PRESENTATION

ON AIRCRAFT INSPECTIONS

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AIRCRAFT INSPECTION

The process of systematically examining, checking and testing aircraft structural members, components and systems, to detect actual or potential unserviceable conditions.



TYPES OF INSPECTION

- 1. Scheduled Inspection Scheduled aircraft Inspection refer to any maintenance that either the cabin crew or technician perform at regular interval to ensure that an aircraft ready to fly and airworthy.
- Unschedule Inspection It can happen any time when a component is suspected to having malfunctioned. It can happen after the cabin crew finds a problem with an aircraft during preflight inspection. For example it could be shears vacuum pump, landing gears etc.

SCHEDULED INSPECTION

It includes:

- Annual Inspection
- 100 Hour Inspection
- Preflight Checks
- Progressive Inspection

ANNUAL INSPECTION

- It happens once every 12 month. It is necessary for all aircraft regardless of whether they are used for recreational purpose, flight instruction, hier instruction.
- It includes all examination performed in other aircraft inspection such as flight control & avionics checks.
- It covers more detail than the preflight and 100 hour inspection

100 HOUR INSPECTION

 All aircraft that are operated for flight instruction or hire must under go 50 hours – 100 hours inspection

50 Hour Inspection include inspecting the engine for wear & tear & gaping , cleaning examining the spark plug

PRE FLIGHT CHECKS

The cabin crew has to perform before the plane flies to make sure that nothing is malfunctioned or in a defect.

The preflight plane inspection includes walking around the plane and inspecting any flight control surface & fuselage components for wear and tear & defects.

PROGRESSIVE INSPECTION / PHASE INSPECTION

- It is also known as a phase inspection is utilised when an aeroplane with air tight flight schedule cannot take long in the maintenance hangar. An aircraft owner can schedule a regular Inspection every 25 or 50 hrs.
- Specific components of an aircraft are tested and examined for efficiency and safety during each continuous inspection session.

CHECKS

- The objective of the checks is to conduct both routine and non routine maintenance of the aircraft.
- The maintenance include scheduleding after a certain air time the number of cycles & performing scheduled repairs.
- It also includes four different types of higher level maintenance check A , B & C



A Check

- A check is performed approximately every 400 500 flight hours of every 200 – 300 flights depending on aircraft type .
- The maintenance work during A check often the covers general inspection of the interior and the aircraft hull for evidence of damage deformation corrosion , missing part

B Check

- It often completed during the a checks phase, as Arline and operators have phased out B checks.
- Aviation maintenance professionals perform B maintenance checks approximately every 6 – 8 month. It includes about 160 – 180 labour hours.
- It includes such as checking alignment, corrosion and fluid leakage.

C Check

- C checks are typically fall under the "heavy maintenance" and are much more extensive than the B check. It requires deep inspection of a majority of aircraft parts it take the aircraft out of service for 1-2 week.
- Type of check often require an aircraft to stay at a maintenance facility for the necessary space / tools maintenance technician working hours upto 6000 maintenance hours are typically needed for C Checks.

HAZARDS

- A hazard is anything with potential to cause harm.
- A hazard is any existing or potential condition that can lead to injury, illness or death to people damage to or less of a system, equipment or property or damage to the equipment.



HAZARD IDENTIFICATION SOURCES

- The process identifies & classifies most of the hazards, assess the risk and introduces control.
 - Monitoring of day to day normal operation & environment
 - Information exchange practices between operators.
 - Safety occurrence trend analysis
 - It includes internal investigation of Safety occurrence

HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION METHOD

1. Reactive Hazards identification Method

 Hazard are recognised through trend monitoring & investigation of Safety occurrences incidents & accident are clear indicators of system.

2. Proactive Hazard Identification Method

 Hazard are identified analysing system performance and functions for intrinsic threats and potential failures.

SCOPE OF HAZARD IN AVIATION

The following factors listed in ICAO Safety management manual are example of common hazard sources in aviation.

- Design factors
- Procedure & Operating practices
- Communication
- Personal factors
- Work environment factors

