red / Green	Exercise extreme caution	Exercise extreme caution

PREFLIGHT INSPECTION - COCKPIT

Required Documents

AVAILABLE

Airworthiness Certificate

Registration

Radio License (int'l)

Operating Reference (POH)

Weight & Balance

Maintenance StatusCHECKEDHobbs & Tach MetersCHECKEDControl LockREMOVED

Avionics Master OFF

Circuit Breakers CHECK IN
Propeller Area CLEAR
Ignition Switch OFF
BATT Master ON

Fuel Quantity CHECKED

Annunciator Panel PUSH TO TEST

Pitot Heat CHECK

Flaps EXTEND FULL

All Lights ON & CHECK

All Lights (except beacon) OFF BATT Master OFF

PREFLIGHT INSPECTION – EXTERNAL

RIGHT WING

Flap & Aileron CHECKED
Wing Tip & Leading Edge CHECKED
Tie Down REMOVED
Fuel Level CHECKED
Fuel Cap SECURED
Fuel Strainer CHECKED
Strut, Tire and Brake CHECKED

NOSE

Engine Cooling Air Inlets CHECKED
Propeller & Spinner CHECKED
Air Filter CLEAR

Nose Wheel & Strut	CHECKED
Engine Oil	6-8 QTS
Windshield	CHECKED

LEFT WING

Leading Edge & Wing Tip	CHECKED
Fuel Level	CHECKED
Fuel Cap	SECURED
Fuel Strainer	CHECKED
Stall Warning Opening	CLEAR
Pitot Mast Cover	REMOVED
Pitot Mast / Static Port	CHECKED
Tie Down	REMOVED
Aileron and Flap	CHECKED
Strut, Tire and Brake	CHECKED

EMPENNAGE

Tie Down	REMOVED
Stabilator & Trim Tab	CHECKED
Baggage Door	CLOSED

BEFORE STARTING ENGINE

Preflight Inspection	COMPLETE
Seat Position	ADJUST
Seatbelts	SECURED
Doors	CLOSED
Passengers	BRIFF

- 1) Seatbelts / shoulder harnesses
- 2) Personal electronic devices off
- 3) Air vents / comfort
- 4) Fire extinguisher location / operation
- 5) Door operation
- 6) Emergency procedures & egress

Parking Brake	PULL ON	
Flaps	UP	
Mixture	CUT OFF	
Throttle	IDLE	

STARTING ENGINE

Fuel Tank Selector L or R TANK

Propeller Area CLEAR
BATT Master ON
FIN Strobe ON

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NORMAL START

Mixture FULL RICH

Throttle 1/4" OPEN

Fuel Pump ON Ignition Switch START

ALT Switch ON

Throttle 800-1000RPM

Oil Pressure CHECKED Fuel Pump OFF

Mixture LEAN

FLOODED START

Throttle FULL FORWARD

Master Switch ON
ALT Switch ON
Fuel Pump OFF
Mixture CUT OF

Mixture CUT OFF Ignition Switch START

Mixture ADVANCE RICH

Throttle RETARD
Oil Pressure CHECK
Fuel Pump OFF
Mixture LEAN

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BEFORE TAXI

Electrical System VERIFY AMPS/VOLTS

Avionics Master ON

Engine Gauges CHECK GREEN GPS Database VERIFY DATE

Fuel Quantity CHECK

Radios SET & CHECK

FMS & Weather SETUP / OBTAIN

Altimeter SET

Transponder CHECK ALT

Flight Instruments CHECK & BRIEF

1) Airspeed, ZERO

Attitude Indicator, IN-LINE WITH HORIZON
 Altimeter, WITHIN 75FT OF FIELD ELEVATION
 Turn coordinator, LEVEL AND BALL CENTERED

5) Vertical speed indicator, ZERO

6) Heading indicator, CHECKED WITH COMPASS

Taxi Clearance OBTAIN IF REQUIRED

Taxi Light ON NAV Light ON

Parking Brake RELEASED
Taxi Area CLEAR
Brakes TEST

BEFORE TAKEOFF (RUN UP)

Parking Brake SET

Cabin Doors & Windows CLOSED
Seatbelts SECURED

Elevator Trim SET TO TAKEOFF

Flight Controls FREE & CORRECT

Fuel Pump ON

Mixture RICH

Throttle 2000 RPM

Magneto Check R-BOTH-L-BOTH
Max RPM drop of 175, max difference between R / L is 50

