

PA28-140 OPERATION CHECKLISTS

Normal Operation Checklist



Take Off Callouts (on the runway)

To be used with respective takeoff checklist

Runway Heading	"Verified"
Throttle	"Set for Takeoff"
Engine Instruments	"Indications Normal"
Airspeed	"Alive"
Decision Speed	"Continue [Abort]"
Rotate	"[Vr speed], Rotate"
Climbing	"Positive Rate"
Airspeed	<i>Best Rate:</i> Vy (85 mph) <i>Best Angle:</i> Vx (74 mph)

Cruise Checklist

Engine	"Throttle Set"
Trim	"Set for Cruise"
Mixture	"Lean for Altitude"
Heading	"Set and Verified"
Fuel Tank	"Switch Tanks" [See checklist]
Engine Instruments	"Indications Normal" "Cross Check"

Departure Checklist (1,000 AGL)

Engine	"Set Full Throttle"
Airspeed	Best Rate: Vy (85 mph) Cruise Climb: Vcc (100 mph)
Trim	"Set for Climb"
Fuel Pump	"Off"
Engine Instruments	"Indications Normal" "Cross Check"
Landing Light	"Off"

"Departure Checklist Complete"

Descent Checklist

ATIS	"Received"
Altimeter	"Set"
Heading	"Set and Verified"
Trim	"Set for Descent"
Mixture	"Rich"
Carb Heat	"As Required"
Approach Briefing	"Complete"

"Descent Checklist Complete"

"Cruise Checklist Complete"

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Landing Checklist (1,000 AGL)	Landing	Checklist	(1,000 AGL)
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Trim	"Set for Approach"
Carb Heat	"Off"
Landing Light	"On"
Fuel Pump	"On"
Fuel Tank	"Set Fullest Tank"
Mixture	"Rich"
Flaps	"As Required" (Below 115 mph)
Seat Belts	"Fastened"
Clearance	"Cleared [type], Runway [specify]"

"Landing Checklist Complete"

Switch Tanks (Above 1,000 AGL ONLY)

Fuel Pump

Select Tank

Fuel Pressure

"[Left or Right] tank set"

"On"

"Normal"

"Checklist Complete"

Go Around Checklist

Throttle	"Set Full Throttle"
Carb Heat	"Cold"
Flaps	"Up"
Airspeed	"[Vx, Vy, Vcc]"

"Go Around Checklist Complete"

Pre-Maneuver Checklist

Landing Light	"On"
Clearing Turn	"Complete"
Height	"[Say Altitude]"
Engine	"Indications Normal"
Location	"[Say Heading]" (safe practice area)
Look Out	"Clear of Traffic"
"Checklist Complete"	

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After Landing Checklist

Trim	"Set Neutral"	
Landing Light	"Off"	
Strobe Lights	"Off"	
Flaps	"Up"	
Carb Heat	"Off"	
Fuel Pump	"Off"	
Mixture <i>"Lean for Taxi"</i>		
"After Landing Checklist Complete"		

Securing Checklist	
Master	Verify Off
Hobbs/Tach	Record
Flight Controls	Install Control Lock
Tie Downs	Secure
Wheels	Chocked
Doors & Windows	Closed & Locked
Cover	Installed
Flight Plan	Closed

Avionics	"Off"
Transponder	"Off"
Beacon	"Off"
Nav Lights	"Off"
Engine	"1,000 rpm"
Mixture	"Idle Cut Off"
Ignition Switch	"Off"
Master Switch	"Off"
"Shutdown Checklist Complete"	

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91.103 Checklist

NOTAMs	Reviewed
Weather	Briefed
Known ATC Delays*	Verified
Runway Lengths	Reviewed
Alternates*	Planned Accordingly
Fuel Requirements	Planned Accordingly
Takeoff & Landing Distances	Verified Required Performance
Weight & Balance	Complete

