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# **AIRCRAFT OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

## **FOR**

### **SportStar plus**

## **LIGHT SPORT AIRCRAFT**

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This manual must be on the airplane board during operation. This manual contains information which must be provided to the pilot and also contains supplementary information provided by the airplane manufacturer - Evektor - Aerotechnik a.s.

This aircraft must be operated in compliance with the information and limitations stated in this manual.





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## 0. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### 0.1 Log of Revisions

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## **1. GENERAL**

### **1.1 Introduction**

#### **PARTICIPANT'S RESPONSIBILITY**

There are inherent risks in participating in aviation activities, these risks are significant, up to and potentially including death. Operators and passengers of recreational aviation aircraft, by participation, accept the risks inherent in such participation of which the ordinary prudent person is or should be aware. Pilots and passengers have a duty to exercise good judgment and act in a responsible manner while using the aircraft and to obey all oral or written warnings, or both, prior to and/or during use of the aircraft.

This Flight manual has been prepared to provide pilots and instructors with information for safe and efficient operation of the SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane. It also contains supplementary information considered to be important by the airplane manufacturer.

### **1.2 Certification basis**

The aircraft described herein complies with the Standard Specification for Design and Performance of a Light Sport Airplane, Designation F 2245-04, issued by ASTM International Committee F37.

This type of aircraft complies with the Czech UL-2 airworthiness requirements, it has been type certified by the Light Aircraft Association of the Czech Republic and the type certificate ULL 07/2003 supplement was issued in December 19th, 2006.



### 1.2.1 Data location

The certification documentation is available from the US General importer or airplane manufacturer on a request of competent aviation authority and/or Designated Airworthiness Representative.

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Sport Aircraft International LLC	Evektor - Aerotechnik, a.s.
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e-mail: sportac@ktc.com	e-mail:marketing@evektor.cz

### 1.3 Warnings, cautions, notes

The following informations apply to warnings, cautions and notes used in the Aircraft Operating Instructions:

#### **WARNING**

**MEANS THAT NON-OBSERVATIONS OF THE CORRESPONDING PROCEDURE LEADS TO AN IMMEDIATE OR IMPORTANT DEGRADATION OF THE FLIGHT SAFETY.**

#### **CAUTION**

**MEANS THAT NON-OBSERVATIONS OF THE CORRESPONDING PROCEDURE LEADS TO A MINOR OR TO A MORE OR LESS LONG TERM DEGRADATION OF THE FLIGHT SAFETY.**

#### **NOTE**

Draws the attention to any special item not directly related to safety but which is important or unusual.



## **1.4 Descriptive data**

### **1.4.1 Airplane description**

SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane is an all-metal low-wing of semimonocoque structure with two side by side seats and nose wheel landing gear  
For further description see Section 7 - Airplane and system description.

### **1.4.2 Powerplant**

The standard powerplant consists of ROTAX 912ULS (100 hp) engine and WOODCOMP KLASSIC 170/3/R propeller.  
For further description see Section 7 - Airplane and system description.  
For concrete engine and propeller type - see Section 9 - Supplements - Airplane description.



### 1.4.3 Main technical data

#### Wing

Span	28.37 ft
Area	112.7 sq.ft
MAC depth	4.1 ft
Wing loading	10.76 lbs/sq.ft
Aileron - area	2.62 sq.ft
Flap - area	5.60 sq.ft

#### Fuselage

length	19.62 ft
width	3.55 ft
height	7.66 ft
cockpit canopy max. width	3.87 ft

#### Horizontal tail unit

Span	8.20 ft
HTU Area	20.88 sq.ft
Elevator area	8.40 sq.ft

#### Vertical tail unit

Height	4.07 ft
VTU Area	10.76 sq.ft
Rudder area	4.31 sq.ft

#### Landing gear

Wheel track	6.12 ft
Wheel base	4.43 ft
Main and nose landing gear wheel diameter	14 in





**1.4.4 Three-view drawing**

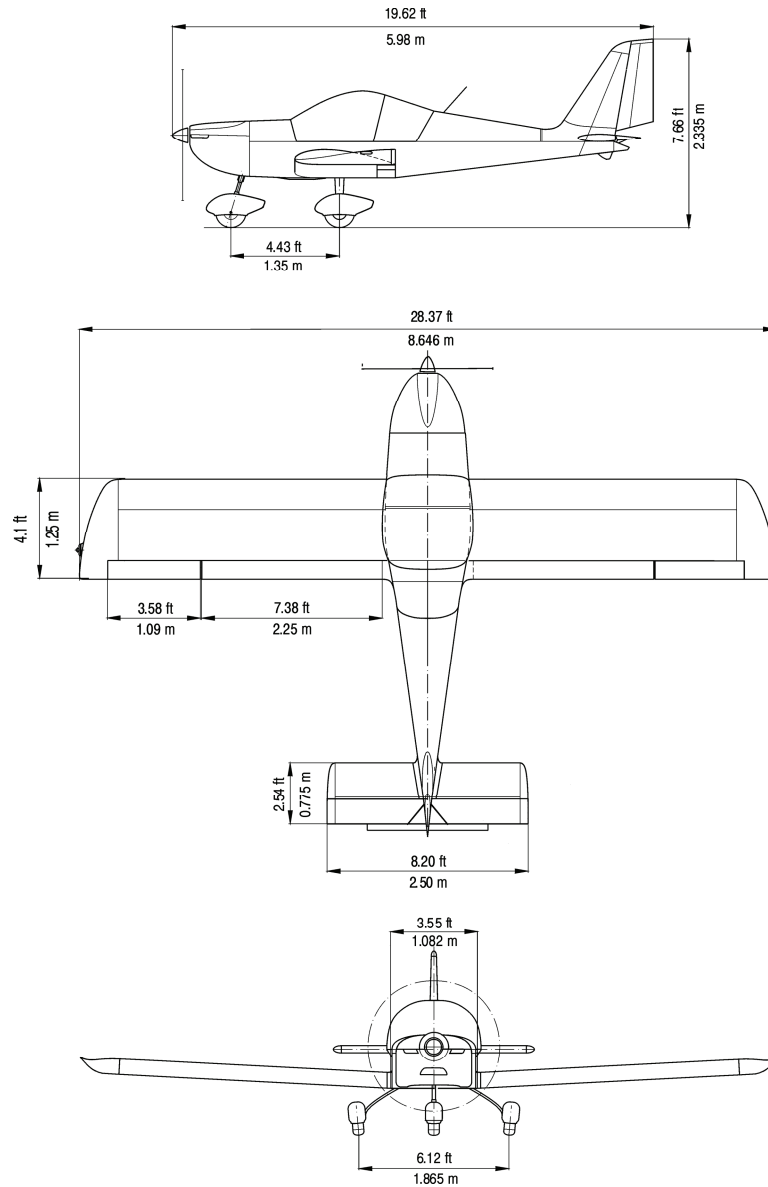


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## 1.5 Definitions and abbreviations

### NOTE

The abbreviations on placards in the airplane cockpit, are printed in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS** in the text of this Aircraft Operating Instructions.

ACCU	accumulator
ALT ENC	encoding altimeter
ATC	air traffic control
bar	bar 1 bar = 100 kPa
BEACON	anti-collision beacon
°C	Celsius degree
CAS	calibrated airspeed
CLOCK	aircraft clock
ft	foot 1 ft = 0.305 m
GPS	global positioning system
HTU	horizontal tail unit
IAS	indicated airspeed
IC	intercom
IFR	instrument flight rules
ISA	international standard atmosphere
kg	kilogram
KIAS	indicated air speed in knots
KCAS	calibrated airspeed in knots
mph	mile per hour
mph CAS	calibrated airspeed in miles per hour
km/h CAS	calibrated airspeed in km/h
kts	knots 1 kt = 1.852 km/h
litres	litre
lbs	pounds 1 lb = 0.45 kg
m	meter
MAC	mean aerodynamical chord
max.	maximum
min.	minimum or minute
mm	milimeter
m/s	meter per second
OAT	outside air temperature



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OFF position	system is switched off or control element is in off-position
ON position	system is switched on or control element is in on-position
Pa	pascal 1Pa = 1N/m <sup>2</sup>
PSI	pound per sq.in (1PSI = 6.89 kPa)
RPM	revolutions per minute
RWY	runway
sq.ft	foot squared
sq.m	meter squared
V <sub>A</sub>	manoeuvring airspeed
V <sub>FE</sub> position	maximum flap extended speed - flaps in 50° position
VFR	visibility flight rules
V <sub>LOF</sub>	airplane lift-off speed
V-METER	voltmeter
V <sub>NE</sub>	never exceed speed
V <sub>NO</sub>	maximum structural cruising speed
V <sub>SO</sub>	stall speed with wing flaps in 50° position
V <sub>S1</sub>	stall speed with wing flaps in 0° position
VTU	vertical tail unit
V <sub>X</sub>	best angle-of-climb speed
V <sub>Y</sub>	best rate-of-climb speed
XPDR	transponder

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Limitations

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## 2. LIMITATIONS

### 2.1 Introduction

Section 2 contains operation limitation, instrument marking and basic placards necessary for safe operation of airplane and its engine, standard systems and equipment. Limitation for optional systems and equipment are stated in section 9 - Supplements.

### 2.2 Airspeed

Airspeed limitations and their meaning for operation are stated in the table below:

	Speed	KIAS	mph IAS	Meaning
V <sub>NE</sub>	Never exceed speed	146	168	Do not exceed this speed in any operation.
V <sub>NO</sub>	Maximum structural cruising speed	105	121	Do not exceed this speed, with exception of flight in smooth air, and even then only with increased caution.
V <sub>A</sub>	Manoeuvring speed	86	99	Do not make full or abrupt control movement above this speed, because under certain conditions the aircraft may be overstressed by full control movement.
V <sub>FE</sub>	Maximum flap extended speed	70	81	Do not exceed this speed with the given flap setting.



### 2.3 Airspeed indicator marking

Airspeed indicator markings and their color-code significance are shown in the table below:

Marking	Range		Meaning
	KIAS	mph IAS	
Red line	38	44	$V_{S0}$ at maximum weight (flaps in landing position 50°)
White arc	38 - 70	44 - 81	Operating range with extended flaps. Lower limit- $V_{S0}$ at maximum weight (flaps 50°) Upper limit - $V_{FE}$
Green arc	43 - 105	50 - 121	Normal operation range Lower limit - $V_{S1}$ at maximum weight (flaps 0°) Upper limit - $V_{NO}$
Yellow arc	105 - 146	121 - 168	Manoeuvres must be conducted with caution and only in smooth air
Red line	146	168	Maximum speed for all operations - $V_{NE}$ .





## 2.4 Powerplant

<b>Engine manufacturer:</b>	Bombardier-Rotax GMBH	
<b>Engine type:</b>	ROTAX 912ULS	
<b>Power:</b>	maximum take-off	100 HP
	maximum continuous	93.8 HP
<b>Engine speed:</b>	maximum take-off	5800 RPM max. 5 minutes
	maximum continuous	5500 RPM
	idle	1400 RPM
<b>Cylinder head temperature:</b>	maximum	275 °F
<b>Oil temperature:</b>	maximum	266 °F
	optimum operation	190 - 230 °F
<b>Oil pressure:</b>	maximum	102 PSI
	minimum	12 PSI
	optimum operation	29 - 73 PSI
<b>Fuel pressure:</b>	minimum	2.2 PSI
<b>Fuel grades:</b>	see 2.13,	
<b>Oil grades:</b>	see 2.14,	
<b>Reducer gear ratio:</b>	2.43 : 1	
<b>Propeller manufacturer:</b>	WOODCOMP s.r.o.	
<b>Propeller type:</b>	KLASSIC 170/3/R 3 blade, composite, on-ground adjustable	
<b>Propeller diameter:</b>	68 in	
<b>Maximum prop speed:</b>	2600 RPM	

### NOTE

If installed a different propeller type - see section 9 - Supplements for propeller limitations.



## 2.5 Powerplant instrument marking

The colour-code of instruments is shown in the following table:

Instrument	Units	Red line	Green arc	Yellow arc	Red line
		Lower limit	Normal operation range	Caution range	Upper limit
RPM indicator	RPM	-	1400 - 5500	5500 - 5800	5800
Oil temperature indicator	°F	-	190 - 230	120 - 190 230 - 266	266
Oil pressure indicator	PSI	12	29 , 73	12 - 29 73 - 102	102
Cylinder head temperature	°F	-	-	-	275

## 2.6 Miscellaneous instrument marking

There are not other instruments with colour marking.

