



Cessna 172 (N717RC) Checklist

PREFLIGHT

ENGINE START / TAXI

WHEELS UP / FLYING

AFTER LANDING / SHUTDOWN

| Published Speeds | MPH / KIAS |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Vr..... | 60 / 52 |
| Vx..... | 60 / 52 |
| Vy..... | 75 / 65 |
| Vso..... | 45 / 52 |
| Vs1..... | 58 / 50 |
| Best Glide (gross weight)..... | 75 / 65 |
| Va (gross weight)..... | 115 / 100 |

INITIAL

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|----------------------------|------------|
| Hobbs Meter Time..... | Recorded |
| A.R.O.W..... | Checked |
| WX & Density Altitude..... | Complete |
| Weight and Balance..... | Calculated |
| Performance Req..... | Calculated |
| Checklist..... | Complete |

PREFLIGHT INSPECTION

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|------------------------------|--------------|
| Fuel Selector..... | BOTH |
| Control Lock..... | Removed |
| Magnetos..... | OFF |
| Master Battery Switch..... | ON |
| Fuel Gauges..... | Checked |
| Exterior/Cockpit Lights..... | Checked/Off |
| Stall Warning Horn..... | Checked |
| Flaps..... | DOWN |
| Master Battery Switch..... | OFF |
| Circuit Breakers..... | In/Checked |
| Mixture..... | IDLE CUT OFF |
| Checklist..... | Complete |

PREFLIGHT INSPECTION CONTINUED

LEFT WING

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Air Inlet..... | Clear |
| Tire/Brakes..... | Checked |
| Fuel Tank Sump..... | Drained/Checked |
| Visually Check Fuel Level..... | Full Tank |
| Pitot Tube..... | Clear of Obstructions |
| Fuel Vent..... | Clear of Obstructions |
| Tie Down..... | Removed |
| Wing Tip..... | Checked |
| Aileron..... | Move in direction of travel |
| Flap..... | Checked |

FUSELAGE

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|-------------------------------|---------|
| Antennas..... | Checked |
| Empennage..... | Checked |
| Rudder Gust Lock..... | Removed |
| Tie Down..... | Removed |
| Elevator/Rudder/Trim tab..... | Checked |

RIGHT WING

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Flap..... | Checked |
| Aileron..... | Checked |
| Wing Tip..... | Checked |
| Tie Down..... | Removed |
| Visually Check Fuel Level..... | Full Tank |
| Fuel Tank Sump..... | Drained/Checked |
| Tire/Brakes..... | Checked |
| Air Inlet..... | Clear |

NOSE

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Engine Fuel Sump..... | Drained/Checked |
| Windshield..... | Clean |
| Cowling..... | Checked |
| Air Filter..... | Clean |
| Propeller/Spinner..... | Checked |
| Nose Gear/Strut/Tire..... | Checked |
| Oil level..... | 5 qts (3.5 min) |
| Left side Static Port..... | Clear of Obstructions |

BEFORE STARTING ENGINES

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|----------------------------|----------|
| Preflight Inspection..... | Complete |
| Passenger Brief..... | Complete |
| Seatbelts..... | Secure |
| Circuit Breakers..... | IN |
| Avionics..... | OFF |
| Master Battery Switch..... | OFF |
| Fuel Selector..... | BOTH |
| Parking/Toe Brakes..... | Set/Hold |
| Checklist..... | Complete |

STARTING ENGINES

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|----------------------------|------------|
| Master Battery Switch..... | ON |
| Strobes/Beacon..... | ON |
| Mixture..... | RICH |
| Carb Heat..... | OFF |
| Primer..... | As Req. |
| Throttle..... | 1/8" open |
| Magneto Switch..... | BOTH |
| Propeller area..... | CLEAR |
| Ignition..... | PUSH START |
| Throttle..... | 1000 rpm |
| Ammeter/Voltmeter..... | Approx. 14 |
| Oil Pressure..... | Green |
| Mixture..... | Lean |
| Checklist..... | Complete |

BEFORE TAXI

| | |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Avionics..... | ON |
| Flaps..... | UP |
| Lights..... | As Req. |
| ATIS/AWOS..... | Record |
| Altimeter..... | SET |
| Heading Indicator..... | Set to Compass |
| Clearance Delivery..... | Obtain |
| Transponder..... | SET/STANDBY |
| Ground Taxi Clearance..... | Obtain |
| Brakes..... | Release |
| Checklist..... | Complete |

