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BE58 Normal Checklist Revision 3

Introduction

The Baron 58 Normal Checklist is updated to Revision 3 and is now available in DocStore under [OMB -> BAVirtual Flying Club -> Baron 58](#).

This revision incorporates substantial changes to Normal Procedures. The aims of these changes have been:

- Remove items which were not relevant/unable to be checked/operated in the sim
- Improve the sequencing of items to make more logical sense
- Improve consistency of wording and procedures
- Greater emphasis on briefings and TEM
- Update procedures to be more in line with current real-world operational practices in MEP training aircraft
- Inclusion on the checklist of useful reference items and aide-memoires
- Improved clarity to enhance standardisation
- Better harmonisation with C172 and BA mainline procedures where appropriate

A full summary of changes is enclosed below. Particularly significant changes include:

- Engine Start and Before Takeoff checks divided in to 'above the line' and 'below the line' portions
- Approach and Landing checks reworked and now split in to Initial Approach, Landing and Final checks for harmonisation with OEI procedure.
- Addition of standardised briefings

A full customised BAVirtual BE58 FCOM incorporating full expanded procedures is in production and will be released in the coming months to accompany these checklists.

Normal Checklist Usage

In multi-crew flying SOPs establish tasks for each crew member – the Pilot Flying, or PF, and the Pilot Monitoring, or PM. Tasks are generally associated with calls and actions (for example, the PF may call “gear up” and the PM raises the gear and responds “gear up”).

In most cases, PF and PM duties are independent of who is Pilot in Command (PIC), i.e. the Captain, or Co-pilot, e.g. the First Officer, with PF and PM duties switching between Captain and Co-pilot on each leg.

During multi-engine training it is not the role of the instructor to function as either PF or PM. However, training can still be conducted in a fashion which best prepares students for an airline-style multi-crew operation. Accordingly, the procedures laid out in this manual are PF-focused, with no procedural responses or inputs from a PM. The PF is, in effect, the student acting as PIC.

As a rule, pilots should never deviate from SOPs; it has been clearly established through research that when deviation occurs there is a much greater probability of an incident or accident. The BAV Beech Baron SOPs must be memorised and practiced during all training flights.

Checklist Layout and Usage

There are two checklist formats used in BAVirtual multi-engine training: “flow checks” and “self-challenge/response”.

Flow Checks

The Flow Checks method requires that the checklist sequence is first completed from memory, and then the checklist reviewed to ensure that all items contained on the checklist for the specified phase are double-checked: the items are read from the checklist and physically or visually confirmed.

In BAVirtual BE58 operations, the **Taxi Check** and all airborne checklists from **Before Takeoff (Below the Line)** up to and including **Final** are completed as flow checks. The items are completed silently and then the checklist read aloud, with each item physically or visually confirmed, to verify the appropriate actions have been completed.

The checklists to be conducted using the Flow Checks methods are headed with a blue background.

Self-Challenge/Response

In the Self-Challenge/Response method, all items are sequentially completed as the checklist is read aloud. In BAVirtual BE58 operations, the **Before Start, Engine Start, After Start** and **Before Takeoff (Down to the Line)** checks, plus **After Landing** up to and including **Shutdown** are conducted as self-challenge/response checklists.

The checklists to be completed using the Self-Challenge/Response method are headed with a yellow background.

It is BAVirtual Flight Training policy that in single-pilot operations the aircraft is stopped with the park brake set prior to reading any self-challenge/response checklist. If an instructor or other competent pilot is occupying the right hand seat and expediency is required or desirable (e.g. to avoid an unacceptable delay to other airfield users) they may elect to carry out the checklist whilst the student/LHS pilot taxis the aircraft or vice versa.

Before Start Check	Before Start Check
Seats & harness Position & locked	Merlin Initialised
Park brake Set ON	Seats & Harnesses Position & Locked
Avionics All OFF	Park Brake ON
Oxygen Checked	Gear Handle DOWN
Emerg. Static Source Drained & NORMAL	Cowl Flaps OPEN
Gear Handle DOWN	Fuel Valves ON
Cowl Flaps OPEN	Circuit Breakers IN
Fuel Valves ON	Magneto Switches OFF
Circuit Breaker's ALL IN	External Lights OFF
Switches As Req'd	Avionics OFF
Ancillary Equipment Controls Check	Prop Sync OFF
Battery & Alternator s/w's ON	Ice Protection OFF
(If using ext pwr, Alt s/w's OFF)	NAV/GPS Selector NAV
Fuel Quantity Checked	Fuel Boost Pumps OFF
Gear pos ⁿ lights 3 Greens	Flap Selector & Flap Position Agree
Flight Controls Check	Battery & Alternator s/w's ON
Trims SET	(If using ext pwr, Alt s/w's OFF)
Emerg Gear Crank Stowed	Fuel Quantity Verify
BAV Merlin Configured	Gear Position Lights 3 green
Briefing Completed	Flight Controls Check
	Trims Set
	Departure Briefing Complete

The usual start sequence is right, then left.

