Section VII

OPTIONAL SYSTEMS

This section contains a description, operating procedures, and performance data (when applicable) for some of the optional equipment which may be installed in your Cessna. Owner's Manual Supplements are provided to cover operation of other optional equipment systems when installed in your airplane. Contact your Cessna Dealer for a complete list of available optional equipment.

LONG RANGE FUEL TANKS

Special wings with long range fuel tanks are available to replace the standard wings and fuel tanks for greater endurance and range. Each tank has a total capacity of 19 gallons. Usable fuel in each long range tank, for all flight conditions, is 17.5 gallons.

COLD WEATHER EQUIPMENT

WINTERIZATION KIT.

For continuous operation in temperatures consistently below 20°F, the Cessna winterization kit should be installed to improve engine operation. The kit consists of two shields to partially cover the cowl nose cap opening, the addition of heat ducting from the right exhaust manifold for additional cabin heat, a carburetor airbox heat outlet cap, and insulation for the engine crankcase breather line. Once installed, the crankcase breather insulation is approved for permanent use in both cold and hot weather.

GROUND SERVICE PLUG RECEPTACLE.

A ground service plug receptacle may be installed to permit the use of an external power source for cold weather starting and during lengthy maintenance work on the electrical and electronic equipment.

Just before connecting an external power source (generator type or battery cart), the master switch should be turned "ON." This is especially important since it will enable the battery to absorb transient voltages which otherwise might damage the transistors in the electronic equipment.

The battery and external power circuits have been designed to completely eliminate the need to "jumper" across the battery contactor to close it for charging a completely "dead" battery. A special fused circuit in the external power system supplies the needed "jumper" across the contacts so that with a "dead" battery and an external power source applied, turning the master switch "ON" will close the battery contactor.

RADIO TRANSMITTER SELECTOR SWITCH

Operation of the radio equipment is normal as covered in the respective radio manuals. When the aircraft is equipped with more than one radio having transmitter capabilities, a transmitter selector switch is installed to switch the microphone to the radio unit the pilot desires to use for transmission. The switch is located in the upper left portion of the instrument panel and is labeled "TRANS, 1 and 2." Placing the switch in the upper position, labeled "1," switches the microphone to the upper transmitter; the lower position, labeled "2," switches the microphone to the lower transmitter.

BOOM MICROPHONE

A boom microphone may be mounted in the center of the cabin ceiling. Clips are provided just back of the upper edge of the windshield to stow the microphone when not in use. The boom microphone allows radio communication without the necessity of releasing any controls to handle the normal hand microphone. The microphone keying switch is a push button located on the left side of the pilot's control wheel.

WING LEVELER

A wing leveler may be installed to augment the lateral and directional stability of the airplane. The system uses the Turn Coordinator for roll and yaw sensing. Vacuum pressure, from the engine-driven vacuum pump, is routed from the Turn Coordinator to cylinder-piston servo units attached to the aileron and rudder control systems. As the airplane deviates from a wing level attitude or a given direction, vacuum pressure in the servo units is increased or relieved as needed to actuate the ailerons and rudder to oppose the deviations. The rudder action effectively corrects adverse yaw induced by the ailerons.

A separately mounted push-pull control knob, labeled "WING LVLR," is provided at the lower center of the instrument panel to turn the system on and off. A "ROLL TRIM" control knob on the Turn Coordinator is used for manual roll trim control to compensate for asymmetrical loading of fuel and passengers, and to optimize system performance in climb, cruise and let-down.

OPERATING CHECK LIST

TAKE-OFF.

(1) "WING LVLR" Control Knob -- Check in off position (full in).

CLIMB.

(1) Adjust elevator trim for climb.
(2) "WING LVLR" Control Knob -- Pull control knob "ON".
(3) "ROLL TRIM" Control Knob -- Adjust for wings level attitude.

CRUISE.

(1) Adjust power and elevator trim for level flight.
(2) "ROLL TRIM" Control Knob -- Adjust as desired.

DESCENT.

(1) Adjust power and elevator trim for desired speed and rate of descent.
(2) "ROLL TRIM" Control Knob -- Adjust as desired.

LANDING.

(1) Before landing, push "WING LVLR" control knob full in to the off position.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

If a malfunction should occur, the system is easily overpowered with pressure on the control wheel. The system should then be turned off. In the event of partial or complete vacuum failure, the wing leveler will automatically become inoperative. However, the Turn Coordinator used with the wing leveler system will not be affected by loss of vacuum since it is designed with a "back-up" system enabling it to operate from either vacuum or electrical power in the event of failure of one of these sources.