## 2.7 Weight

Empty weight (standard equipment)	695 lbs ± 2 %
Maximum take-off weight	1268 lbs
Maximum landing weight	1268 lbs
Maximum weight in baggage compartment	55 lbs

**WARNING**

**DO NOT EXCEED MAXIMUM WEIGHTS! THEIR EXCEEDING LEADS TO AIRPLANE OVERLOADING AND TO DEGRADATION OF FLIGHT CHARACTERISTICS AND DETERIORATION OF MANOEUVRABILITY.**



## 2.8 Centre of gravity

Empty airplane C.G. position (standard equipment)	20 ± 2 %MAC
Operating C.G. range	20 to 34 %MAC

Reference datum is the wing leading edge.

## 2.9 Approved manoeuvres

SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane is approved to perform the following manoeuvres:

- steep turns up to bank angle of 60°
- climbing turns
- lazy eights
- stalls (except for steep stalls)
- normal flight manoeuvres

**WARNING**

**AEROBATICS AS WELL AS INTENTIONAL  
SPINS ARE PROHIBITED !**

## 2.10 Manoeuvring load factors

Maximum positive load factor	4.0
Maximum negative load factor	-2.0

## 2.11 Flight crew

Minimum crew	1 pilot
Minimum weight of crew	121 lbs

Maximum weight of crew acc. to chapter 6.

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## 2.12 Kinds of operation

The airplane is standardly approved for VFR daylight flights.

### WARNING

**NIGHT FLIGHTS ACCORDING TO VFR, FLIGHTS ACCORDING TO IFR (BY INSTRUMENTS) ARE APPROVED ONLY WHEN INSTRUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR SUCH FLIGHTS IS INSTALLED AND FLIGHT PERFORMED BY A PILOT WITH APPROPRIATE RATING! INTENTIONAL FLIGHTS UNDER ICING CONDITIONS ARE PROHIBITED.**

Instruments and equipment for daylight flights according to VFR :

- 1 Airspeed indicator (the color marking according to par. 2.3)
- 1 Sensitive barometric altimeter
- 1 Magnetic compass
- 1 Fuel gauge indicator
- 1 Oil temperature indicator
- 1 Oil pressure indicator
- 1 Cylinder head temperature indicator
- 1 Engine speed indicator
- 1 Safety harness for every used seat

### CAUTION

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR AIRPLANE OPERATION IS GIVEN IN APPROPRIATE OPERATION REGULATION OF AIRPLANE OPERATOR'S COUNTRY.

## 2.13 Fuel

Fuel tank volume (each)	15.85 U.S. gallons
Total	31.7 U.S. gallons
Usable fuel	31.2 U.S. gallons
Unusable fuel	0.5 U.S. gallons (0.25 US gal per tank)



**NOTE**

It is not recommended to fully tank the fuel tanks. Due to fuel thermal expansion keep about 2.11U.S. gallons of free space in the tank to prevent fuel bleed through the vents in the wing tips thus preventing environmental contamination. This should be adhered especially when cold fuel from an underground tank is tanked.

Approved fuel grades:

- automotive petrol with min RON 95
- EN 228 Premium
- EN 228 Premium plus
- AVGAS 100 LL

Due to higher lead content in AVGAS, the wear of valve seats and deposits in the combustion chamber and lead sediments in the lubrication system will increase. Therefore, use AVGAS only if you encounter problem with vapour lock or if the other fuel types are not available

For other suitable fuel types refer to the engine Operator's Manual

**NOTE**

Use only fuel suitable for the respective climatic zone.

Risk of vapour formation if using winter fuel for summer operation.

**2.14 Oil**

Performance classification SF, SG according to API

Oil volume:

- minimum 0.53 U.S. gallons
- maximum 0.79 U.S. gallons

**2.15 Maximum number of passengers**

Maximum number of passengers including pilot 2



## 2.16 Other limitations

SMOKING IS PROHIBITED on the airplane board.

### PASSENGER NOTICE

This aircraft conforms to ASTM Consensus Standards of airworthiness developed and maintained by the aviation community under ASTM Technical Committee F37.

### PASSENGER WARNING !

This aircraft was manufactured in accordance with Light Sport Aircraft airworthiness standards and does not conform to standard category airworthiness requirements.

## 2.17 Limitation placards

The following placards are located on the instrument panel:

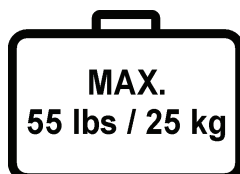


The following placards are located on the the tilting canopy:

**PASSENGER NOTICE:  
THIS AIRCRAFT CONFORMS TO ASTM  
CONSENSUS STANDARDS OF AIRWORTHINESS  
DEVELOPED AND MAINTAINED BY THE  
AVIATION COMMUNITY UNDER ASTM  
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE F37.**

**PASSENGER WARNING!  
THIS AIRCRAFT WAS MANUFACTURED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH LIGHT SPORT AIRCRAFT  
AIRWORTHINESS STANDARDS AND DOES NOT  
CONFORM TO STANDARD CATEGORY  
AIRWORTHINESS REQUIREMENTS.**

The following placards is located in the baggage compartment:





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The following placards are located on the tilting canopy:

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LOAD LIMITS						
Max. take-off weight		1268	lbs			
Empty weight		672	lbs			
Max. baggage weight		55	lbs			
PERMITTED CREW WEIGHT [lbs]						
Fuel quantity	U.S.gal.	31,7	26,4	19,8	13,2	6,6
Baggage weight	<i>max. 55 lbs</i>	<b>350</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>500</b>
	<i>1/2 26 lbs</i>	<b>378</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>529</b>
	<i>No baggage</i>	<b>405</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>556</b>
Fuel reserve (1/8 on the fuel indicator)		2.1 U.S. gallons				

**NOTE**

The values stated on the placard "LOAD LIMITS" are valid for the empty weight of the airplane with standard equipment. The placard with values valid for the actual empty weight of the airplane will be placed in the cockpit.

Other placards and labels are shown in Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures.

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## 3. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

### 3.1 Introduction

Section 3 describes operations and procedures for emergency situation solutions that could possibly occur during airplane operation.

### 3.2 Speeds for performing emergency procedures

Airspeed for the best gliding ratio (flaps retracted) 57 KIAS (66 mph IAS)

Precautionary landing (engine running, flaps in landing position - 50°) 53 KIAS (61 mph IAS)

Emergency landing (engine stopped, flaps in landing position - 50°) 53 KIAS (61 mph IAS)

### 3.3 Engine failure

#### 3.3.1 Engine failure at take-off run

- |                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever | idle         |
| 2. Brakes         | as necessary |
| 3. FUEL SELECTOR  | OFF          |
| 4. Ignition       | OFF          |
| 5. Master switch  | OFF          |

#### 3.3.2 Engine failure at take-off

1. Gliding speed:
  - with flaps in take-off position (15°) min. 53 KIAS (61 mph IAS)
  - with flaps retracted (0°) min. 57 KIAS (66 mph IAS)
2. Altitude:
  - Land in take-off direction if below 150 ft:
  - Land in take-off direction or you can perform turn up to 90° if altitude is 150 - 400 ft:
  - You can try start engine if altitude is above 250 ft





- |                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| 7. THROTTLE lever | idle (choke opened)<br>or increased idle<br>(choke closed) |
|-------------------|--|

**The propeller is rotating:**

- |             |      |
|-------------|------|
| 8. Ignition | BOTH |
|-------------|------|

**The propeller is not rotating:**

- |  |       |
|--|-------|
| 9. Ignition  | START |
| 10. If engine starting does not occur, increase gliding speed up to 108 KIAS (124 mph IAS) (see NOTE), so that air-flow turns the propeller and engine will start. |       |
| 11. Ignition   | BOTH  |
| 12. If engine starting is unsuccessful, then continue according to paragraph 3.8.1 Emergency landing.  |       |

### 3.5 Engine fire

#### 3.5.1 Fire on the ground

- |                                       |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| 1. FUEL SELECTOR                      | <b>OFF</b> |
| 2. Brakes                             | brake      |
| 3. THROTTLE lever                     | full       |
| 4. HOT AIR knob (if installed)        | push       |
| After the engine stops:               |            |
| 5. Ignition                           | OFF        |
| 6. Master switch                      | OFF        |
| 7. Airplane                           | leave      |
| 8. Manual extinguisher (if available) | use        |

#### 3.5.2 Fire during take-off

- |                                |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. FUEL SELECTOR               | <b>OFF</b>           |
| 2. THROTTLE lever              | full                 |
| 3. Airspeed                    | 63 KIAS (73 mph IAS) |
| 4. HOT AIR knob (if installed) | push                 |



After the engine stops:

- |  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| 5. Gliding speed                       | 53 KIAS (61 mph IAS) |
| 6. Ignition                            | OFF                  |
| 7. Master switch                       | OFF                  |
| 8. Land                                |                      |
| 9. Airplane                            | leave                |
| 10. Manual extinguisher (if available) | use                  |

### 3.5.3 Fire in flight

- |                                |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. FUEL SELECTOR               | <b>OFF</b>           |
| 2. THROTTLE lever              | full                 |
| 3. HOT AIR knob (if installed) | close                |
| 4. Gliding speed               | 57 KIAS (66 mph IAS) |
| 5. Ignition                    | OFF                  |
| 6. ATC                         | report if possible   |
| 7. Master switch               | OFF                  |

#### NOTE

For extinguishing the engine fire, you can perform slip under assumption that you have sufficient altitude and time.

#### WARNING

**AFTER EXTINGUISHING THE ENGINE FIRE START ENGINE ONLY IF IT NECESSARY TO SAFE LANDING. FUEL LEAK IN ENGINE COMPARTMENT COULD CAUSE FIRE AND FIRE COULD RESTORE AGAIN.**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 8. If you start engine again, switch off all switches, switch on the Master switch, and then subsequently switch on only equipment necessary to safe landing. |  |
| 9. Emergency landing  | carry out according to paragraph 3.8.1 |
| 10. Airplane  | leave                                  |



11. Manual extinguisher (if available) use as needed

### 3.6 Fire in the cockpit (if manual extinguisher available aboard)

1. Fire source identify
2. Master switch in case that the source of fire is electrical equipment. OFF
3. Manual extinguisher use
4. After fire extinguishing aerate the cockpit
5. Carry out safety landing according to 3.8.2

**WARNING**

**NEVER AGAIN SWITCH THE DEFECTIVE SYSTEM.**

**NOTE**

If a defective electrical system circuit was detected as the fire source, then switch off appropriate circuit breaker and switch over Master switch to ON position.

### 3.7 Gliding flight

**NOTE**

Gliding flight can be used for example in case of engine failure.

Wing flaps position	Retracted (0°)	Take-off (15°)
Airspeed	57 KIAS (66 mph IAS)	53 KIAS (61 mph IAS)



### 3.8 Emergency landing

#### 3.8.1 Emergency landing - with non-operating engine

- |                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| 1. Airspeed       | 57 KIAS (66 mph IAS)                     |
| 2. Landing area   | choose,<br>determine wind direction      |
| 3. Safety harness | tighten up                               |
| 4. Flaps          | landing position (50°)                   |
| 5. Airspeed       | 60 KIAS (69 mph IAS)                     |
| 6. Radiostation   | notify situation to ATC<br>(if possible) |
| 7. FUEL SELECTOR  | <b>OFF</b>                               |
| 8. Ignition       | OFF                                      |
| 9. Master switch  | OFF before touch<br>down                 |

#### 3.8.2 Safety landing- with engine operating

- |                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| 1. Area for landing | choose, determine wind<br>direction, carry out passage flight<br>with speed of 59 KIAS<br>(68 mph IAS),<br>flaps in take-off position (15°) |
| 2. Radiostation     | notify situation to ATC<br>(if possible)  |
| 3. Safety harness   | tighten up  |
| 4. Flaps            | landing position (50°)  |
| 5. Airspeed         | 60 KIAS (55 mph IAS)  |
| 6. Landing          | carry out   |





### 3.8.3 Landing with burst tire

**CAUTION**

WHEN LANDING AT HOLDING, KEEP THE WHEEL WITH BURST TIRE ABOVE THE GROUND AS LONG AS POSSIBLE BY MEANS OF AILERONS. IN CASE OF NOSE WHEEL BY MEANS OF ELEVATOR.

1. At running hold airplane direction by means of foot control and brakes

### 3.8.4 Landing with damaged landing gear

1. In case of nose landing gear damage touch down at the lowest possible speed and try to keep the airplane on main landing gear wheels as long as possible
2. In case of main landing gear damage touch down at the lowest possible speed and if possible keep direction at running

### 3.9 Unintentional spin recovery

**NOTE**

The airplane has not, when using normal techniques of pilotage, tendency to go over to spin spontaneously.

