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PILOT'S OPERATING HANDBOOK

AND FAA APPROVED ROTORCRAFT FLIGHT MANUAL

RTR 461

THE R44 IS FAA APPROVED IN NORMAL CATEGORY BASED ON FAR 27 AND FAR 21. THIS HANDBOOK INCLUDES THE MATERIAL REQUIRED TO BE FURNISHED TO THE PILOT BY FAR 27 AND FAR 21 AND MUST BE CARRIED IN THE HELICOPTER AT ALL TIMES.

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SECTION 4
NORMAL PROCEDURES

DAILY OR PREFLIGHT CHECKS

Remove any temporary covers and, in cold weather, remove even small accumulations of frost, ice, or snow. Check maintenance records to be sure aircraft is airworthy. An 8-foot step ladder is recommended for daily preflight inspection of the main rotor; however, the main rotor hub may be reached by first opening the right rear seat and stepping on the seat support and then stepping on the deck below the aux fuel tank.

Check general condition of aircraft and verify no leaks, discoloration due to heat, dents, chafing, galling, nicks, corrosion, or cracks. Also verify no fretting at seams where parts are joined together. Fretting of aluminum parts produces a fine black powder while fretting of steel parts produces a reddish brown or black residue. Verify Telatemps show no unexplained temperature increases during prior flight.

Upper Forward Cowl Doors - Right Side
Master switch On
Oil pressure, alternator, governor lights On
Warning light test switches Push to test
Fuel quantity Check gages
Master switch Off
Aux fuel tank quantity Check
Fuel filler cap Tight
Aux fuel tank No leaks
Aux fuel drain
Gascolator drain Sample
Gearbox Oil full, no leaks
Hydraulic system That All
Hydraulic system Fluid full, no leaks
Rotor brake Actuation normal
Flex coupling No cracks, nuts tight
Yoke flanges
Gearbox Telatemp
Control rod ends Free without looseness
Steel tube frame No cracks
All fasteners
Tail rotor control No interference

DAILY OR PREFLIGHT CHECKS (cont'd)

2. Main Rotor

CAUTION

Do not pull rotor blades down as damage may occur. To lower one blade, push opposite blade up.

Blades Clean and no damage/cracks
Pitch change boots No leaks
Main hinge bolts Cotter pins installed
All rod ends Free without looseness
Pitch link jam nuts Tight
Pitch link safety wire Secure
All fasteners Tight
Swashplate scissors No excessive looseness
Upper forward cowl doors Latched

3. Lower Cowl Door - Right Side

Carb air ductsSecure
Carb heat scoop Secure
Engine sheet metal No cracks
Fuel lines No leaks
Oil lines No leaks or chafing
Exhaust system No cracks
Primer (if installed) Prime as required/
Locked/No leaks
Cowl door Latched

4. Aft Cowl Door - Right Side

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