OPERATING NOTES

(1) The wing leveler system may be overpowered at any time without damage or wear. However, for extended periods of maneuvering it may be desirable to turn the system off.
(2) It is recommended that the system not be engaged during take-off and landing. Although the system can be easily overpowered, servo forces could significantly alter the manual "feel" of the aileron control, especially should a malfunction occur.

FUEL TANK QUICK-DRAIN VALVE KIT

Two fuel tank quick-drain valves and a fuel sampler cup are available as a kit to facilitate daily draining and inspection of fuel in the main tanks for the presence of water and sediment. The valves replace existing fuel tank drain plugs located at the lower inboard area of the wing. The fuel sampler cup, which may be stowed in the map compartment, is used to drain the valves. The sampler cup has a probe in the center of the cup. When the probe is inserted into the hole in the bottom of the drain valve and pushed upward, fuel flows into the cup to facilitate visual inspection of the fuel. As the cup is removed, the drain valve seats, stopping the flow of fuel.

OIL QUICK-DRAIN VALVE

An oil quick-drain valve is optionally offered to replace the drain plug in the oil sump drain port. The valve provides a quicker and cleaner method of draining engine oil. To drain the oil with this valve installed, slip a hose over the end of the valve, route the hose to a suitable container, then push upward on the end of the valve until it snaps into the open position. Spring clips will hold the valve open. After draining, use a screwdriver or suitable tool to snap the valve into the extended (closed) position and remove the drain hose.

TRUE AIRSPEED INDICATOR

A true airspeed indicator is available to replace the standard airspeed indicator in your airplane. The true airspeed indicator has a calibrated rotatable ring which works in conjunction with the airspeed indicator dial in a manner similar to the operation of a flight computer.

TO OBTAIN TRUE AIRSPEED, rotate ring until pressure altitude is aligned with outside air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Then read true airspeed on rotatable ring opposite airspeed needle.

NOTE

Pressure altitude should not be confused with indicated altitude. To obtain pressure altitude, set barometric scale on altimeter to "29.92" and read pressure altitude on altimeter. Be sure to return altimeter barometric scale to original barometric setting after pressure altitude has been obtained.

SERVICING REQUIREMENTS

FUEL:

AVIATION GRADE -- 80/87 MINIMUM GRADE
CAPACITY EACH STANDARD TANK -- 13 GALLONS
CAPACITY EACH LONG RANGE TANK -- 19 GALLONS
(DUE TO CROSS FEEDING BETWEEN FUEL TANKS, THE TANKS SHOULD BE RE-TOPPED AFTER EACH REFUELING TO ASSURE MAXIMUM CAPACITY.)

ENGINE OIL:

AVIATION GRADE -- SAE 40 ABOVE 40° F.
SAE 10W30 OR SAE 20 BELOW 40° F.
(MULTI-VISCOSITY OIL WITH A RANGE OF SAE 10W30 IS RECOMMENDED FOR IMPROVED STARTING IN COLD WEATHER. DETERGENT OR DISPERSANT OIL, CONFORMING TO CONTINENTAL MOTORS SPECIFICATION MHS-24A, MUST BE USED.)

CAPACITY OF ENGINE SUMP -- 6 QUARTS
(DO NOT OPERATE ON LESS THAN 4 QUARTS. TO MINIMIZE LOSS OF OIL THROUGH BREATHER, FILL TO 5 QUART LEVEL FOR NORMAL FLIGHTS OF LESS THAN 3 HOURS. FOR EXTENDED FLIGHT, FILL TO 6 QUARTS. IF OPTIONAL OIL FILTER IS INSTALLED, ONE ADDITIONAL QUART IS REQUIRED WHEN THE FILTER ELEMENT IS CHANGED.)

HYDRAULIC FLUID:

MIL-H-5606 HYDRAULIC FLUID

TIRE PRESSURE:

NOSE WHEEL --- 30 PSI ON 5.00 - 5, 4-PLY RATED TIRE
MAIN WHEELS -- 21 PSI ON 6.00 - 6, 4-PLY RATED TIRES

NOSE GEAR SHOCK STRUT:

KEEP FILLED WITH HYDRAULIC FLUID AND INFLATED WITH AIR TO 20 PSI. DO NOT OVER-INFLATE.