Standard procedure of recovery from spin:

- |                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| 1. THROTTLE lever | idle  |
| 2. Control stick  | ailerons - neutral position   |
| 3. Pedals         | kick the rudder pedal push against spin rotation direction              |
| 4. Control stick  | push forward and hold it there until rotation stops                     |
| 5. Pedals         | immediately after rotation stopping, set the rudder to neutral position |
| 6. Control stick  | recover the diving  |



**CAUTION**

ALTITUDE LOSS PER ONE TURN AND  
RECOVERING FROM THE SPIN IS 500 UP TO  
1000 FT.

### 3.10 Other emergency procedures

#### 3.10.1 Vibration

If abnormal vibrations occur on the airplane then:

1. Set engine RPM to the mode in which the vibrations are the lowest
2. Land on the nearest possible airport, possibly perform safety landing according to par. 3.8.2. Safety landing.

#### 3.10.2 Carburettor icing

Carburettor icing happens when air temperature drop in the carburettor occurs due to its acceleration in the carburettor and further cooling by evaporating fuel. Carburettor icing mostly happens during descending and approaching for landing (low engine RPM). Carburettor icing shows itself by engine power decreasing and by engine temperature increasing.

Recommended procedure for engine power regeneration is as follows:

1. CARBURETTOR PREHEATER (if installed) ON
2. THROTTLE lever set idle and cruising  
power again

#### NOTE

Ice coating in the carburettor should be removed by decrease and reincrease of engine power.

3. If the engine power is not successfully increased, then carry out landing at the nearest suitable airport or, if it is not possible, carry out precautionary landing according to par. 3.8.2 Precautionary landing.



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## 4. NORMAL PROCEDURES

### 4.1 Introduction

Section 4 describes operations and recommended procedures for normal operation of the airplane. Normal procedures following from system installation and optional equipment, which require supplementation of these Instructions, are shown in section 9 - Supplements.

### 4.2 Recommended speeds for normal procedures

#### 4.2.1 Take-off

Climbing speed up to 50 ft (flaps in take-off pos. - 15°)	56 KIAS (65 mph IAS)
Best rate-of-climb speed $V_Y$ (flaps in take-off pos. - 15°)	56 KIAS (65 mph IAS)
Best rate-of-climb speed $V_Y$ (flaps retracted - 0°)	63 KIAS (73 mph IAS)
Best angle-of-climb speed $V_X$ (flaps in take-off pos. - 15°)	53 KIAS (61 mph IAS)
Best angle-of-climb speed $V_X$ (flaps retracted - 0°)	55 KIAS (63 mph IAS)

#### 4.2.2 Landing

Approaching speed for normal landing (flaps in landing position - 50°)	60 KIAS (69 mph IAS)
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### 4.3 Assembly and disassembly

Description of assembly and disassembly is given in the SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures.



#### 4.4 Pre-flight check

Carry out pre-flight check according to the following procedure:

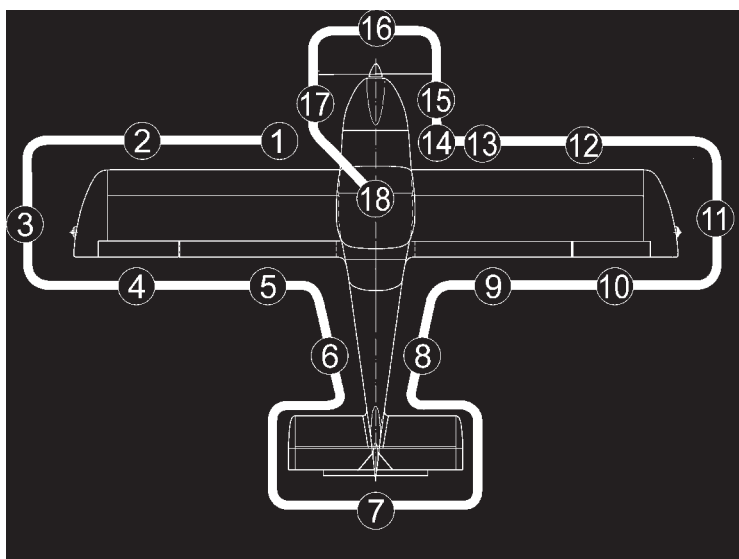


Figure 4-1 Scheme of airplane preflight check

**WARNING**

**CHECK BEFORE PRE-FLIGHT CHECK THAT  
IGNITION IS SWITCHED OFF !**

**NOTE**

The word “condition”, used in procedures of pre-flight check, means visual check of surface, damage, deformation, scratches, attrition, corrosion, icing or other effects decreasing flight safety.



1. Left landing gear leg - check
  - landing gear leg attachment and condition
  - landing gear wheel condition
  - tire condition and inflation
  - condition and attachment of wheel covers, mudguards (if installed)
2. Left wing - check
  - wing surface condition
  - leading edge condition
  - landing light condition - if installed
  - condition of the Pitot tube
  - draining of fuel tank (see chapter 8, page 8-6)
  - closing of fuel tank cap
3. Left wing tip - check
  - surface condition
  - attachment check
  - fuel tank vent - cleanness
  - condition and attachment of the position lights and the anticollision beacon - if installed
4. Left aileron - check
  - surface condition
  - attachment
  - free movement
5. Left wing flap - check
  - surface condition
  - attachment
6. Rear part of fuselage - check
  - surface condition
  - condition of antennas (top and bottom fuselage surface) - if installed
7. Tail units - check



- tail skid condition
  - surface condition
  - condition of rudder and elevator attachment
  - freedom of rudder and elevator movement
  - condition of trim tab, condition of elevator trim tab control
8. Rear part of fuselage - check
- surface condition
9. Right wing flap- see 5.
10. Right aileron- see 4.
11. Right wing tip - see 3.
12. Right wing - see 2. except the landing light (if installed) and Pitot tube
13. Right landing gear leg - see 1.
14. Front part of the fuselage - right hand side - check
- tilting canopy attachment and condition
  - condition of the nose landing gear leg
  - nose wheel condition
  - condition of the nose wheel control rods
15. Engine
- Checks before the first flight of day - it is necessary to remove upper engine cowling:
- condition of engine bed
  - condition of engine attachment
  - condition of exhaust system
  - condition of engine cowlings
  - visual check on fuel and electrical system condition
  - check on cooling liquid volume in the expansion tank on the engine body  
(replenish as required up to max. 2/3 of the expansion tank volume)





Checks before every flight:

- cleanness of air intakes
  - check on oil level (between marks - flattenings on the dip stick)
  - check on cooling liquid level in the overflow bottle (level should be between min. and max. mark)
  - proper closing of the upper cowling
16. Propeller - check
- attachment
  - condition of blades, hub and spinner
17. Front part of fuselage - left hand side - check
- tilting canopy attachment and condition
18. Cockpit - check

**NOTE**

Turn handle clockwise to open cockpit. When keyway is in handle axis, cockpit is locked. Unlock it first with key to keyway perpendicular position to the handle axis.

- all switches OFF
- instrument equipment check on condition
- check on presence of loose object in the cockpit
- check on adjusting and securing the rudder pedals (see section 7.3.3) - if installed adjustable rudder pedals

**WARNING**

**RIGHT AND LEFT PEDAL OF RUDDER CONTROL MUST BE SET TO THE SAME POSITIONS AND WELL SECURED!**

Aircraft Operating Instructions  
and other required documents

check on completeness  
and validity



## 4.5 Normal procedures and checklist

### 4.5.1 Before engine starting

1. Pre-flight check and check on weight and centre of gravity position done
2. Safety harnesses check, fasten
3. Control stick free
4. Rudder pedals free
5. Wing flaps function check
6. Trim tab function check
7. PARKING BRAKE handle (if installed) release brakes
8. Brakes function check
9. **AVIONICS SWITCH** check OFF
10. Ignition check OFF
11. Canopy close

### 4.5.2 Engine starting

1. Master switch ON
2. Fuel gauge indicators check of fuel quantity
3. **FUEL SELECTOR LEFT**  
Pull the safety button on the fuel selector, turn the handle to the left and then release safety button. Now the handle can be freely moved between left and right position. Safety button prevents unintentionally switch the selector to OFF position.
4. Electric fuel pump (if installed) ON
5. THROTTLE lever idle
6. Choke as necessary (open by pulling up and lock by turning)
7. Space in the propeller area free
8. BEACON (if installed) ON  
(if necessary)
9. Brakes apply



10. Ignition START (see CAUTION)  
after starting up BOTH

**CAUTION**

ACTIVATE STARTER FOR 10 SEC. AS A MAXIMUM, THEN LET IT COOL DOWN FOR 2 MINUTES.

AFTER STARTING UP ENGINE, DO NOT CARRY OUT SUDDEN RPM CHANGES, AFTER POWER DECREASE WAIT FOR ABOUT 3 S IN ORDER TO REACH CONSTANT RPM BEFORE REACCELERATION.

11. THROTTLE lever as necessary (see NOTE)  
12. Oil pressure up to 10s min. pressure  
13. **GEN, AUX GEN** (if inst.) switches **ON**

**NOTE**

After starting up engine, adjust throttle for smooth engine running at about 2500 RPM. Check oil pressure. Pressure must increase within 10s. Increase engine RPM until oil pressure is stabilised over 2 bar (29 PSI).

14. Engine instruments check  
15. Choke as necessary  
16. Engine warming up see NOTE

**NOTE**

Begin warming up with engine running at 2000 RPM. for about 2 minutes, continue at 2500 RPM. Warming time depends on outside air temperature until oil temperature reaches 122 °F.

17. FUEL SELECTOR **RIGHT**  
Verify proper engine feeding from the right tank for approx. 1 minute.  
18. FUEL SELECTOR **LEFT**



**NOTE**

Start engine with the fuel selector set to to **LEFT**.  
If you would start the engine with the fuel selector set to **RIGHT** and the left tank is full, than fuel bleed from the left tank vent may occur (and pollute environment) because a fuel return hose is led only into the left tank and returning fuel will overfill the left tank.

- |                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 19. AVIONICS SWITCH            | ON              |
| 20. Radiostation/avionics      | ON              |
| 21. Other electrical equipment | ON as necessary |

**4.5.3 Before taxiing**

- |                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Transponder (if installed)    | <b>SBY</b>   |
| 2. Outside lights (if installed) | as necessary |

**4.5.4 Taxiing**

- |   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever   | as necessary           |
| 2. Brakes   | check by<br>depressing |
| 3. Rudder pedals  | function check         |
| 4. Direction of taxiing control by rudder pedals (these are mechanically connected with nose wheel control), possibly by slacking up left and right wheel of the main landing gear. |                        |

**4.5.5 Before take-off**

- |                   |                        |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Brakes         | brake                  |
| 2. Ignition check | carry out,<br>see NOTE |

**NOTE**

Carry out ignition check in the following way :  
Set engine speed to 4000 RPM. Switch ignition gradually to L, BOTH, R position and return to BOTH..  
RPM drop with one ignition circuit switched off



must not exceed 300 RPM. Maximum RPM difference at using one of the L or R circuits is 120 RPM.

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| 3. Engine instruments                   | check                   |
| 4. Control stick                        | free                    |
| 5. Wing flaps                           | take-off pos. (15°)     |
| 6. Trim                                 | NEUTRAL                 |
| 7. Fuel gauge indicator                 | check on fuel quantity  |
| 8. FUEL SELECTOR                        | check <b>LEFT</b>       |
| 9. CARBURETTOR PREHEATER (if installed) | check function then OFF |

**NOTE**

If CARBURETTOR PREHEATER is switched ON, then engine RPM drop reaches approximately 50 RPM

- |                                |                              |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 10. Engine instruments         | check                        |
| 11. Flight instruments         | check                        |
| 12. Radiostation / avionics    | check, set                   |
| 13. Ignition                   | check BOTH                   |
| 14. Choke                      | close (in inserted position) |
| 15. Master switch              | check ON                     |
| 16. Safety harnesses           | tighten up                   |
| 17. Canopy                     | closed                       |
| 18. Transponder (if installed) | ON or <b>ALT</b>             |

**4.5.6 Take-off**

- |  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever  | max. take-off power  |
| 2. During take-off run smoothly lighten up the nose landing gear until airplane take-off occurs. |                      |
| 3. Airspeed  | 56 KIAS (65 mph IAS) |



4. Brakes brake
5. After reaching 150 ft , set flaps to retracted pos. (0°)
6. Trim as necessary

**WARNING**

**TAKE-OFF IS PROHIBITED:**

- IF ENGINE RUNNING IS IRREGULAR
- IF CHOKE IS OPEN
- IF VALUES OF ENGINE INSTRUMENTS ARE  
NOT WITHIN THE REQUIRED RANGE

**4.5.7 Climb**

1. THROTTLE lever max. continuous power
2. Airspeed V<sub>Y</sub> = 63 KIAS (73 mph IAS)  
for the best rate of climb or  
V<sub>X</sub> = 55 KIAS (63 mph IAS)  
for the best angle of climb
3. Engine instruments check
4. Trim as necessary
5. Electric fuel pump (if installed) OFF



#### 4.5.8 Cruise

- |                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever     | as necessary                |
| 2. Airspeed           | max. 103 KIAS (118 mph IAS) |
| 3. Engine instruments | check                       |
| 4. Fuel quantity      | check                       |

**CAUTION**

FUEL GAUGES DISPLAY TRUE FUEL QUANTITY ONLY ON GROUND AND IN A LEVEL FLIGHT. TO READ TRUE FUEL QUANTITY AFTER TRANSITION FROM CLIMB/DESCENT WAIT APPROX. 2 MINUTES TO FUEL TO LEVEL.