Vacuum CHECK

Engine Indicators CHECK GREEN

Ammeters and Voltmeters CHECK
Carb Heat CHECK
Fuel Pump OFF

Fuel Pressure CHECK

Throttle CHECK IDLE 800RPM

Clearance OBTAIN IF REQUIRED FMS / GPS Flight Plan CHECK & SET

Altitude Select SET Heading SET

Transponder VFR or CODE

Departure Briefing	COMPLETE
This will be a VFR / IFR departure to	
(Who) will be performing the takeo	ff.
Type of takeoff to be performed, fla	ps set.
Review V speeds (VR, Vx, and Vy/Clir	nb).
Runways in use, planned takeoff rur	nway.
Review takeoff distances, abort if no	ot off by
Review positive exchange of flight c	ontrols.
Review emergency procedures:	

- Any malfunction before VR:
 Idle power, abort straight ahead
- Any malfunction after VR with runway: Abort / land straight ahead
- Engine malfunction after VR without runway and below 500ft AGL: Select suitable landing area ahead, fuel

off, mixture cut off, master off, mags off,

release door latch.
4) Engine malfunction above 500ft AGL:
Best glide airspeed of 76 KIAS, select
landing area, possible return to airport.

Parking Brake

RELEASED

NORMAL TAKEOFF

Trim SET

Flaps UP / 10° IF REQ'D

Mixture FULL RICH
Doors & Window CLOSED

Landing Light ON
Strobe Lights ON
Fuel Pump ON

Traffic FINAL CLEAR

Departure Runway VERIFY
Throttle FULL
Airspeed Indicator VERIFY

Engine Gauges CHECK GREEN

Rotate VR 60 KIAS Airspeed Vy 76 KIAS

CLIMB - 500FT AGL

Airspeed V_Y 76 KIAS

Flaps UP

Engine Gauges CHECK GREEN

CRUISE	
Fuel Pump	OFF
Taxi Light	OFF
Landing Light	OFF
Throttle	SET
Mixture	LEAN
FMS / GPS	REVIEW

CRUISE POWER SETTINGS

2200RPM – 25" MP – 12.5GPH

2200RPM – 28" MP – 14.5GPH

2300RPM – 30" MP – 16.5GPH

2400RPM - 33" MP - 20.0GPH

PRE-MANEUVER CHECKLIST

Emergency Landing Area CONFIRM
Seatbelts SECURED
Fuel Tank Selector CHANGE

Mixture AS REQUIRED

Landing Light ON Fuel Pump ON

Clearing Turns PERFORM

FUEL TANK CHANGE

Fuel Pump ON

Fuel Tank Selector CHANGE
Fuel Flow CHECK
Fuel Pump OFF

DESCENT

Weather OBTAIN
Seatbelts SECURED
Mixture ADJUST
Altimeter SET
ALT Select SET
Instruments / Radios SET
Approach / Pattern Entry BRIEF

- 1) Approach Name / Airport
- 2) Frequency / Course
- 3) Minimums / Airport and TDZE Elevations
- 4) Missed Procedure / MSA
- 5) Notes
- 6) Highest Obstacle / Terrain Review
- 7) Lighting
- 8) Crosswind Component
- 9) Runway Length Available
- 10) Airport Diagram
- 11) Destination on Field / Taxi Route

BEFORE LANDING

Seatbelts SECURED
Fuel Tank Selector CHANGE
Mixture RICH
Flaps (<110 KIAS) SET 10°
Landing Light ON
Taxi Light ON
Fuel Pump ON

LANDING

Airspeed 75 KIAS
Flaps SET 25°
Airspeed 65 KIAS
Flaps SET 40°

GO AROUND

Throttle FULL
Airspeed 64 KIAS
Flaps SET 25°
Positive Climb Rate
Flaps SET 10°
Above 500 AGL
Flaps UP
Airspeed 76 KIAS

AFTER LANDING

Fuel Pump OFF

Strobe Lights **FIN STROBE**

Taxi Light ON **Landing Lights** OFF **Flaps** UP Mixture **LEAN**

SECURING AIRCRAFT

Parking Brake SET Throttle **IDLE Avionics Master** OFF

Mixture **CUT OFF**

Ignition Switch OFF Master Switch **OFF** Taxi Light OFF **FIN Strobe** OFF

Control Lock

INSTALL Window CLOSED Pitot Mast Cover **INSTALL** Tie Downs **INSTALL Cowl Plugs INSTALL** Flight Plan CLOSED