Pilot Documents Checklist

Government Photo ID	Check
FAA License	Check
Medical Certificate	Check
Endorsements	As Required
Currency	Verified
Passport	International Flights
FCC Radio License	International Flights

Preflight Checklist

Cockpit

HOBBS / TACH	Record
91.103 Requirements	Complete
Airworthiness Dispatch Release	Verify
Pilot Documents Checklist	Verify
Control Lock	Remove
Ignition Switch	Off
Circuit Breakers	Check
Avionics	Off
Master Switch	On
Fuel Quantity	Check
Lights (Nav, Strobe, Beacon, Landing)	All On
Walk Around	Verify Lights Operational
Lights (Nav, Strobe, Beacon, Landing)	All Off
Fuel Pump	Check Operation
Master Switch	Off
Fuel Selector	Fullest Tank
Flaps	Down

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Preflight Checklist

Right Wing

Flap	Check
Aileron	Check
Wing Surface & Tip	Check
Leading Edge	Check
Main Wheel & Brakes	Check
Tiedown	Remove
Fuel Sample	Check
Fuel Tank Quantity	Check

Preflight Checklist

Left Wing

Fuel Sample	Check
Main Wheel & Brakes	Check
Fuel Tank Quantity	Check
Leading Edge	Check
Pitot Tube	Check
Stall Warning	Check
Wing Surface and Tip	Check
Aileron	Check
Flap	Check
Tiedown	Removed

Nose	
Oil Level (100 plus)	6 qt min
Engine Compartment	Check
Exhaust Stack	Check for Cracks
Propeller & Spinner	Check
Cowl Inlet & Baffles	Check
Landing Light	Check
Air Induction / Filter	Check
Nose Gear Assembly	Check
Nose Tire	Check
Fuel Sample	Check

Preflight Checklist

Fuselage / Empennage	
Rudder & Stabilator	Check
Antennas	Check
Fuselage Skin	Look for Damage
Windows	Check
Tiedown	Remove
Wheel Chocks	Remove

"Preflight Checklist Complete"

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Starting	Checklist
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Passenger Briefing	"Complete"
Seatbelts	Adjust
Brakes	"Set and Hold"
Fuel Selector	"Fullest Tank"
Mixture	"Full Rich"
Throttle	"Set" (¼ Inch)
Primer	1-3 Pumps "In and Locked"
Master Switch	"On"
Fuel Pump	"On"
Prop Area	"CLEAR PROP!"
Starter Button	Push
Engine / Throttle	Set 1000 rpm
Oil Pressure	"Check" (Within 30 Secs)
Ammeter	"PositiveCharging"
Beacon	"On"
Fuel Pump	"Off"
Fuel Pressure	"Check"
Nav / Position Lights	"On"
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Before Taxi Checklist

Mixture	"Lean for Taxi"
Cabin Doors	"Closed and Latched"
Flaps	"Up"
Avionics	"On"
Transponder	"On—Altitude Reporting"
ATIS	Record
Altimeter	"Set, Verified with Field Elevation"
Heading	"Set, Verified with Compass"
Taxi Briefing	"Complete"
Brakes	"Check"
Instrument Cockpit Check	t <i>"Complete"</i>

"Taxi Checklist Complete"

"Starting Checklist Complete"

Normal Operation Checklist



Brakes	"Set and Hold"
Flight Controls	"Free and Correct"
Flight Instruments	"Set and Checked"
Fuel Quantity	"Checked"
Fuel Selector	"Set Fullest Tank"
Primer	"In and Locked"
Mixture	"Rich"
Throttle	"2,000Set"
Carb Heat	"Within Operating Limits" (150 rpm drop)
Magnetos (L, R, Both)	"Within Operating Limits" (175 rpm drop / 50 rpm diff)
Oil Pressure	"Check"
Oil Temperature	"Check"
Ammeter	"Charging"
Vacuum Gauge	"Within Operating Limits" (Above 5", plus or minus .1)
Throttle	"1,000 rpm – Set"
Doors / Windows	"Closed and Locked"