**NOTE**

It is recommended to alternately switch the tanks during cruise to equally consume fuel from both tanks and minimize airplane tendency to bank with unbalanced tanks.

Do not fly with the fuel selector set to **RIGHT** if the left tank is full to avoid fuel bleed from left tank vent.

When the left tank fuel gauge indicates approx. 1/8 of fuel quantity (needle in the middle between 1/4 and 0) then switch to the right tank to consume remaining fuel and then switch back the left tank to complete the flight at left tank. If the engine conks out due to fuel consumption from either tank, then immediately switch the fuel selector to other tank and engine run will be recovered within 7 seconds.

5. CARBURETTOR PREHEATER (if installed) as necessary



#### 4.5.9 Descent

1. THROTTLE lever as necessary
2. Airspeed as necessary
3. Trim as necessary
4. Engine instruments check
5. CARBURETTOR PREHEATER (if installed) as necessary

**CAUTION**

AT LONG APPROACHING AND DESCENDING FROM HIGH ALTITUDE IT IS NOT SUITABLE TO REDUCE THROTTLE TO MINIMUM FOR THE REASON OF POSSIBLE ENGINE UNDERCOOLING AND SUBSEQUENT LOSS OF POWER. PERFORM DESCENDING AT INCREASED IDLE AND CHECK OBSERVANCE OF THE ALLOWED VALUES ON ENGINE INSTRUMENTS.

#### 4.5.10 Before landing

1. Fuel quantity check

**CAUTION**

FUEL GAUGES DISPLAY TRUE FUEL QUANTITY ONLY ON GROUND AND IN A LEVEL FLIGHT. TO READ TRUE FUEL QUANTITY AFTER TRANSITION FROM CLIMB/DESCENT WAIT APPROX. 2 MINUTES TO FUEL TO LEVEL.

2. FUEL SELECTOR **LEFT**
3. Engine instruments check
4. Brakes check by depressing pedals
5. Safety harnesses tighten up
6. Free area of landing check
7. CARBURETTOR PREHEATER (if installed) ON





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- |                                  |                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 8. Approaching speed             | 59 KIAS (68 mph IAS) |
| 9. Flaps                         | take-off pos. (15°)  |
| 10. Trim                         | as necessary         |
| 11. Parking brake (if installed) | check for lever down |

**CAUTION**

PARKING BRAKE MUST BE RELEASED  
(LEVER DOWN) TO PREVENT LANDING WITH  
BRAKED WHEELS

- |                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| 12. Electric fuel pump (if installed) | ON |
|---------------------------------------|----|

**FINAL**

- |   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| 1. Flaps                                | landing pos. (30° or 50°) |
| 2. Maintain airspeed                    | 60 KIAS (69 mph IAS)      |
| 3. Trim                                 | as necessary              |
| 4. CARBURETTOR PREHEATER (if installed) | OFF                       |

**4.5.11 Balked landing**

- |                      |                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever    | max. take-off power   |
| 2. Flaps             | take-off pos. (15°)   |
| 3. Airspeed          | 56 KIAS (65 mph IAS)  |
| 4. Flaps in 150 ft   | retracted pos. (0°)   |
| 5. Trim              | as necessary          |
| 6. THROTTLE lever    | max. continuous power |
| 7. Instruments       | check                 |
| 8. Climb at airspeed | 63 KIAS (73 mph IAS)  |

**4.5.12 Landing**

- |   |              |
|---|--------------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever                                     | idle         |
| 2. Touch-down on main landing gear wheels             | carry out    |
| 3. Brakes after nose landing gear<br>wheel touch-down | as necessary |



#### 4.5.13 After landing

- |                                      |                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Flaps                             | retracted pos. (0°) |
| 2. Trim                              | NEUTRAL             |
| 3. Outside lights (if installed)     | OFF                 |
| 4. Transponder (if installed)        | OFF                 |
| 5. Electric fuel pump (if installed) | OFF                 |

#### 4.5.14 Engine shut-off

- |                               |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| 1. THROTTLE lever             | idle  |
| 2. Engine instruments         | check |
| 3. AVIONICS SWITCH            | OFF   |
| 4. Radiostation / avionics    | OFF   |
| 5. Other electrical equipment | OFF   |
| 6. Ignition                   | OFF   |
| 7. BEACON (if installed)      | OFF   |
| 8. Master switch              | OFF   |



#### 4.5.15 Airplane parking

1. Ignition check OFF
2. Master switch check OFF
3. FUEL SELECTOR **OFF**  
Pull the safety button on the fuel selector, turn the handle to the OFF position and then release safety button. Now the handle is blocked in the OFF position. Safety button prevents unintentionally switch the selector from the OFF position.
4. PARKING BRAKE handle (if installed) brake as necessary
5. Canopy close,  
lock as necessary

#### NOTE

It is recommended to use parking brake (if installed) for short-time parking only, between flights during a flight day. After ending the flight day or at low temperatures of ambient air, do not use parking brake, but use the wheel chocks instead.

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## 5. PERFORMANCE

### 5.1 Introduction

Section 5 provides data for airspeed calibration, stall speeds, take-off performance and nonapproved additional information, provided by the airplane type certificate owner.

The stated performance data has been computed from actual flight tests with the SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane and ROTAX 912 ULS engine in good condition and using average piloting techniques.

#### CAUTION

THE PERFORMANCE STATED IN THIS SECTION IS VALID FOR ROTAX 912 ULS (100 HP) TOGETHER WITH WOODCOMP KLASSIC 170/3/R PROPELLER INSTALLED IN THE AIRPLANE, OTHERWISE SEE SECTION 9 - SUPPLEMENTS FOR ACTUAL PERFORMANCE.



## 5.2 Approved data

### 5.2.1 Airspeed indicator system calibration

**NOTE**

Assumed zero instrument error. Valid for airplane  
take-off weight 1268 lbs .

Flaps deflection 0°		Flaps deflection 15°		Flaps deflection 50°	
KIAS	KCAS	KIAS	KCAS	KIAS	KCAS
				38	40
		41	43	40	41
43	45	43	44	43	44
45	47	45	46	45	46
50	51	47	48	47	47
55	55	50	50	50	50
60	60	53	53	53	53
65	64	55	55	55	54
70	68	57	57	57	56
75	73	60	59	60	59
80	77	63	62	63	62
85	81	65	64	65	63
90	86	67	66	67	65
95	90	70	68	70	68
100	95				
105	99				
110	104				
115	109				
120	113				
125	118				
130	122				
135	127				
140	132				
145	137				
146	138				





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Flaps deflection 0°		Flaps deflection 15°		Flaps deflection 50°	
IAS [mph]	CAS [mph]	IAS [mph]	CAS [mph]	IAS [mph]	CAS [mph]
				44	46
		47	49	47	48
50	52	50	52	50	51
55	57	53	54	53	53
60	61	55	56	55	55
65	65	57	57	57	57
70	69	60	60	60	60
75	74	63	63	63	62
80	78	65	65	65	64
85	82	67	66	67	66
90	87	70	69	70	69
95	91	73	72	73	71
100	96	75	74	75	73
105	100	77	75	77	75
110	105	80	78	80	78
115	109	81	79	81	79
120	114				
125	118				
130	123				
135	127				
140	132				
145	137				
150	141				
155	146				
160	151				
165	155				
168	158				



### 5.2.2 Stall speeds

- Conditions:** - wing level stall - engine at idle power  
 - turning flight stall - engine at 75% max. continuous power  
 - airplane weight: 1268 lbs

**NOTE**

The stated stall speeds are valid for all flight altitudes.

Altitude losses shown in the table present max. values determined on the basis of flight tests using average piloting technique.

575 kg 1268 lb	Flaps position	Stall speed		Altitude loss ft
		KIAS	KCAS	
Wing level flight	Retracted (0°)	43	45	200
	Take-off (15°)	41	43	
	Landing (50°)	38	40	
Turn flight (coordinated turn 30° bank)	Retracted (0°)	46	49	200
	Take-off (15°)	44	46	
	Landing (50°)	41	43	

575 kg 1268 lb	Flaps position	Stall speed		Altitude loss ft
		IAS [mph]	CAS [mph]	
Wing level flight	Retracted (0°)	50	52	200
	Take-off (15°)	47	49	
	Landing (50°)	44	46	
Turn flight (coordinated turn 30° bank)	Retracted (0°)	54	56	200
	Take-off (15°)	51	53	
	Landing (50°)	47	48	



### 5.2.3 Take-off distance

**Conditions:**

- engine: max. take-off power
- flaps: Take-off (15°)
- carburettor preheating: OFF
- airplane weight: 1268 lbs
- altitude: 0 ft ISA
- ambient air temperature: ISA

	Take-off run	Take-off distance to height of 50 ft (15 ft)
Dray concrete	620 ft	1440 ft
Grass	720 ft	1540 ft

**Corrections:**

- Influence of wind: Add 4% on every 1 kt (1.15 mph) of tail wind
- RWY inclination: Add 8% of the take-off run distance on 1% of runway inclination up the slope

### 5.2.4 Landing distance

**Conditions:**

- engine: idle
- flaps: Landing 50°
- carburettor preheating: OFF
- airplane weight: 1268 lbs
- altitude: 0 ft ISA
- ambient air temperature: ISA

	Landing distance from height of 50 ft (15 ft)	Braked landing run
Dray concrete	1310 ft	590 ft
Grass	1250 ft	520 ft

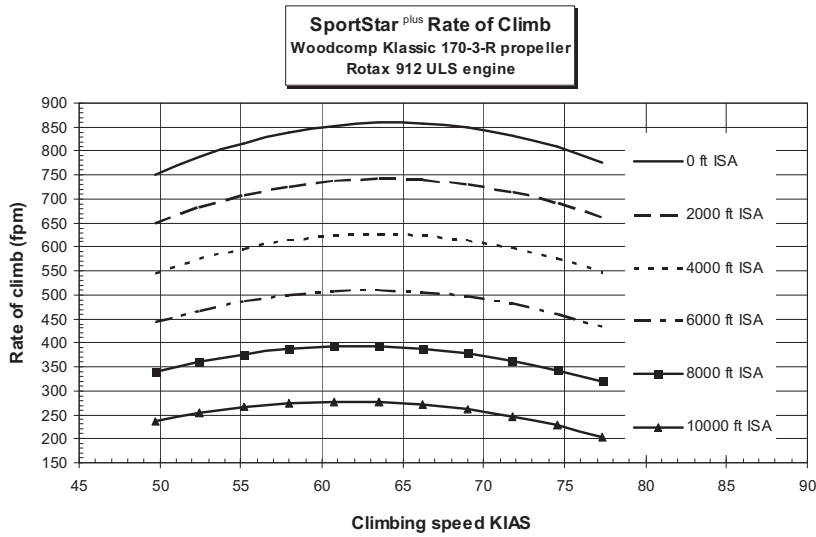
**Corrections:**

- Influence of wind: Add 4.5 % on every 1 kt (1.15 mph) of tail wind
- RWY inclination: Add 8% of the landing run distance on 1% of runway inclination down the slope



**5.2.5 Climb performance**

- Conditions:**
- engine: maximum take-off power
  - flaps: retracted (0°)
  - carburettor preheating: OFF
  - airplane weight: 1268 lbs
  - ambient air temperature: ISA





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Best rate of climb for various altitudes is mentioned in the following table:

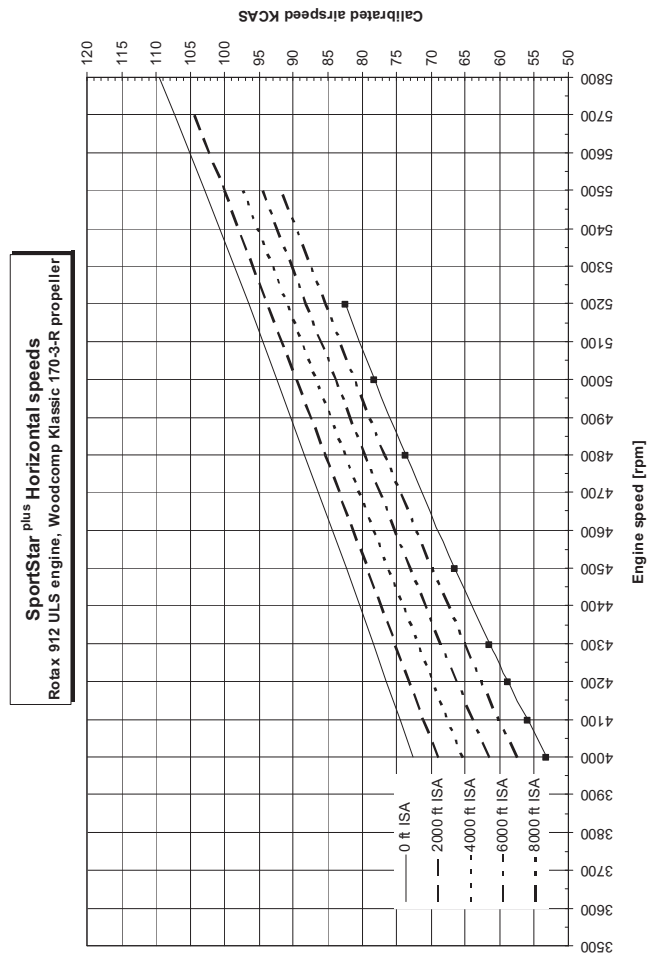
Altitude Hp [ft ISA]	Best rate of climb speed		Maximum Rate of climb [ft/min]
	KIAS	IAS [mph]	
0	61	71	880
1000	61	70	820
2000	61	70	760
3000	61	70	710
4000	61	70	650
5000	60	69	590
6000	60	69	540
7000	60	69	480
8000	60	69	420
9000	59	68	370
10000	59	68	310



### 5.3 Additional information

#### 5.3.1 Cruise

- Conditions:**
- flaps: retracted (0°)
  - carburettor preheating: OFF
  - airplane weight: 1268 lbs
  - ambient air temperature: ISA





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**5.3.2 Horizontal speeds**

In the following table states Indicated airspeeds (IAS), corresponding calibrated air speeds (CAS) and true air speeds (TAS) versus altitude, all for various engine speeds.

		55% MTV	65% MTV	75% MTV	MCP Maximum Continuous Power	MTP Maximum Takeoff Power (5 min.)
		4300 rpm	4800 rpm	5000 rpm	5500 rpm	5800 rpm
0 ft ISA	IAS	82	93	97	109	116
	KCAS	78	88	92	103	110
	KTAS	78	88	92	103	110
2000 ft ISA	IAS	78	89	94	106	
	KCAS	75	85	90	100	
	KTAS	77	88	92	103	
4000 ft ISA	IAS	74	86	91	103	
	KCAS	72	83	87	97	
	KTAS	76	88	92	103	
6000 ft ISA	IAS	70	83	88	100	
	KCAS	69	80	84	95	
	KTAS	75	87	92	103	
8000 ft ISA	IAS	66	80	85	96	
	KCAS	65	77	81	92	
	KTAS	73	86	91	103	
10000 ft ISA	IAS	62	76	81		
	KCAS	62	74	78		
	KTAS	72	86	91		



### 5.3.3 Endurance

**Conditions:** -flaps: retracted (0°)  
 - carburettor preheating: OFF  
 - airplane weight: 1268 lbs  
 - ambient air temperature: ISA

<b>ENDURANCE AND RANGE</b>		<b>55% MCP</b>	<b>65% MCP</b>	<b>75% MCP</b>	<b>MCP Max. Continuous Power</b>
<b>Altitude 2000 ft ISA</b>					
<b>Engine speed</b>	[rpm]	4300	4800	5000	5500
<b>Fuel consumption</b>	[l/h]	14,1	18,6	20,5	25,1
	[USgal/h]	3,7	4,9	5,4	6,6
	[UKgal/h]	3,1	4,1	4,5	5,5
<b>IAS</b>	[km/h]	144	166	174	196
	[knots]	78	89	94	106
	[mph]	90	103	108	122
<b>CAS</b>	[km/h]	139	158	166	185
	[knots]	75	85	90	100
	[mph]	86	98	103	115
<b>TAS</b>	[km/h]	143	163	171	191
	[knots]	77	88	92	103
	[mph]	89	101	106	119
<b>Endurance at</b>	<b>120,0</b> [h:m]	8:30	6:26	5:50	4:46
Range at	120,0 [km]	1220	1050	1000	910
	31,7 USGAL [NM]	659	567	540	491
	26,4 UKGAL [miles]	758	652	621	565
<b>Endurance at</b>	<b>100,0</b> [h:m]	7:05	5:22	4:52	3:59
Range at	100,0 [km]	1020	870	830	760
	26,4 USGAL [NM]	551	470	448	410
	22,0 UKGAL [miles]	634	541	516	472
<b>Endurance at</b>	<b>75,0</b> [h:m]	5:19	4:01	3:39	2:59
Range at	75,0 [km]	760	660	620	570
	19,8 USGAL [NM]	410	356	335	308
	16,5 UKGAL [miles]	472	410	385	354
<b>Endurance at</b>	<b>50,0</b> [h:m]	3:32	2:41	2:26	1:59
Range at	50,0 [km]	510	440	420	380
	13,2 USGAL [NM]	275	238	227	205
	11,0 UKGAL [miles]	317	273	261	236
<b>Endurance at</b>	<b>25,0</b> [h:m]	1:46	1:20	1:13	0:59
Range at	25,0 [km]	250	220	210	190
	6,6 USGAL [NM]	135	119	113	103
	5,5 UKGAL [miles]	155	137	130	118

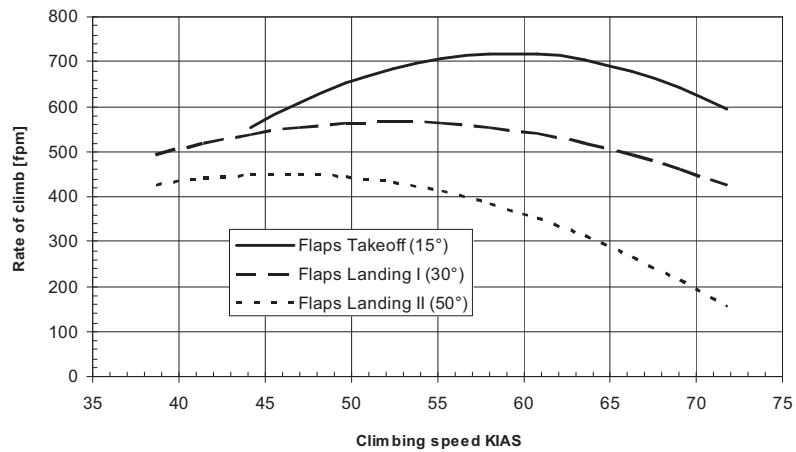




**5.3.4 Balked landing climb**

**Conditions:** - engine: maximum take-off power  
- carburettor preheating: OFF  
- flaps: landing position (50°)  
- airplane weight: 1268 lbs  
- ambient air temperature: ISA

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**5.3.5 Effect on flight performance and characteristics**

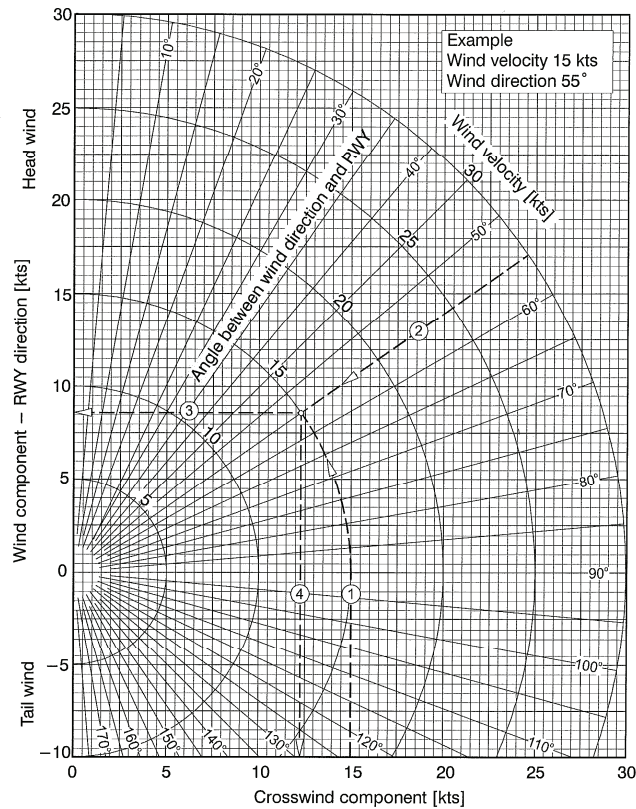
Flight performances and characteristics are not considerably affected by rain or insect stuck on the airplane surface.

**5.3.6 Demonstrated crosswind performance**

Maximum demonstrated speed of wind at airplane operation 24 kts (28 mph)

Maximum demonstrated speed of cross wind for take-off and landing 10 kts (12 mph)

Maximum demonstrated speed of tail wind 6 kts (7 mph)



**Figure 5-1** Influence of wind on take-off and landing



**5.3.7 Ceiling**

Service ceiling of SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> 13 030 ft

**5.3.8 Noise data**

Not measured.

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## **6. WEIGHT AND BALANCE**

### **6.1 Introduction**

This Section includes Weight and Balance Record of empty airplane, Permitted Payload Range within which the airplane may be safely operated, and a method to determine whether the operational weight and CG location will be within the permitted limits range.

Procedure for weighing the airplane and the calculation method for establishing the permitted payload range are contained in the Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures for the SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> Light Sport Aircraft.



## 6.2 Weight and Balance Record

Type	SPORTSTAR		Serial. No.:	Weight change						Basic weight of empty airplane		
	Item No.	Description of part or modification		Added (+)			Removed (-)			Weight (lb)	Moment (lb.in)	
Date			Weight (lb)	Arm (in)	Moment (lb.in)	Weight (lb)	Arm (in)	Moment (lb.in)	Weight (lb)	Moment (lb.in)		
		Manufactured airplane										





### 6.3 Permitted Payload Range

Maximum weight of crew [lbs]												
Date	Empty weight [lbs]	C.G. [% MAC]	FUELLING						Approved			
			Fuel volume	1	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	Date	Signature		
			Fuel volume [U.S. gallons]	31.7	26.4	19.8	13.2	6.6				
			Fuel weight [lbs]	190	159	119	79	40				
			55 lbs									
			26 lbs									
			0 lbs									
			55 lbs									
			26 lbs									
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			55 lbs									
			26 lbs									
			0 lbs									
			55 lbs									
			26 lbs									
			0 lbs									
			B A G G A G E									



## 6.4 Operational Weight and Balance Computation

An important part of preflight planning is to determine that the aircraft is loaded so its weight and CG location are within the allowable limits. This is possible by using hereafter explained Loading graph method, using weights, arms, and moment indexes.

### 6.4.1 Computational Procedure

1. Record into the **Airplane Loading Schedule Chart** current empty weight and static moment of the airplane, which you read from the table 6.2 Weight and Balance Record.
2. Record the weight of crew, fuel, and baggage into the **Airplane Loading Schedule Chart**.
3. See the **Table of Static Moments** or **Airplane Loading Graph** to read static moments for given weights of crew, fuel, and baggage
4. Record found moments into the **Airplane Loading Schedule Chart**
5. Determine Take-off weight of the airplane – add together the airplane empty weight, crew, fuel, and baggage and record the result into the **Loading Schedule Chart**.
6. Check, whether the calculated Take-off weight does not exceed Airplane Maximum Take-off Weight 1268 lb.  
If yes, then it is necessary to reduce weight of some of the useful load items (fuel, baggage).

**WARNING**

**EXCEEDING MTOW MAY LEAD TO  
DETERIORATION OF SAFETY OF FLIGHT!**

7. Determine Total Static Moment of loaded airplane – add together the static moment of empty airplane, crew, fuel, and baggage and record the result into the **Loading Schedule Chart**.
8. Plot Takeoff Weight and Total Static Moment into the **SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> CG Moment Envelope**.
9. Check, whether the intersection of Take-off weight horizontal line and Total Static Moment vertical line is inside the envelope.  
If **YES**, then the flight may be safely performed as regards weight and balance.  
If **NOT**, then it is necessary to change weight of some of the useful load items (crew, fuel, baggage) so that after a repeated



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computation the intersection of Take-off Weight and Total Static Moment will be inside the CG Moment envelope.