ENGINE FIRE DURING START

Ignition HOLD START

IF ENGINE STARTS:

Mixture CUT OFF

Throttle FULL FORWARD

Fuel Pump OFF Fuel Tank Selector OFF Ignition OFF

IF ENGINE DOES NOT START:

Ignition HOLD START

Mixture CUT OFF

Throttle FULL FORWARD

Fuel Pump Switch OFF

Ignition Switch RELEASE

Master Switch OFF

Fire Extinguisher OBTAIN

Aircraft EVACUATE Fire EXTINGUISH

ENGINE FAILURE DURING TAKEOFF

Throttle IDLE Brakes APPLY

Mixture CUT OFF

Magneto OFF
MasterSwitch OFF

ENGINE FAILURE AFTER TAKEOFF

Airspeed BEST GLIDE

Flaps Up 76 KIAS

Land STRAIGHT AHEAD

IF SUFFICENT ALTITUDE FOR RESTART:

Mixture CHECK RICH Fuel Pump CHECK ON Fuel Tank Selector CHANGE Magnetos Switches CHECK ON

Flaps AS REQUIRED

Carb Heat ON

Cabin Door UNLATCH

ENGINE FAILURE DURING FLIGHT

Airspeed – Best Glide 76 KIAS Fuel Pump ON

Mixture RICH

Fuel Tank Selector CHANGE

Carb Heat ON

Primer IN & LOCKED

Engine Gauges CHECK

Magneto Switches CHECK ON

Ignition Switch (If Prop Stopped) START

POWER OFF EMERGENCY LANDING

Airspeed

Flaps Up 76 KIAS
Throttle IDLE

Mixture CUT OFF Ignition Switch OFF

Fuel Tank Selector OFF
Radio Call 121.5 MAY DAY

Transponder 7700
Seats & Seat Belts SECURE

Flaps AS REQUIRED

Master Switch OFF

Cabin Door UNLATCHED

ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT

Fuel Tank Selector OFF
Throttle IDLE
Mixture CUT OFF

Fuel Pump OFF
Cabin Heat and Air OFF
Master Switch OFF

Airspeed 100+ KIAS Emergency Landing EXECUTE

CABIN FIRE IN FLIGHT

BATT Master OFF
ALT Switch OFF

Cabin Vents CLOSED
Cabin Heat and Air OFF

Fire Extinguisher ACTIVATE
Cabin VENTILATE

ELECTRICAL FIRE IN FLIGHT

Master Switch OFF
Cabin Vents OPEN
Cabin Heat and Air OFF

Fire Extinguisher ACTIVATE

Radio Switch OFF Electrical Switches OFF

Cabin VENTILATE

IF FIRE IS OUT AND ELECTRICAL IS NEEDED:

Circuit Breakers CHECK

Master Switch ON

Radio Switches OFF

	WING FIRE
Landing Light	OFF
NAV Lights	OFF
Strobe Lights	OFF
Pitot Heat	OFF

Side Slip (fire away) EXECUTE Emergency Landing EXECUTE

ICING

The Piper Archer is not equipped for flight into known icing. If icing is encountered, you should make a level 180° turn to exit.

Pitot Heat ON

Cabin Heat ON FULL
Defroster OPEN
Cabin Air ADJUST
Throttle INCREASE

Stall speed increases with ice buildup, plan approach speed at 75+ KIAS with ice buildup.

Flaps UP

Landing EXECUTE

AMMETER EXCESSIVE CHARGE

Ammeter Full Scale CHECK
ALT Switch OFF
Non-Essential Electrical OFF
Land ASAP

LOSS OF FUEL PRESSURE

Electric Fuel Pump ON

Fuel Selector CHECK / SWITCH

ALTERNATOR FAILURE

Verify Failure CHECK BAT MASTER

Electrical Load REDUCE
Alternator Circuit Breaker CHECK

ALT Switch OFF, THEN ON

Land ASAP

HIGH OIL TEMPERATURE

Land ASAP

Prepare for Power Off Landing

LOSS OF OIL PRESSURE

Land ASAP

Prepare for Power Off Landing

ENGINE ROUGHNESS

Carb Heat ON

If engine roughness continues after 1 minute:

Carb Heat OFF

Mixture ADJUST

Fuel Pump ON

Fuel Selector SWITCH

Engine Gauges CHECK

Magneto Switch "L" then "R"

Magneto Switch BOTH

Prepare for Power Off Landing