Normal Takeoff Checklist

Takeoff Briefing	"Complete"
Transponder	"Altitude Reporting"
Mixture	<i>"Set for Max</i> Performance"
Trim	"Set for Takeoff"
Flaps	"Set"
Fuel Pump	"On"
Strobe Lights	"On"
Landing Light	"On"
Flight Controls	"Positioned for Wind Correction"

Takeoff Checklist Complete

Run-up Checklist Complete

Normal Operation Checklist



Short Field Takeoff Checklist Soft Field T		
Takeoff Briefing	"Complete"	Takeoff Briefing
Transponder	"Altitude Reporting"	Transponder
Mixture	<i>"Set for Max</i> Performance"	Mixture
Trim	"Set for Takeoff"	Trim
Flaps	"Set 25°"	Flaps
Fuel Pump	"On"	Fuel Pump
Strobe Lights	"On"	Strobe Lights
Landing Light	"On"	Landing Light
Runway Entry	Taxi for Max Length	Runway Entry
Flight Controls	"Positioned for Wind Correction"	Flight Controls
Brakes	"Hold"	Throttle
Throttle	"Set for Takeoff"	
Brakes	"Release"	Rotate
Rotate	"Rotate" (Vr 60 mph)	Ground Effect
Airspeed	"Best Angle of Climb" (Vx 74 mph)	Airspeed
After Clearing	"Best Rate of Climb"	Flaps
Obstacles	(Vy 85 mph)	Soft Field Taked
Flaps	"Up"	

Soft Field Takeoff Checklist

akeoff Briefing	"Complete"
ransponder	"Altitude Reporting"
lixture	<i>"Set for Max</i> Performance"
rim	"Set for Takeoff"
laps	"Set 25°"
uel Pump	"On"
trobe Lights	"On"
anding Light	"On"
unway Entry	Taxi—No Stopping Aft Elevator Pressure
light Controls	"Positioned for Wind Correction"
hrottle	"Set for Takeoff"
otate	Minimal Airspeed
round Effect	Accelerate to Vy
irspeed	"Best Rate of Climb" (Vy 85 mph) – Use Vx if Obstacles
laps	"Up"

Soft Field Takeoff Checklist Complete

Short Field Takeoff Checklist Complete

Normal Operation Checklist



"Set for Approach"

Trim	"Set for Approach"
Landing Light	"On"
Fuel Pump	"On"
Fuel Tank	"Set Fullest Tank"
Mixture	"Rich"
Flaps	"Set 40°"
Seat Belts	"Fastened"
Clearance	"Cleared [type], Runway [specify]"
Final Approach	Minimum Approach Speed
Touch Down	Earliest Point Possible
Stabilator	Up Deflection—Max Aerodynamic Braking
Flaps	"Up"
Braking	"Max Braking"

Landing Light	"On"
Fuel Pump	"On"
Fuel Tank	"Set Fullest Tank"
Mixture	"Rich"
Flaps	"As Required"
Seat Belts	"Fastened"
Clearance	"Cleared [type], Runway [specify]"
Touch Down	On Main WheelsSoft
Stabilator	Up Deflection—Keep Weight Off of Nose Wheel
Тахі	Keep Rolling Avoid Stopping

Soft Field Landing Checklist

Trim

Soft Field Landing Checklist Complete

Short Field Landing Checklist Complete

Normal Operation Checklist



No Flap Landing Checklist	
Trim	"Set for Approach"
Landing Light	"On"
Fuel Pump	"On"
Fuel Tank	"Set Fullest Tank"
Mixture	"Rich"
Flaps	"Up"
Seat Belts	"Fastened"
Clearance	"Cleared [type], Runway [specify]"
Final Approach	Shallow Approach Angle, Approach Speed: 70 mph
Touch Down	Soft—High Speed
Stabilator	Up Deflection—Max Aerodynamic Braking
Braking	As Needed
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No Flap Landing Checklist Complete

