

Autothrottle & Autopilot Useage during landing

Autothrottles

Under normal circumstances, they are to be used for ALL 3 & 4 engine approaches. For manual landings the autothrottles must be disengaged at 40' RA, the power at disengagement being maintained until 15' RA. For automatic landings they should be disconnected on main landing gear contact.

Autopilot

Basically, as far as approaches are concerned when you are at M0.93 and below you can start to hand fly - it would be most unusual to hand fly above that speed but there are occasions when you would do so, but they are primarily related to emergency or abnormal situations.

For a manual approach, where you aren't hooked up to an ILS then the autopilot should be disconnected by 1,000' RA. There are other times when you could use the autopilot below 1,000' RA when you're not on the ILS but even then, you must disconnect it by 500' RA.

For a reduced noise approach (where you maintain 190kts until 800' RA), the autopilot should be disconnected by 200' RA.

For a CAT1 approach, the autopilot should be disconnected by 100' RA.

The above was taken from a Forum Sticky post, which has now been removed.