Engine Start Check	Engine Start Check
Beacon & Nav Lights ON	Beacon & Nav Lights ON
Engines Clear	Mixtures Full RICH
Mixture Full Rich	Pitch Levers Full FINE
Pitch levers Fully Fine	---START APPROVED---
Throttle Full Open	Avionics OFF
Fuel Boost Pump Hi	Propeller Area Clear
(until fuel flow peaks, then OFF)	Throttle Full OPEN
Throttle Close	Fuel Boost Pump Hi
Magnetos/Start S/w START	(until fuel flow peaks, then OFF)
(release to BOTH when engine starts) Throttle Set 900 to 1,000 rpm	Throttle CLOSE, then OPEN ½ Inch
Oil Pressure 10 psi within 30 secs	Magneto Switch START
External Power (if used) Disconnect	(release to BOTH when engine starts)
Alternator (if ext pwr used) ON	Throttle 1,000 rpm
Electrics 28 volts and Charging	Oil Pressure 10 psi within 30 secs
START Annunciator Extinguished	External Power (if used) Disconnect
	Alternator (if ext pwr used) ON
	Electrics 28V and Charging
	START Annunciator Extinguished
	Repeat for second engine

Commence the After Start Check once both engines are running.

After Start Check	After Start Check
Avionics..... ON, tune as req'd	Avionics ON
Flight Instruments.....Set & Checked	Radios..... Tune
Engine Instruments.....Check	Flight Instruments Set & Check
<i>(Do NOT operate above 1,200 rpm until oil temp is 24^o C min and oil press in green arc)</i>	Engine Instruments Check
Mixture..... Lean for taxi	External Lights As Req'd
Taxi Area..... Clear	
External lights..... As req'd	

The taxi check is completed by scan flow once taxi clearance has been received.

Taxying Check	Taxi Check
Brakes.....Check	Taxi Area..... Clear
Flight Insts.....Check	Brakes.....Check
	Flight Instruments Check

Commence the Before Takeoff Check once the aircraft is stopped at the engine run-up area with the parking brake set.

Before Take-Off Check	Before Take-Off Check
Park brake ON	Park Brake ON
Seat harness(es)..... Secure	CabinSecure
Fuel Pumps..... OFF	Fuel Boost Pumps..... OFF
<i>(If OAT 32^oC or aboveLOW)</i>	<i>(If OAT 32^oC or aboveLOW)</i>
Engine insts.....Normal	Engine Instruments Check
Fuel quantity indicators.....Check	Fuel Quantity..... Verify
Mixture..... Full rich	Mixtures Full RICH
Fuel valves..... ON	Fuel Valves ON
Start annunciator OFF	Start Annunciator OFF
Throttles..... 2,200 rpm	Throttles 2,200 rpm
Pitch levers..... Check	Pitch Levers Check
<i>(Retard to 2,000 rpm ONLY)</i>	Throttles 1.700 rpm
Throttles..... 1.700 rpm	Magnetos Check
Magnetos Check	Throttles 1,500 rpm
Throttles..... 1,500 rpm	Pitch LeversFeathering Check
Pitch levers..... Feathering Check	<i>(retard to max drop of 300 rpm)</i>
<i>(retard to max drop of 300 rpm)</i>	Throttle IDLE, then 1,000 rpm
Throttle Set IDLE, then 900—1,000 rpm	Flaps UP
Flaps..... As req'd and checked	Flight Controls Check
Flight controls Checked	Ice Protection As Req'd
Ice Protection..... As req'd	Windows and Doors Locked Closed
Windows and doors Locked Closed	Takeoff Briefing Rwy/Intx/SID/Extras
Strobe light..... ON	---ENTERING RUNWAY---
	Approach..... Check Clear
	Strobe Light ON
	Landing Light ON
	Transponder Mode C

Carry out the After Takeoff Check passing 1,000ft aal.

After Take-Off Check	After Take-Off Check
Landing gear..... Up	Landing Gear UP
Flaps..... Zero <i>(Clear of obstacles and min IAS 85 kts)</i>	Flaps UP
External lights..... As req'd	External Lights As Req'd
	Cowl Flaps CLOSE
When in steady initial climb:	
Throttles..... Full	
Pitch levers..... 2,700 rpm	
Mixture..... Lean to schedule	
Cowl flaps..... OPEN	
IAS 105 kts	

Carry out the Cruise Climb check once the After Takeoff Check has been completed and when initiating any enroute climb.