**WARNING**

**SAFETY OF FLIGHT PERFORMED WITH THE  
AIRPLANE LOADED OUTSIDE PERMITTED  
LIMITS OF WEIGHT AND STATIC MOMENTS  
MAY BE DETERIORATED!**



## 6.5 Airplane Loading Schedule Chart

Type / Model	SportStar plus	Serial No.:		Registration:	
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Loading Schedule Chart			Sample Aircraft		Your Aircraft	
No	Item	Arm (in)	Weight (lb)	Moment/100 (lb-in)	Weight (lb)	Moment/100 (lb-in)
1.	Empty Airplane	10,39 in	740,75 lb	77,1 lb-in		
2.	Crew	21,45 in	399,04 lb	85,6 lb-in		
3.	Baggage (Max. 55 lb)	42,65 in	11,02 lb	4,7 lb-in		
4.	Fuel (Max. 32 USGAL)	26,75 in	60,41 lb	16,2 lb-in		
5.	Takeoff weight = Sum of weights 1-4 (MTOW 1268 lb) Total moment = Sum of moments 1-4		<b>1211 lb</b>	<b>184 lb-in</b>		

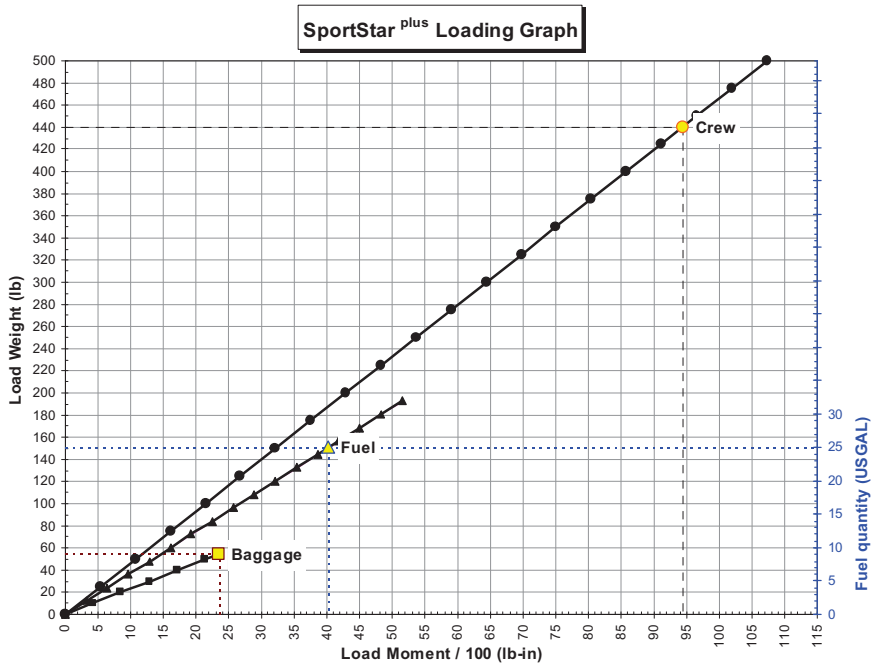


## 6.6 Table of Static Moments

CREW		BAGGAGE		FUEL		
Weight (lb)	Moment/100 (lb-in)	Weight (lb)	Moment/100 (lb-in)	Quantity (USGAL)	Weight (lb)	Moment/100 (lb-in)
0	0,0	0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
100	21,5	2	0,9	1,0	6,0	1,6
120	25,7	4	1,7	2,0	12,0	3,2
140	30,0	6	2,6	3,0	18,0	4,8
160	34,3	8	3,4	4,0	24,0	6,4
180	38,6	10	4,3	5,0	30,0	8,0
200	42,9	12	5,1	6,0	36,1	9,6
220	47,2	14	6,0	7,0	42,1	11,3
240	51,5	16	6,8	8,0	48,1	12,9
260	55,8	18	7,7	9,0	54,1	14,5
280	60,1	20	8,5	10,0	60,1	16,1
300	64,4	22	9,4	11,0	66,1	17,7
320	68,6	24	10,2	12,0	72,1	19,3
340	72,9	26	11,1	13,0	78,1	20,9
360	77,2	28	11,9	14,0	84,1	22,5
380	81,5	30	12,8	15,0	90,1	24,1
400	85,8	32	13,6	16,0	96,1	25,7
420	90,1	34	14,5	17,0	102,1	27,3
440	94,4	36	15,4	18,0	108,2	28,9
460	98,7	38	16,2	19,0	114,2	30,5
480	103,0	40	17,1	20,0	120,2	32,2
500	107,3	42	17,9	21,0	126,2	33,8
520	111,5	44	18,8	22,0	132,2	35,4
540	115,8	46	19,6	23,0	138,2	37,0
560	120,1	48	20,5	24,0	144,2	38,6
		50	21,3	25,0	150,2	40,2
		52	22,2	26,0	156,2	41,8
		54	23,0	27,0	162,2	43,4
		55	23,5	28,0	168,2	45,0
				29,0	174,3	46,6
				30,0	180,3	48,2
				31,0	186,3	49,8
				32,0	192,3	51,4

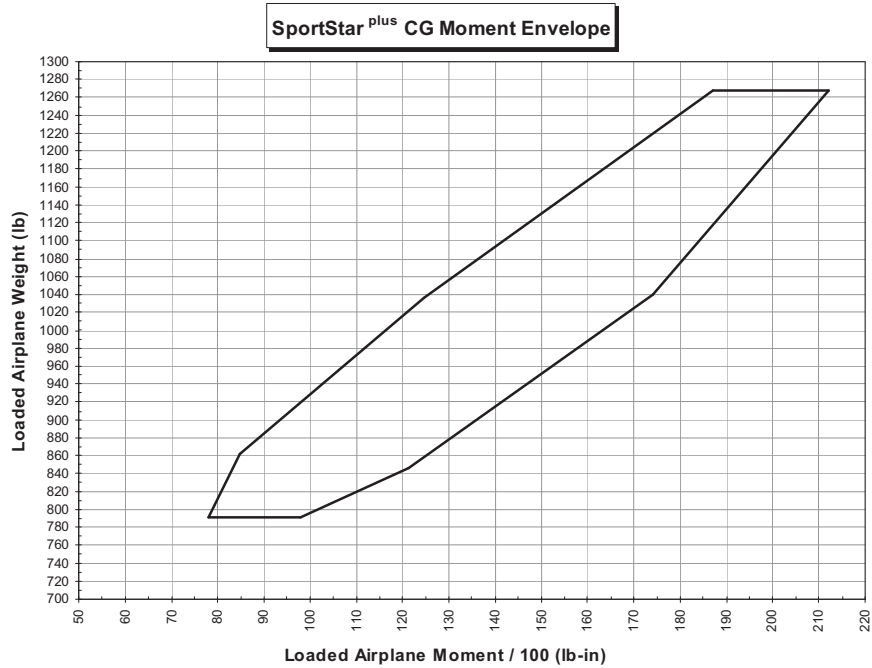


## 6.7 Airplane Loading Graph



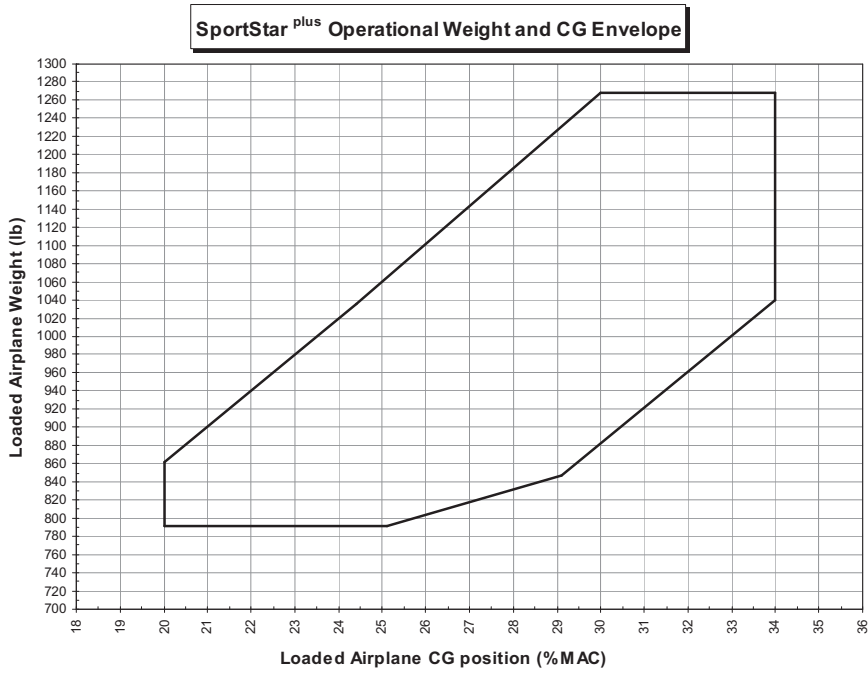


## 6.8 CG Moment Envelope





## 6.9 Operational Weight and CG Envelope







### 6.10 Equipment List

The equipment installed in the airplane of particular serial number is shown in the following Equipment list.

Airplane Serial No.:		Registration		Date:
Description	Type	Part No.	Manufacturer	Installed

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## **7. AIRPLANE AND SYSTEM DESCRIPTION**

### **7.1 Introduction**

This section describes systems of the airplane and its operation. More detailed information on optional systems and equipment are available in section 9, Supplements.

### **7.2 Airframe**

The airframe of SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane is of semimonocoque structure consisting of metal reinforcement, frames and duralumin sheet skin.

#### **7.2.1 Fuselage**

The fuselage is of semimonocoque structure consisting of reinforcements and duralumin skin. Fuselage section is rectangular in the lower part and elliptic in the upper part. The fin is an integral part of fuselage. The cockpit for two-member crew is located in the middle part of the fuselage that is accessible after uncovering the single-piece organic glass canopy. The engine compartment in the front part of the fuselage is separated from the cockpit by the steel fire wall to which the engine bed is attached.

#### **7.2.2 Wing**

The wing is of rectangular shape, single-spar structure with the auxiliary spar with suspended ailerons and split wing flaps. Riveting is used for connecting individual structural elements. Fiber-glass wing tips are riveted on the wing ends.

#### **7.2.3 Horizontal tail unit (HTU)**

The VTU of conventional type consists of the stabilizer and elevator with the trim tab. Single-spar structure of HTU consists of duralumin ribs, spar and skin. Top view of HTU is of rectangular shape.

#### **7.2.4 Vertical tail unit (VTU)**

VTU is of trapezoidal shape. Its fin is an integral part of the fuselage. The rudder is suspended on the fin by means of two hinges. The VTU structure consists of the duralumin spar and skin.



## 7.3 Control

Airplane control consists of ailerons, elevator and rudder. Directional control is connected by means of pull rods with nose landing gear control. Main landing gear brakes are controlled by pedals of directional control.

Airplane is equipped with dual control enabling flight with two-member crew.

### 7.3.1 Longitudinal control

Longitudinal control is actuated by the control stick. Longitudinal movement of control stick is transferred to the elevator by mechanical system of pull rods and levers.

### 7.3.2 Lateral control

Lateral control is actuated by the control stick. From the control stick the movement is transferred through the system of levers and pull rods to ailerons.

### 7.3.3 Rudder control

Rudder control is controlled by pedals of foot control. The rudder is interconnected with foot control pedals by cable system.

Foot control pedals adjustable into three positions can be installed as an option.

Way of adjustment of ruder pedals:

1. Release the pin from the adjusting groove
2. Set pedal to one of three possible positions
3. Check on the pin locking-on in the adjusting groove

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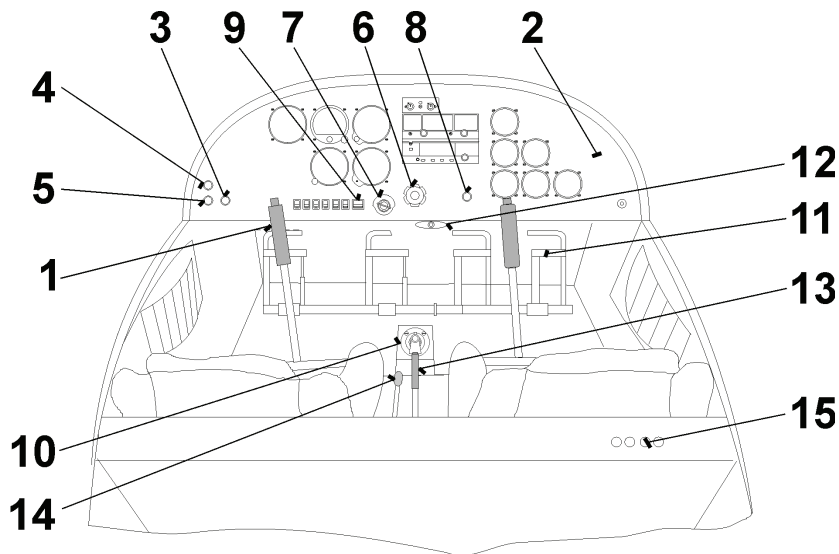
**RIGHT AND LEFT PEDAL OF RUDDER  
CONTROL MUST BE ADJUSTED IN THE  
SAME POSITIONS AND SECURED!**

### 7.3.4 Elevator trim tab control

The elevator trim tab is controlled by the lever located in between the pilot seats. The control lever is interconnected with the trim tab by means of bowdwen-cables.



