



Takeoff and Landing Procedures

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Piper Warrior/Archer

Normal Takeoff

Flaps.....0°
 Line up on runway centerline:
 Brakes.....Hold
 Rwy/Compass/DG.....Verify aligned (“33,33,33” etc.)
 Brakes.....Release
 Throttle.....Full Power
 Engine Gauges.....Verify in the green
 “Airspeed Alive”
 “V_R”.....”Rotate”
 Pitch.....V_Y
 Trim.....Adjust for V_Y
 Above 1000’ AGL and Clear of Pattern.....Climb Check

Soft-Field Takeoff

Before Taking Runway
 Flaps.....25°
 Flight Controls.....
Full Aft Line up on runway centerline without stopping
 Rwy/Compass/DG.....Verify aligned (“33,33,33” etc.)
 Throttle.....Full Power
 Engine Gauges.....Verify in the green
 “Airspeed Alive”
 Lift-Off.....As soon as possible
 Reduce Pitch to Remain in Ground Effect
 Accelerate to V_X.....Initiate Climb
 200’ AGL.....Flaps 10°, Pitch V_Y
 300’ AGL.....Flaps 0°

Short-Field Takeoff

Before Taking Runway.....Flaps 25°
 Use maximum available runway, line up on centerline:
 Brakes.....Hold
 Throttle.....Full Power/ Verify Max. RPM
 Engine Gauges.....Verify in the green
 Brakes.....Release
 “Airspeed Alive”
Warrior
 “50 Knots”.....”Rotate”
Archer
 “55 Knots”.....”Rotate”
 AccelerateV_X
 200’ AGL (clear of obstacle).....Flaps 10°
 Pitch.....V_Y
 300’ AGL.....Flaps 0°

Soft-Field Landing

Final Approach Speed.....70 KIAS
 Touchdown softly, while holding the nose wheel off the ground as long as possible. Avoid use of the brakes as it will cause weight to be transferred to the nose wheel.
 Continue holding the controls full aft as if taxiing on a soft surface.

Short-Field Landing

Final Approach Speed.....65 KIAS
 Slow to 65 KIAS after turning final and adding full flaps. Keep a constant angle of descent to the touchdown point while slowing the airplane to allow for a touchdown with minimal floating. After touchdown, apply maximum effective braking. If simulating a short field, announce “Simulated Max. Braking” and apply normal braking.

Touch and Goes should not be performed after Short Field Landings.

Traffic Pattern

Downwind --..... 90 KIAS
 Perform Memory Item.....BC-GUMPS
 Before Landing Checklist.....Complete
 (Abeam the Landing Point):
 Power.....1700 RPM
 Below 103 KIAS.....Flaps 10°
 Pitch & Trim for90 KIAS
 Base.....Flaps 25°
 Pitch & Trim for.....80 KIAS
 Final.....Flaps 40°
 Pitch & Trim for.....Final Approach Speed

Go Around/Missed Approach

Cram.....Max Power
 Climb.....Pitch V_Y
 Clean (when landing with use of flaps)
 Flaps25°
 Positive Rate at V_Y.....10°
 Flaps0°
 Cool.....Carb. Heat Off
 Call.....Go around/Missed Approach