TAXI

Brake.....Test
Turn and Slip Indicator.....Move in Direction of Travel
Inclinometer.....Opposite Direction of Travel
Heading Indicator.....Move in Direction of Travel
Checklist.....Complete

GROUND ENGINE RUN UP

Parking/Toe Brakes.....Set/Hold
Flight Controls.....Free and Correct
Mixture.....RICH
Elevator Trim.....Take Off
Engine Gauges.....Green
Throttle.....1700 rpm
Magneto R/L.....125 rpm drop/50 diff
Carb Heat.....rpm drop
Ammeter.....Check
Suction Gauge.....Check
Throttle to Idle.....oil pres/rpm check
Throttle to 1000 rpm.....oil pres/rpm check
Mixture.....Lean if delayed departure
Checklist.....Complete

BEFORE TAKEOFF

Departure Brief.....Complete
Doors/Windows.....Closed/Locked
Seatbelts.....Secured
Flaps.....As Req.
Mixture.....RICH
Trim.....Set for T/O
Transponder.....ALT
Lights.....As Req.
Checklist.....Complete

TAKE OFF

Throttle.....Full
Engine Gauges.....Green
Rotate (Vr).....60 mph/52 KIAS
Climb (Vx /Vy).....60-75 mph/52-65 KIAS
Flaps.....Up
Checklist.....Complete

CLIMB (1000 MSL)

Climb Power.....SET
Airspeed.....80-90 mph/70-78 KIAS
Mixture.....Lean as Req.
Engine Instruments.....Green
Lights.....As Req.
Checklist.....Complete

CRUISE

Cruise Power.....2000-2500 rpm
Mixture.....Lean as Req.
Trim.....Adjust
Carb Heat.....On below 2000 rpm
Engine Instruments.....Green
Checklist.....Complete

DESCENT/INBOUND FOR LANDING

Mixture.....As Req.
Throttle.....As Req.
Carb Heat.....As Req.
ATIS/AWOS.....Record
Altimeter.....SET
Transponder.....SET
Checklist.....Complete

BEFORE LANDING

Approach Briefing.....Complete
Carb Heat.....ON
Fuel Selector.....BOTH
Mixture.....RICH
Seat belts.....Secure
Landing Lights.....ON
Flaps.....As Req.
Checklist.....Complete

LANDING

Airspeed.....70-80 mph/61-70 KIAS
Below 100 mph (white arc).....Flaps as Needed
Airspeed.....65-70 mph/56-61 KIAS
Touchdown.....Main Wheels
Landing Roll.....Lower nose gently
Braking.....Minimum Req.
Checklist.....Complete

MISSED APPROACH / GO AROUND

Throttle.....FULL
Carb Heat.....OFF
Flaps.....Retract as Req.
Checklist.....Complete

AFTER LANDING

Flaps.....Retract
Carb heat.....OFF
Mixture.....LEAN
Transponder.....Standby
Lights.....As Req.
Trim.....Set for Take Off
Frequency Change.....As Req.
Checklist.....Complete

SECURING

Parking/Toe Brakes.....Set
Avionics.....OFF
Lights/Strobe.....OFF
Throttle.....1000 rpm
Mixture.....IDLE CUT OFF
Magnetos.....OFF
Master Battery Switch.....OFF
Hobbs Time.....Record
Control Lock.....Install
Rudder Gust Lock.....Install
Clean Aircraft.....Complete
Seat Belts.....Secure
Cabin Doors/Windows.....Closed
Tie Down.....Install
Pitot Tube Cover.....Install
Checklist.....Complete



Cessna 172 (N717RC) Emergency Checklist

ENGINE FIRE DURING START

CrankingContinue

IF ENGINE START

Power.....1800 rpm
Engine.....Shutdown/Inspect

IF NO START

Cranking.....Continue
Fuel Shut Off.....OFF
Mixture.....IDLE-CUT OFF
Fuel Selector.....OFF
Magnetos.....OFF
Master Battery Switch.....OFF
Fire Extinguisher.....Obtain
Aircraft.....Evacuate
Checklist.....Complete

ENGINE FAILURE DURING TAKEOFF ROLL

Throttle.....IDLE
Brakes.....Apply
Flaps.....Retract
Mixture.....IDLE-CUT OFF
Fuel Selector.....OFF
Magnetos.....OFF
Master Switch.....OFF
Checklist.....Complete