## 7.4 Controls in cockpit



**Figure 7-1** Cockpit control elements

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|--|--|
| 1. Control stick   | 8. Choke   |
| 2. Instrument panel  | 9. Master switch                                       |
| 3. Carburettor pre-heating knob<br>(if installed)            | 10. Fuel selector                                      |
| 4. Cockpit heating / canopy defog<br>selector (if installed) | 11. Rudder control pedals                              |
| 5. Hot air supply knob (if installed)                        | 12. Emergency parachute<br>system lever (if installed) |
| 6. Throttle lever  | 13. Flaps control lever                                |
| 7. Ignition  | 14. Trim control lever                                 |
|  | 15. Headset sockets                                    |

## 7.5 Instrument panel

See section 9 - supplements.

## 7.6 Inside and outside marking and placards

See Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures.



## 7.7 Landing gear and brakes

### 7.7.1 Landing gear

The airplane is equipped with a sort of fixed nose landing gear. Main landing gear legs are produced from composite spring. Nose landing gear leg is welded from two pieces - the tube and the yoke-in which the nose wheel is mounted. The nose landing gear is spring-loaded by a rubber rope. The nose wheel is steerable, wheel control is coupled with rudder control by means of two pull rods. Wheels can be fitted with fiber-glass aerodynamic pants.

### 7.7.2 Brakes

The SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane is equipped with disk hydraulic brakes on main landing gear wheels. Brake system is composed of brake pedals (these are a part of rudder control pedals), brake pumps, hoses for leading brake liquid, brake yokes with wheel cylinders and brake pads. By depressing the brake pedals compression of brake pumps occurs, which generates pressure in brake circuit and hydraulic cylinders press the brake pads onto the brake disks. Braking pressure can be regulated only by force of brake pedals depressing.

The airplane can be equipped by mechanical manually controlled parking brake. PARKING BRAKE handle is located in between the pilot seats.

## 7.8 Seat and safety harnesses

SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> is a two-seat airplane with side-by-side seats. Seats are fixed, non-adjustable and fitted with light upholstery.

Each of seats is fitted with four-point safety harness which is composed of safety belts, shoulder straps and lock. The safety harness is anchored in the middle of the frame behind the baggage compartment and on the seat sides.

## 7.9 Baggage compartment

Baggage compartment is positioned behind seat rests. Maximum weight of baggage is 55 lbs (25 kg) and is stated on the placard in the baggage compartment. The baggage compartment is fitted with rubber straps for baggage fixation.





## 7.10 Canopy

The cockpit canopy is of a semidrop shape. The framework is composed of metal structure on which the organic glass canopy is fixed by bolts.

The canopy is attached to the fuselage in the front part by two swivel pins by means of which it can be folded up forwards. In order to make opening easier, the actual weight of canopy is balanced by two gas struts, besides the canopy is provided with holders on the lower framework for easier handling. The canopy is provided with the lock in the rear upper part of framework for locking.

## 7.11 Power unit

### 7.11.1 General

The engine ROTAX 912 ULS (100 hp) is used to power SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane.

ROTAX 912 ULS is a four-cylinder, four-stroke engine with opposite cylinders, central cam shaft and OHV valve mechanism.

The on-ground adjustable, composite, 3-blade propeller WOODCOMP KLASSIC 170/3/R. is standardly mounted on the engine ROTAX 912 ULS. Other propeller type can be installed on customer's request - see sec. 9 for detailed information .

### 7.11.2 Engine control

Engine power is controlled by means of THROTTLE lever, which is located in the middle of the instrument panel and which controls engine power range from idle up to maximum take-off . Engine power controller is mechanically interconnected with the flap on carburetters.

If the lever is fully pushed in, then this position corresponds to maximum engine power. If the lever is fully pulled out, then this position corresponds to idle. Rapid changes in engine power setting can be made by pressing down the round button on the lever body and by its pulling out or pushing in. Small changes in power setting can be performed through lever turning (counterclockwise - power increase).

The lever is fitted with the locking ring, counterclockwise turning of which ensures locking of the lever in requested position.



### 7.11.3 Engine instruments

The following analog instruments located on the instrument panel serve for engine performance monitoring. The digital engine monitoring system can be installed in the airplane instead of analog engine instruments.

#### RPM indicator

The electrical RPM indicator is controlled by signal from the generator RPM transmitter. Working range of the RPM indicator is 0 - 7000 RPM.. Colour code is stated in section 2.

#### Cylinder head thermometer

The cylinder head thermometer transmitter senses temperature of cylinder No. 3. Working range of the cylinder head thermometer is 120 ÷ 300°F. Colour code is stated in section 2.

#### Oil thermometer

Oil temperature on engine input is measured by the sensor located behind the oil pump. Working range of oil thermometer is 120 ÷ 300°F. Colour code is stated in section 2.

#### Oil pressure gauge

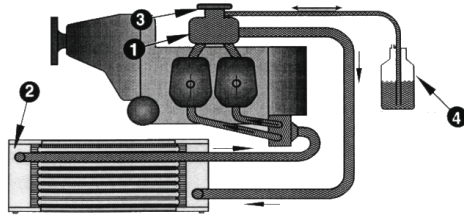
Oil pressure on the oil input into engine is measured by means of sensor which is located behind the oil filter. Working range is 0 ÷ 150 PSI. Colour code is stated in section 2.

### 7.11.4 Engine cooling system

Engine cooling is combined, cylinder heads are cooled by water, cylinders are cooled by air.

Cooling circuit of cylinder heads is designed as a closed system containing pump, expansion reservoir (1) with pressure closure (3), cooler of cooling liquid (2) and drainage reservoir (4). Scheme of cylinder head cooling system is shown in Fig. 7-2.

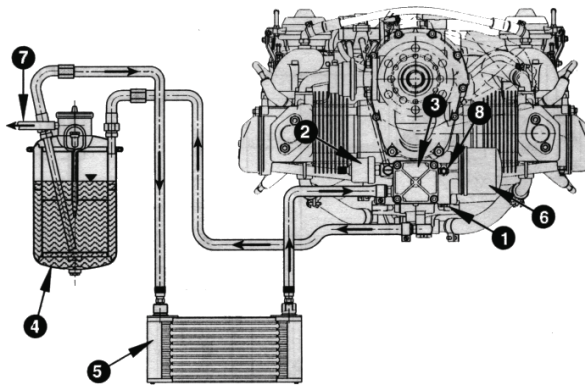
When changing, the cooling liquid is filled up through the cap of expansion reservoir (1), during airplane operation it is replenished into drainage reservoir (4) between the lines of maximum and minimum level.



**Figure 7-2** Scheme of cylinder head cooling system

#### 7.11.5 Engine lubrication system

Engine lubrication system is performed with the dry crank case. Engine lubrication system is equipped with oil pump (1) ensuring oil feeding from reservoir (4) located on the fire wall through the oil cooler (5) and the oil cleaner (6) to the lubricated points of engine. The pressure sensor (2) is located behind the oil pump. The oil reservoir is aerated by the hose (7) which is led under the airplane. Oil pressure and temperature are indicated on instruments in right side of the instrument panel. Oil is replenished through the lid in the upper part of the oil reservoir.



**Figure 7-3** Scheme of engine lubrication system



#### 7.11.6 Engine intake system

Engine intake system ensures delivery of sufficient air into engine. Air is taken into the engine through openings on the engine covers through the air filters.

The intake system can be equipped with carburettor heating system. Hot air from the heat exchanger (located on the exhaust collector) is taken to the mixing chamber. Amount of in-taken hot air is regulated by flaps in mixing chamber inlets. Flaps are controlled by the CARBURETTOR PREHEATER knob on the instrument panel.

#### 7.11.7 Ignition system

The engine is equipped with the double contactless ignition system. Each ignition circuit has own source of energy, control unit, 2 ignition coils and 4 spark plugs. It is fully autonomous on the other circuit of accumulator. High voltage current is distributed to the spark plugs through high-voltage cables. Ignition sequence of individual engine cylinders:

Ignition circuits are controlled by the ignition switch on the instrument panel.

Positions of ignition switch:

OFF	engine ignition is off
R	only ignition circuit B is on
L	only ignition circuit A is on
BOTH	both circuits are on
START	both circuits are on and starter is cranking the engine

#### 7.12 Fuel system

Fuel system serves for keeping fuel in the airplane and its feeding to the engine. Fuel system of SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane is composed of integral fuel tanks, fuel line, fuel selector, fuel filter, mechanical fuel pump - located on the engine (auxiliary electrical fuel pump can be installed), distribution pipe of fuel with, return branch of fuel, fuel gauges and fuel tanks draining valves.

##### 7.12.1 Fuel tanks

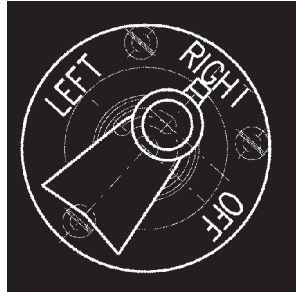
Fuel is contained in the wing integral tanks having volume 15.85 U.S. gallons each. Each tank is fitted with air venting (output is under the wing tip) and draining valve on the bottom side of the wing. Fuel is led from the tanks through the hoses to the fuel



selector located on a central console under the instrument panel and then through a fuel filter to the engine pump and carburetors. Fuel return hose goes from the fuel pump into the left tank, which is due to considered as a “primary” tank. See figure 7-4 for Scheme of fuel system.

#### 7.12.2 Fuel selector

The fuel selector serves for tank selection and fuel delivery interruption in case of engine fire or long parking of airplane. To move selector from OFF (closed) position it necessary pull the safety button on the fuel selector, turn the handle from the OFF position to the left and then release safety button. Now the handle can be freely moved between LEFT and RIGHT position. Safety button prevents unintentionally switch the selector to OFF position. To move selector to OFF (closed) position it is necessary pull the safety button on the fuel selector, turn the handle to the OFF position and then release safety button. Now the handle is blocked in the OFF position. Safety button prevents unintentionally switch the selector from the OFF position during parking.



#### 7.12.3 Fuel filter

The fuel filter separates all mechanical impurities from fuel. The fuel filter is located in the cockpit on the left airframe panel.

#### 7.12.4 Indication of fuel quantity

Fuel quantity is measured by a float fuel gauge transmitter in each tank and indicated on fuel gauge on the instrument panel. LH fuel gauges indicates fuel quantity in the left (primary) tank, RH indicator in the right tank. True fuel quantity is indicated only on ground and



in level flight and it takes approx. 2 minutes to level fuel after transition from climb/descent.

### 7.12.5 Fuel tank draining

Draining of the fuel tank is specified in chapter 8.

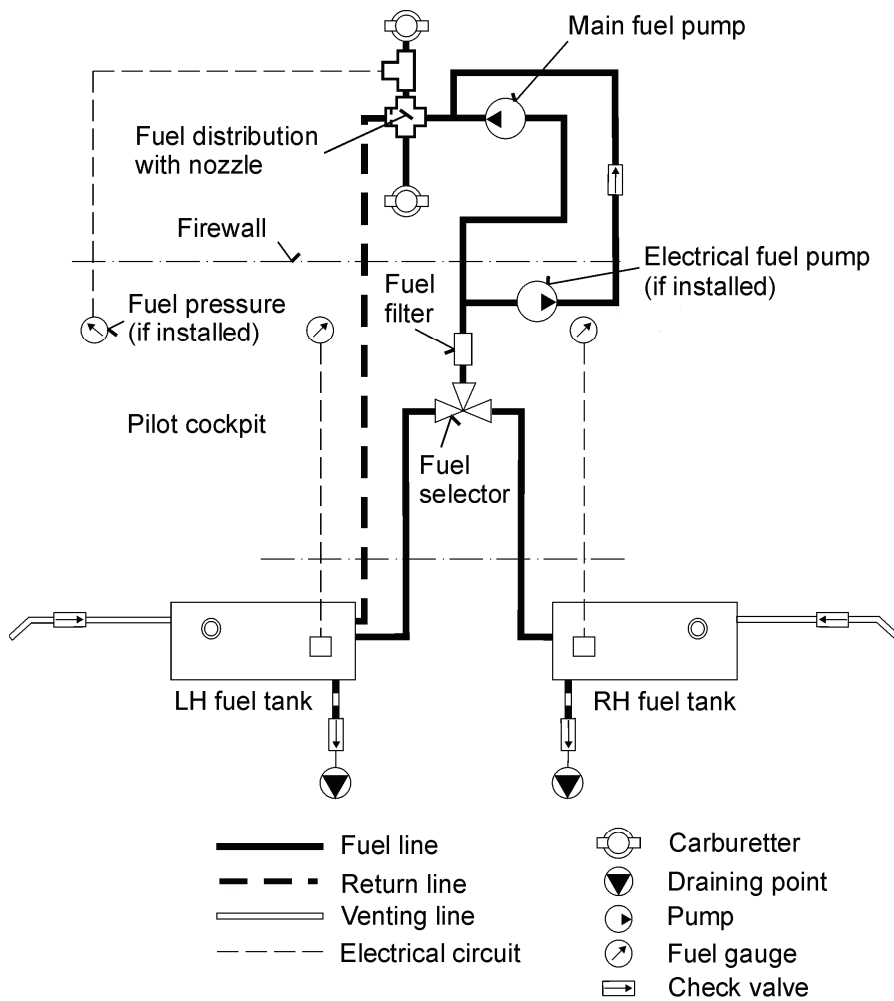


Figure 7-4 Scheme of fuel system



### 7.13 Electrical system

The airplane is equipped with 14 V DC electrical installation. A generator with power of 250 W is the primary source of electrical energy. The secondary source of energy is the accumulator 12V/16Ah that is located in the engine compartment on the fire wall. It is used for engine starting and in case of generator failure as an emergency source of energy and also serves as the smoothing filter of power system.

