Guide to Flight Planning Log Sheet

- 1. Safe altitude—Minimum altitude you must fly to be above any terrain features, and to have a suitable landing area within gliding distance in case of engine failure.
- 2. Altitude—Cruising flight altitude. If over 3,000 feet AGL: 0° to 179° magnetic courses fly at odd thousands of feet plus 500. 180° to 359° magnetic courses fly at even thousands plus 500.
- 3. Temperature & Winds aloft forecast—Temperature C, Direction and Wind speed at cruising altitudes or airport waypoint if landing.
- 4. Density Altitude Pressure altitude corrected for temperature.
- 5. Indicated airspeed—Cruising indicated/calibrated airspeed (knots or MPH).
- 6. True airspeed—Indicated/calibrated airspeed (knots or MPH) corrected for calibrated airspeed and density altitude.
- 7. Distance—Miles (statute or nautical)
 - a. for the segment b. segments totaled.
- 8. Course in degrees—True track/direction aircraft travels for flight segment over the ground.
- 9. Heading in degrees—direction the aircraft is pointed after correction for wind crab angle:
 - a. True heading calculated; and
 - b. Magnetic heading for compass (same as true heading adjusted for magnetic variation)
- 10. Ground speed in knots or MPH adjusted from true air speed and wind
- 11. Time en route
 - a. Distance divided by ground speed for leg b. Time totaled for legs.
- 12. Fuel burned per leg
 - a. fuel consumption multiplied by time for the leg b. fuel burned totaled for legs.
- 13. Communication frequencies for the Checkpoint
- 14. Airport runways/patterns—List preferred runways, patterns LH/RH, pattern altitudes for intended airports.
- 15. Performance check for airports—Calculate and verify weight/balance for all aspects of the flight including route and takeoff/landing distances for intended and possible diverted airports.
- 16. Additional time and fuel burned at airports or checkpoints doing landings, getting fuel, etc...

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	Route		Route		Route	
Departure location ID			segment 2 Checkpoint ID		segment 3 Checkpoint ID	
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	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual
1. Safe Altitude		Х		Х		Х
2. Altitude						
3. Temp/Winds aloft forecast						
4. Density Altitude						
5. Indicated Air Speed						
6. True Air Speed		Х		Х		Х
7. a. Distance leg						
b. Distance total		Х		Х		Х
8. True course		Х		Х		Х
9. a) True heading		Х		Х		Х
b) Magnetic heading						
10. Ground speed						
11. a) Time to checkpoint						
b) Time total						
12. a) Fuel burned per leg						
b) Fuel burned total						
13. Radio frequencies		1		1		•
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14. Runways/patterns						
15. Performance check for						
airports						
16. Additional time/fuel for						
airports or checkpoints						