Cruise Climb Check	Cruise Climb Check
Pitch levers..... 2,500 rpm	Pitch Levers 2,500 rpm
Throttles..... Full	Throttles Full OPEN
Mixture..... Lean to schedule	Mixture..... As Req'd
IAS 136 kts	Eng Temps Monitor
Eng Temps..... Monitor	Fuel Boost Pumps..... As Req'd
Cowl flaps..... As req'd	
Fuel pumps..... As req'd	

Carry out the Cruise Check when level at the initial cruising altitude and after levelling off at any subsequent new cruising altitudes enroute.

Cruise Check	Cruise Check
Cowl flaps..... Closed	Power Set
Power..... Set	Fuel Boost Pumps..... As req'd
Fuel pumps..... As req'd	Mixture..... Lean using EGT
Mixture..... Lean using EGT	Prop Sync..... As Req'd

Carry out the Before Descent check at least 5 minutes prior to top of descent (IFR) or 10-15 NM from the destination airfield (VFR)

Pre-Descent Check	Before Descent Check
Destination weather Obtain	Destination weather Obtain
Briefing Rwy, App, Alternate	Briefing Complete
Altimeter Setting	Navigation Aids Set
Mixture..... Rich	Minimum Safe Altitude Check
Cowl flaps..... Closed	Fuel Check Qty
Flaps..... As req'd	Mixtures Full RICH
Windshield Defrost As req'd	

Carry out the Initial Approach Check when beacon outbound or being vectored toward late downwind/base (IFR) or prior to joining the circuit (VFR)

Approach Check	Initial Approach Check
Brakes.....OFF	Taxi LightON
Undercarriage.....As req'd	Landing Light.....ON
Mixture.....Full Rich	Prop Sync OFF
Pitch levers.....Full fine	Mixtures..... Full RICH
Fuel.....Check	Pitch Levers Full FINE
Flaps.....As req'd	Radios..... Tuned and Identified
<i>(Max IAS 152 kts with 15^o flap set)</i>	Altimeter Set and Checked
Hatches & Harness(es)..... Secure	Approach/Minimum State
Seats.....Landing position	Cabin Secure
Cowl flaps.....As req'd	
Briefing Completed	

Carry out the Landing Check at half-scale GS deflection or 1 NM prior to the FAF (IFR) or abeam the landing threshold (VFR)

Landing Check
Brakes..... OFF
Landing Gear DOWN, 3 green
FlapsAPH
Mixtures Full RICH
Pitch Levers Full FINE

Carry out the Final Check once descending on final approach and landing assured, or at Asymmetric Committal Height with landing assured when OEI.

Landing Check	Final Check
Undercarriage..... Down, 3 greens	Pitch Levers Full FINE
Flaps..... Full (30 ^o)	Landing Gear DOWN, 3 green
Speed.....Landing speed	Flaps FULL
<i>(Max IAS 122 kts with 30^o flap set)</i>	
Landing Lights ON	

Carry out the After Landing Check once clear of the active runway.

After Landing Check	After Landing Check
Landing & taxi lights..... As req'd	Flaps UP
Flaps.....UP	Landing Light OFF
Cowl flaps..... OPEN	Strobe Light OFF
Fuel pumps..... As req'd	Transponder STANDBY
Trims Set to zero	Cowl Flaps OPEN
	Fuel Boost Pumps.....As Req'd
	Trims Set to zero

Shut-Down Check	Shutdown Check
Park brake ON	Park Brake ON
Pitch levers Full fine	Pitch Levers Full FINE
Throttles Set 1,000 rpm	Throttles 1,000 rpm
Fuel pumps OFF	Fuel Boost Pumps OFF
Electrical & avionic equipment OFF	Avionics OFF
Throttles Set 1,700 rpm	Throttles 1,700 rpm
Magnetos Check	Magnetos Check
Throttles Set idle, then 1,000 rpm	Throttles IDLE, then 1,000 rpm
Mixture Idle Cut off	Mixtures Idle Cut-off
Magnetos OFF	Magnetos OFF
Alternators OFF	Alternators OFF
Battery OFF	Battery OFF
Flight controls Locked	Flight Controls Locked
Merlin PIREP Check Filed	Merlin PIREP Check Filed
	Note: <i>If aircraft to be parked for extended time, ensure wheels are chocked and park brake released.</i>