DC voltage is distributed to individual systems by main busbar. Each system is protected by circuit breaker. If overloading of any of the circuits occurs, then the circuit breaker is pulled out. Circuit breakers are listed in the Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures.

After switching **MASTER SWITCH** on and by turning the ignition key to **START** position the starter is activated. The starter is power supplied from the accumulator before engine start. After engine has been started and idle RPM reached, generator starts supplying current into electrical network.

#### 7.13.1 Lighting

Airplane can be equipped with a external lighting.

External lighting can be composed of position lights and anticollision beacons which are located in wing tip and landing headlight which is located in left wing leading edge or in the lower engine cowling. Position lights are switched by **POS. LIGHTS** switch and anticollision beacon by **BEACON** switch. Landing headlight is switched by **LDG LIGHT** (or **REFLECTOR**) switch.

#### 7.13.2 Electrical system scheme

See Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures - Supplements.



### 7.14 Pitot-static system

Pitot-static tube for sensing static and total pressure is located under the left half of the wing. Total pressure is sensed through the opening in the Pitot-static tube face. Static pressure is sensed through openings on the tube circumference. System of pressure distribution to individual instruments are made by means of flexible plastic hoses. Transparent draining reservoirs are located in the pressure branch of static and total pressure on the left fuselage side by the wing leading edge.

Static pressure is led to altimeter, airspeed indicator, variometer and altitude encoder (if installed). Total pressure is led only to the airspeed indicator.

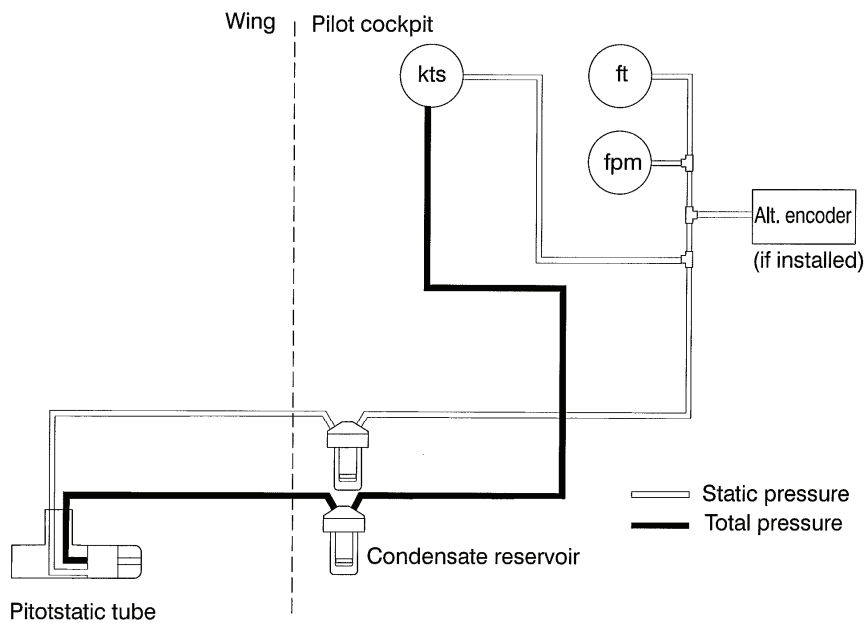


Figure 7-5 Scheme of pitot-static system





## **7.15 Supplementary equipment**

### **7.15.1 Ventilation and heating system**

Cockpit ventilation is ensured by two sliding windows located on the tilting canopy.

Cockpit heating is ensured by hot air from the heat exchanger. The heat exchanger is located on the exhaust pipe collector. Air from outside atmosphere is warmed up in the exhaust pipe collector and delivered through air hoses into the cockpit. Hot air quantity is regulated by the flap which is controlled by the **HOT AIR** knob on the instrument panel. The cockpit heating system can be equipped with a windshield blowing system.

## **7.16 Navigation and communication equipment**

Description of operation of navigation and communication equipment see section 9 - Supplements.

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## 8. AIRPLANE HANDLING SERVICING AND MAINTENANCE

### 8.1 Introduction

This section includes the procedures for airplane handling, maintenance and operation recommended by the manufacturer.

It is necessary to follow the set-down lubrication plan, scope and periodicity of preventive maintenance depending on climatic and flight conditions according to the Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures of SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> Light Sport Aircraft

Airplane owner should be in a permanent touch with the manufacturer, either directly or through the network of business representatives, which enables him to get the newest information concerning airplane operation, handling and maintenance. The manufacturer distributes this information to users through Service bulletins (Mandatory bulletins), Information bulletins (letters) and further instructions.

Mandatory bulletins are especially important for keeping up airworthiness and the manufacturer considers them mandatory although they do not come into effect before Airworthiness Directive is issued by aviation authority of user's country.

All correspondence with the airplane manufacturer, distributor or service center must contain **the airplane serial number**. The airplane serial number is shown on the title sheet of this Instructions and on the production plate behind the rest of pilot seats.

The manufacturer delivers along with aircraft SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> the "Aircraft Operating Instructions (AOI)" and the "Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures (AMIP)".

Qualification requirements to perform maintenance and repairs are mentioned in the AMIP - item 4.1.1.

#### **Owner/Operator Responsibilities:**

- Each owner/operator of an LSA airplane shall read and comply with the maintenance and continued airworthiness information and instructions provided by the manufacturer.



- Each owner/operator of an LSA airplane shall be responsible for providing the manufacturer with current contact information where the manufacturer may send the owner/operator supplemental notification bulletins.
- The owner/operator of an LSA airplane shall be responsible for notifying the manufacturer of any safety of flight issue or significant service difficulty upon discovery.
- The owner/operator of an LSA airplane shall be responsible for complying with all manufacturer issued notices of corrective action and for complying with all applicable aviation authority regulations in regard to maintaining the airworthiness of the LSA airplane.
- An owner of an LSA airplane shall ensure that any needed corrective action must be completed as specified in a notice, or by the next scheduled annual inspection.
- Should an owner/operator not comply with any mandatory service requirement, the LSA airplane shall be considered not in compliance with applicable ASTM Standards and may be subject to regulatory action by the presiding aviation authority.

## **8.2 Airplane inspection period**

Periodical inspections and reviews of airplane must be carried out at the latest in the following intervals:

- after first  $25 \pm 2$  hours of operation
- after every  $50 \pm 3$  hours of operation
- after every  $100 \pm 5$  hours of operation
- annual inspection

Details on periodical inspections are provided in the Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures of SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup>.

Refer to the Rotax 912 Operator's Manual for engine maintenance.  
Refer to the Propeller Maintenance Manual for propeller maintenance.



### **8.3 Modifications or airplane repairs**

All airplane repairs and modifications of airplane must be carried out by qualified personnel in an approved service center ( see AMIP - item 4.1.1.).

Before any repairs/modification is made to the aircraft, consult the Civil aviation authority of the country in which the airplane is registered to assess effect of the repair/modification on the airworthiness.

Basic repairs of airplane are described in the Aircraft Maintenance and Inspection Procedures of SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup>.

### **8.4 Road transport**

#### **8.4.1 Airplane towing**

It is possible to move the airplane on a short distance by holding the fuselage end in the position before the fin, eventually by holding the root part of wings.

The hand towing bar can be used for airplane relocation which will be fastened to the nose wheel axis.

To turn the airplane on the spot, push on the fuselage end part in the area before the fin, lift the nose wheel and turn the airplane in required direction.

#### **WARNING**

**SWITCH OFF IGNITION BEFORE GROUND HANDLING WITH THE AIRPLANE!**

#### **CAUTION**

AVOID EXCESSIVE PRESSURES ON THE AIRFRAME STRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY ON THE WING TIPS, HTU, VTU ETC.

WHEN HANDLING THE AIRPLANE BY MEANS OF THE TOWING BAR, PROPELLER BLADES MUST BE SET TO HORIZONTAL POSITION.



MAXIMUM DEFLECTION OF THE NOSE  
WHEEL IS  $\pm 10^\circ$ .

AT MANUAL ENGINE STARTING GRASP THE  
PROPELLER BLADE AREA, I.E. NOT ONLY  
PROPELLER EDGE.

#### **8.4.2 Airplane parking**

It is the most suitable solution to place the airplane into a hangar possibly into another covered room with stable temperature, good venting, low humidity and dust-free environment. In case of parking out of the hangar it is necessary to anchor the airplane and at long-term parking to cover the canopy, possibly the whole airplane with suitable tarpaulins.

#### **8.4.3 Airplane anchoring**

The airplane is anchored at parking out of hangar after termination of flight day or according to need. Anchoring of the airplane is necessary for its protection against possible damage, caused by wings and gusts. For this purpose the airplane is equipped with fixing eyes on the lower side of wings.

Procedure:

1. Check of fuel selector, off-position of all switches, ignition and master switch.
2. Lock manual control, e.g. by using safety belts
3. Close vent windows
4. Close and lock the cockpit canopy
5. Anchor the airplane to the ground by means of cables pulled through fixing eyes which are located on the lower side of wings. Further it is necessary to anchor the nose landing gear.

#### **NOTE**

In case that long-term airplane anchoring is supposed, namely in winter period, it is suitable to cover the canopy, eventually the whole airplane by appropriate tarpaulins which must be properly secured to the airplane structure.





#### **8.4.4 Airplane jacking**

Airplane jacking presents no big difficulties due to relatively low airplane empty weight and can be performed by two persons.

First, it is necessary to prepare two suitable rests which will support the airplane.

The airplane can be jacked in the following way:

- by pushing from the above to the fuselage rear part in the position before the fin the front part of fuselage can be jacked and subsequently supported under the fire wall.
- Rear part of fuselage can be slightly jacked only by grasping in the position near the auxiliary skid and by pushing from below and then the lower part of fuselage can be supported by the rest located in the area of the skid.
- Wings can be jacked by pushing on the wing from below in the area of the main spar. It is necessary to avoid jacking by grasping the wing tip.

#### **8.4.5 Levelling**

Levelling procedure is described in the Maintenance manual for SPORTSTAR<sup>PLUS</sup> airplane.

#### **8.4.6 Road transport**

The airplane can be transported on communication after its loading on an appropriate trail. It is necessary to dismount wings. The airplane must be secured against possible movement. This way you will preclude possible damage to the airplane.

### **8.5 Draining of fuel tank**

Draining should be done prior to first flight each day. There is a drain valve of each wing tank located on its bottom.

Procedure:

1. Put a transparent cup under the drain valve.
2. Using screwdriver (or appropriate jig) press and turn drain valve counterclockwise to open it.
3. Drain required quantity of fuel.



**NOTE**

Draining serves to elimination of impurities and deposits from the fuel. Drain until clean fuel flows from the drain valve.

4. Using screwdriver (or appropriate jig) turn drain valve clockwise to close it.
5. Repeat procedure for the opposite tank.

**8.6 Cleaning and care**

Always use appropriate cleaning agents when cleaning airplane surface. Residuum of oil and fat can be removed from the airplane surface (excluding the canopy) by suitable detergents, possibly by petrol.

The canopy only to be cleaned by washing with ample stream of tepid water with addition of appropriate detergents. Use soft rag, sponge or wash leather. Use suitable polishing agent after wiping rests of water.

**CAUTION**

NEVER DRY-CLEAN THE CANOPY AND  
NEVER USE PETROL NOR CHEMICAL  
SOLVENTS!

Coating, upholstery and carpets in the cockpit can be removed from the cockpit, brushed and, if need be, cleaned with warm water with addition of appropriate detergent. Dry up upholstery after doing this.