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Engine Failure Checklist

DURING TAKEOFF

Throttle	"Idle"
Brakes	Apply
Flaps	"Up"
Mixture	"IDLE Cut Off"
Ignition	"Off"
Master Switch	"Off"

Checklist Complete

Engine Failure Checklist

AFTER TAKEOFF (Below 1,000 AGL)

Airspeed	83 mph
Mixture	"IDLE Cut Off"
Fuel Selector	"Off"
Ignition	"Off"
Flaps	"As Required"
Master Switch	"Off"
Checklist Complete	

Engine Failure Checklist

DURING FLIGHT (Above 1,000 AGL)

Airspeed	83 mph
Fuel Selector	"Switch Tanks"
Mixture	"Rich"
Carb Heat	"On"
Primer	"In and Locked"
Ignition	"Both and Start"
Transponder	7700
Radio	121.5 "Mayday x3"

Checklist Complete

Engine Failure Checklist

POWER OFF LANDING

Airspeed	83 mph
Fuel Selector	"Off"
Mixture	"IDLE Cut Off"
Ignition	"Off"
Flaps	"As Required"
Master	"Off"
Door	Unlatch

Brace for Impact

Normal Operation Checklist



Engine Roughness Checklist		Engine
Mixture	Adjust	Mixture
Carb Heat	"On"	Fuel Selector
Magnetos	"Check [Left / Right]"	Radio
Checklist Complete		Transponder
Engine Fire During Start		Emergency Desc
If Engine NOT Started		Cabin Air Vents
Crank Continue		Ignition Switch
Throttle	"Open"	Master Switch
Ignition	Continue Cranking	Complete Pe
Checklist Complete		Electrica
If Engine Starts		
Engine RPM	1,700 rpm	Radio
Fuel Selector	"Off"	Transponder
Mixture	<i>"IDLE Cut-Off"</i>	Master Switch
Master Switc	h <i>"Off"</i>	Avionics
Ignition Swite	ch <i>"Off"</i>	Cabin Air Vents
Evacuate Airc	craft Extinguish If Able	Master Switch
Checklist Complete		Land

Engine Fire During Flight

Mixture	"IDLE Cut-Off"
Fuel Selector	"Off"
Radio	121.5 (Mayday x3)
Transponder	7700
Emergency Descent	100 Kts (Smother Flame)
Cabin Air Vents	"Closed"
Ignition Switch	"Off"
Master Switch	"Off"

Complete Power Off Landing Checklist

Electrical Fire During Flight

Radio	121.5 (Declare Emergency)
Transponder	7700 Ident
Master Switch	"Off"
Avionics	"Off"
Cabin Air Vents	"Closed"
Master Switch	"Off"

Land as Soon as Possible

Normal Operation Checklist



Cabin During Flight		Wing Fire	
Cabin Air Vents	Closed	Navigation Lights	"Off"
Windows / Doors	Closed	Pitot Heat	"Off"
Emergency Descent	Max Descent Rate	Forward Slip	Away from Fire
Extinguish Fire		Emergency Descent	<i>100 Kts</i> (Smother Flame)
Radios	121.5 (Mayday x3)	Flaps	"Up" Do NOT Use
Transponder	7700	Radio	121.5 (Mayday x3)
Master Switch	"Off"	Transponder	7700
Land as soon as Possible		Land as soon as Possible	
Electrical / Alternator Failure		Electrical Overload	
Load Meter	Verify	Master Switch	"Off"
Advise ATC		Master Switch	"On"
	Unnecessary		

Unnecessary Equipment--Off

"Off"

"Check" Only Reset after 5 minutes **Only Reset ONCE**

Master Switch

Master Switch

"On"

Avionics

Fuses

Load Shed

"Check"

If Not Resolved—Load Shed and Land ASAP

Master Switch	"Off"
Master Switch	"On"
Overvoltage Light	Check

If Overvoltage ON Land as soon as Possible