ENGINE FAILURE AFTER TAKE OFF

Airspeed.....75 mph/65 KIAS
Throttle.....IDLE
Below 500'.....Land on remaining runway
No Runway.....Suitable Landing Site
Mixture.....IDLE-CUT OFF
Fuel Selector.....OFF
Magnetos.....OFF
Master Battery Switch.....OFF
Checklist.....Complete

ENGINE FAILURE IN FLIGHT

Airspeed.....75 mph/65 KIAS
Mixture.....RICH
Carb Heat.....ON
Magnetos.....ON
Master Battery Switch.....ON
Primer.....In/Locked
Fuel Selector.....BOTH
Engine.....RESTART
Checklist.....Complete

FORCED LANDING

Airspeed.....75 mph/65 KIAS
Landing Site.....Note Wind Direction
Squawk.....7700
Declare Emergency.....Freq. 121.5
Mixture.....IDLE-CUT OFF
Fuel Selector.....OFF
Magnetos.....OFF
Flaps.....As req.
Master Battery Switch.....OFF
Seatbelt/Harness.....Secured
Doors.....Unlatch
Checklist.....Complete

ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT

Mixture.....IDLE-CUT OFF
Fuel Selector.....OFF
Master Battery Switch.....OFF
Cabin Heat and Air.....OFF
Airspeed.....Increase to Extinguish
Forced Landing.....Execute
Checklist.....Complete

ELECTRICAL FIRE

Master Battery Switch.....OFF
All Electrical Switches.....OFF
Vents.....CLOSED
Fire Extinguisher.....Activate

IF FIRE IS OUT

Avionics.....OFF
Circuit Breakers.....Check
Master Battery Switch.....ON
Avionics.....ON
Radio/Electrical.....ON
Vents.....OPEN
Checklist.....Complete

CABIN FIRE

Master Battery Switch.....OFF
Vents.....CLOSE
Fire Extinguisher.....Activate
Land.....ASAP
Checklist.....Complete

WING FIRE

Navigation lights.....OFF
Landing/Taxi Lights.....OFF
Strobe Lights.....OFF
FORWARD SLIP WITH WING FIRE SIDE DOWNWIND
Checklist.....Complete

ALTERNATOR OVER VOLTAGE

IF VOLTMETER READS 16V OR GREATER:

Alternator Circuit Breaker.....Checked
Non-essential Electrical Equipment.....OFF
Flight.....TERMINATE
Checklist.....Complete

ALTERNATOR FAILURE

IF AMMETER SHOWS DISCHARGE & VOLTMETER READS 12V OR LESS:

Alternator Circuit Breaker.....Checked
IF EARLIER STEPS DO NOT RESOLVE PROBLEM:
Non-essential electrical equipment.....OFF
Flight.....TERMINATE
Checklist Complete

ICING

Carburetor.....Heat
Cabin heat.....As req.
Defroster Outlets.....Open
Engine rpm.....Increase
Altitude/Heading.....Adjust
Mixture.....Lean
Flight.....TERMINATE
Airspeed.....75 mph/65 KIAS
Touchdown.....Level Attitude
Flaps.....Not Recommended
Checklist.....Complete

COMMUNICATIONS FAILURE

Headset Connection.....Check
Radio check.....Confirm
Frequency.....Verify
Circuit Breakers.....Check

IF YOU CAN HEAR ATC (Controlled Airport)

Squawk 7600
Follow Verbal Instructions
Look for Light Gun Signals
Enter Normal Traffic Pattern
Upon Landing, call tower

IF YOU CANNOT HEAR ATC (Controlled Airport)

Squawk 7600
Look for Light Gun Signals
Enter Traffic Pattern like Normal
Upon Landing, call tower
Checklist.....Complete

LANDING WITH FLAT MAIN TIRE

Approach.....Normal
Flaps.....As Desired
Touchdown.....Good Tire First
Checklist.....Complete

WATER DITCHING

Radio.....Freq. 121.5
Squawk.....7700
Heavy Objects.....Secure/Jettison
Flaps.....30 Degrees
Descend.....300 fpm
Cabin Door.....Unlatch

HIGH WINDS/HEAVY SEAS

Land into the wind

LIGHT WINDS/HEAVY SWELLS

Land parallel to swells

Airplane.....Evacuate
Life vest/raft.....Inflate
Checklist.....Complete