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Cessna 172RG Checklist

N6403V



Preflight	
Interior	
POH	Onboard
Hobbs/Tach	Check
Control lock	Removed
Primer	Locked
Ignition	Off
Carb Heat	Cold
Avionics	Off
Master Switch	On
Fuel Quantity	Check
Lights + Pitot Heat	On/Check/Off
Alternate Static	Off
Fuel Selector	Both
Flaps	Extend
Master Switch	Off
Elevator Trim	Neutral
Cowl Flaps	Open
Exterior	
L Fuselage	Check
Tail tiedown	Disconnect
Horizontal Stab	Check
Elevator + Rudder	Check
Trim Tab	Secure
Antennas	Check
R Fuselage	Check
R Flap	Check
R Aileron	Check
R Wingtip	Check
R Main Gear	Check
R Tiedown	Disconnect
R Leading Edge	Check
R Fuel Sumps	Sample
R Fuel Quantity	Check
Nose Fuel Sump	Sample
Engine Oil	6-8 Quarts
Engine Air Inlets	Clear
Propeller/Spinner	Check
Nose Wheel	Check
Nose Static Sources	Clear
L Fuel Sumps	Sample
L Fuel Quantity	Check
L Main Gear	Check
Pitot Tube	Clear
Stall Warning Vane	Check
Fuel Vent	Clear
L Tiedown	Disconnect
L Leading Edge	Check
L Wingtip	Check
L Aileron	Check
L Flap	Check

Before Start	
Preflight	Complete
Passenger Brief	Complete
Seats + Seatbelts	Adjusted + Secure
Doors/Windows	Locked
Brakes	Test and Set
Circuit Breakers	Check In
Avionics	Off
Starting Engine	
Throttle	1/4" Open
Prop	High RPM
Mixture	Full Rich
Prime	2-3 shots
Master Switch	On
Beacon	On
Flaps	Up
Prop Area	Clear
Ignition	Start
Throttle	800 RPM
Oil Pressure	Check
Mixture	Lean for Taxi
Before Taxi	
Avionics	On
Transponder	ALT/1200
WX/ATIS	Obtain
Flight Instruments	Set
Brakes	Test
Before Takeoff - Run-Up	
Parking Brake	Set
Flight Controls	Free and Correct
Mixture	Rich
Throttle	1700 RPM
Prop	Cycle
Engine Gauges	Check Green
L & R Magnetos	Check
≤ 150 RPM drop, ≤ 50 RPM difference	
Carb Heat	On/Check/Off
Fuel Pump	On/Verify/Off
Throttle	Idle
Throttle	700 RPM
Mixture	Lean for Taxi
Trim	Neutral
Flaps	Set for Takeoff
Doors/Windows	Locked
Radios/Nav	Set
Parking Brake	Release
Emergency Takeoff Brief	
On Takeoff Roll	Action
Under 1,000' AGL	Action
Above 1,000' AGL	Action
Taking Runway	
Lights	On
Camera (XPNDR)	Set
Action	Mix Rich - Prop Full

Takeoff - Climb	
Throttle	Max
Engine Gauges	Green
Airspeed	Increasing
Vr 55 KIAS	
Vy 84 KIAS, Vx 67 KIAS	
Flaps (at altitude)	Retract
Oil Temperature	Monitor
Climb	
Throttle	25"
Prop	2500 RPM
Cruise	
Throttle	As Desired
Mixture	Set
Cowl Flaps	Closed
Landing Light	Off
Engine Gauges	Green
Pre-Manuevers	
Area	Clear
Lights	On
Descent	
Throttle	As Desired
Mixture	Set
Fuel Selector	Both
Cowl Flaps	Closed
Flight Instruments	Set
Engine Gauges	Monitor
Landing Light	On
Before Landing	
G.U.M.P.S.	Complete
Go Around	
Throttle	Max
Flaps	10°
Climb	84 KIAS
Flaps (at alt)	Retract
After Landing - Taxi	
Flaps	Up
Cowl Flaps	Open
Mixture	Lean
Carb Heat	Cold
Land/Strobe Lights	Off
Transponder	ALT/1200
Trim	Neutral
Securing	
Avionics	Off
Throttle	Idle
Prop	High RPM
P-Lead	Check
Mixture	Idle Cutoff
Ignition	Off/Dash
Master Switch	Off
All Switches	Off
Windows	Closed
Control Lock	Installed
Fuel Selector	Left/Right
Tach/Hobbs	Record
Aircraft	Secure
Discrepancies	Write Up

Engine Failure on Takeoff	
Throttle	Idle
Brakes	Apply
Flaps	Retract
Mixture	Idle Cutoff
Ignition	Off
Master Switch	Off
Engine Failure after Takeoff	
Airspeed	65-70 KIAS
Mixture	Idle cutoff
Fuel Selector	Off
Ignition Switch	Off
Wing Flaps	As Req.
Master Switch	Off
Engine Failure during Flight	
Airspeed	75 KIAS
Fuel Selector	Off
Aux Fuel Pump	On
Mixture	Rich
Ignition Switch	Both / Start
Forced Landing Without Power	
Airspeed	65-75 KIAS
Mixture	Idle Cutoff
Fuel Selector	Off
Flaps	As Req.
Master Switch	Off
Doors	Unlatch
Touchdown	Tail low
Brakes	Apply heavily
Forced Landing With Power	
Airspeed	65 KIAS
Flaps	20°
Field	Overfly / Inspect
Avionics	Off
Flaps	30° (final)
Master Switch	Off
Doors	Unlatch
Touchdown	Tail low
Ignition Switch	Off
Brakes	Apply heavily
Ditching / Water Landing	
Radio	Transmit Mayday
Squawk	7700
Heavy objects	Secure/Toss
Flaps	20-30°
Airspeed	60 KIAS
Approach	High Winds, Into Light Winds, Parallel to Swells
Doors	Unlatch
Touchdown	Level Attitude
Face	Brace
ELT	Activate
Evacuate, Inflate flotation devices when clear of aircraft	
Landing Without Pos. Gear Lock	
G.U.M.P.S.	Complete
Approach	Normal, 30° flaps
Gear Cir. Breakers	In
Touchdown	Tail low
Braking	Minimum

Engine Fire During Start	
Cranking	Continue
If Engine Starts	
Power	1700 RPM (3 mins)
Engine	Shutdown
If Engine Fails to Start	
Throttle	Full Open
Mixture	Idle Cutoff
Cranking	Continue
Fuel Shutoff	Pull Full Out
Aux Fuel Pump	Off
Fire Extinguisher	Activate
Master Switch	Off
Ignition Switch	Off
Fire	Extinguish
Engine Fire During Flight	
Mixture	Idle Cutoff
Fuel Shutoff	Pull Full Out
Aux Fuel Pump	Off
Master Switch	Off
Cabin Heat/Air	Off
Airspeed	105 KIAS
Forced Landing	Execute
Electrical Fire In Flight	
Master Switch	Off
Vents/Air/Heat	Closed/Off
Fire Extinguisher	Activate
Avionics Master	Off
Ignition Switch	On
All Other Switches	Off
After Fire Extinguished, Vent Cabin	
If Fire Is Extinguished, check req. elec.	
Master Switch	On
Circuit Breakers	Check (don't reset)
Radio Switches	Off
Avionics Master	On
Radio Switches	On one at a time
Cabin Fire	
Master Switch	Off
Vents/Air/Heat	Closed/Off
Fire Extinguisher	Activate
After Fire Extinguished, Vent Cabin	
Land as soon as possible	
Wing Fire	
Land/Taxi Lgts	Off
Nav Lights	Off
Strobe Lights	Off
Pitot Heat	Off
Landing With Flat Tire	
Wing Flaps	As Desired
Approach	Normal
Touchdown	Good Tire First
Gear Fails to Extend	
Master Switch	On
Gear Lever	Down
Gear Cir. Breakers	In
Pump Handle	Extend and Pump
About 30-35 pumps	
Gear Down Light	On
Pump Handle	Stow

Electrical Malfunctions	
Over Voltage Light On	
Master Switch	Off
Master Switch	On
Over Voltage Light	Off
If Light Remains On	
Flight	Terminate ASAP
Ammeter Shows Discharge	
Avionics	Off
Master Alternator	On/Off/On
Electrical Load	Reduce
Flight	Terminate ASAP
Low Oil Pressure	
Power	Reduce
Flight	Terminate ASAP
Spin Recovery	
Power	Idle
Ailerons	Neutral
Rudder	Full Opposite
Hold until spin stops	
Elevator	Forward
Elevator	Recover
KWHP	
ATIS	132.1
Ground	125.0
Tower	135.0
SoCal Approach	120.4/134.2
SoCal Phone #	800-448-3724
Tower Phone #	818-896-5271
Vista Phone #	818-896-5224
V Speeds	
Vs0	42 KIAS
Vs1	50 KIAS
Vr	55 KIAS
Vx	67 KIAS
Vy	84 KIAS
Va (2650 lbs)	106 KIAS
Va (2250 lbs)	98 KIAS
Va (1850 lbs)	89 KIAS
Vfe	100 KIAS
Vlo	140 KIAS
Vle	164 KIAS
Vno	145 KIAS
Vne	164 KIAS
Final Appr.	65 KIAS
Final Appr. (short)	63 KIAS
Vbg (2650 lbs)	73 KIAS
Vbg (2250 lbs)	67 KIAS
Vbg (1850 lbs)	61 KIAS
Gear Up Landing	
Gear Lever	Up
Gear Cir. Breakers	In
Runway	Longest
Flaps	30° (final)
Airspeed	65 KIAS
Doors	Unlatch
Avionics/Master	Off
Touchdown	Tail low
Mixture	Idle Cutoff
Ignition	Off
Fuel Selector	Off
Evacuate	