



**PIPER ARCHER III  
PA-28-181  
NORMAL PROCEDURES  
CHECKLIST**

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Rotation Speed.....65	Vno.....125
Vy (SL).....76	Vne.....154
Vx (SL).....64	Best Glide.....76
Vso.....49	
Vs.....55	
Vfe.....102	
Va .....113-89	Max T/O.....2550lbs
Max Xwind.....17	Max LND.....2550lbs

KAPA - Tower	118.9
KAPA - Ground	121.8
KAPA - ATIS	120.3
KAPA - Approach	132.75
KBJC - Tower	118.6
KBJC - Ground	121.7
KBJC - ATIS	126.25
KBJC - Approach	126.1
KFTG - Tower	120.2
KFTG - Ground	124.7
KFTG - ATIS	119.25
FSS	122.2

**BEFORE STARTING ENGINE**

1. Brakes.....SET
2. Circuit breakers.....CHECK IN
3. Alternate static source.....OFF
4. Carburetor heat.....full cold
5. Avionics.....OFF
6. Fuel selector.....desired tank
7. Passenger Briefing.....complete

**NORMAL START- COLD ENGINE**

1. Throttle..... $\frac{1}{4}$  in. open
2. Battery master switch.....ON
3. Anti-Collision Lights.....ON
4. Alternator switch.....ON
5. Magnetos.....ON
6. Electric fuel pump.....ON
7. Prime.....As Necessary
8. Mixture.....SET
9. Propeller.....clear
10. Starter.....engage
11. Throttle.....adjust
12. Oil pressure.....check

**NORMAL START- HOT ENGINE**

1. Throttle..... $\frac{1}{2}$  in. open
2. Battery master switch.....ON
3. Alternator switch.....ON
4. Magnetos.....ON
5. Anti-Collision Lights.....ON
6. Electric fuel pump.....ON
7. Mixture.....SET
8. Propeller.....clear
9. Starter.....engage
10. Throttle.....adjust
11. Oil pressure.....CHECK

**ENGINE START WHEN FLOODED**

1. Throttle.....open full
2. Battery master switch.....ON
3. Anti-Collision Lights.....ON
4. Alternator switch.....ON

5. Magnetos.....ON
6. Electric fuel pump.....OFF
7. Mixture.....idle cut-off
8. Propeller.....clear
9. Starter.....engage
10. Mixture.....advance
11. Throttle.....retard
12. Oil pressure.....CHECK

**STARTING WITH EXTERNAL POWER**

**SOURCE**

1. Battery master switch.....OFF
  2. Alternator switch.....OFF
  3. Magnetos.....ON
  4. All electrical equipment.....OFF
  5. Terminals.....connect
  6. External power plug.....Insert
- Proceed with normal start**
7. Throttle.....lowest possible RPM
  8. Right magneto switch.....ON
  9. External power plug - disconnect from fuselage
  10. Battery master switch.....ON
  11. Anti-Collision Lights.....ON
  12. Alternator switch...ON-check ammeter
  13. Oil pressure.....check

**WARM-UP**

1. Throttle.....800 to 1200 RPM
2. Avionics.....ON
3. Radios.....ON & SET

**TAXIING**

1. Taxi area.....clear
2. Parking brake.....released
3. Mixture .....SET
4. Lights.....as needed
5. Throttle.....apply slowly
6. Brakes.....check
7. Steering.....check

## GROUND CHECK (RUN-UP)

1. Parking break.....set
2. Throttle.....2000 RPM
3. Mixture.....SET
4. Magnetos.....max. drop 175 RPM  
max. diff. 50 RPM
5. Vacuum.....4.8 to 5.2 in. Hg
6. Oil temperature.....check
7. Oil Pressure.....check
8. Air conditioner.....check
9. Ammeter.....check
10. Annunciator panel.....press-to-test
11. Carburetor heat .....check  
.....approx. 75 RPM drop
12. Fuel Tank.....Switch Tanks
13. Electric fuel pump.....OFF
14. Fuel pressure.....check
15. Throttle.....idle
16. Throttle.....1,000 RPM
17. Takeoff Briefing.....complete

## BEFORE TAKEOFF (RUN-UP)

1. Battery master switch.....verify ON
2. Alternator switch.....verify ON
3. Magnetos.....verify ON
4. Flight instruments.....check
5. Fuel selector.....fullest tank
6. Electric fuel pump.....ON
7. Lights.....as needed
8. Engine gauges.....check
9. Carburetor heat.....OFF
10. Mixture.....set
11. Seat backs.....erect
12. Seats.....adjusted and locked in position
13. Belts/harness.....fastened/check
14. Empty seats.....seat belts  
.....securely fastened
15. Flaps.....set
16. Trim.....set
17. Controls.....free
18. Door.....latched

19. Air conditioner.....OFF

## TAKEOFF

### NORMAL TECHNIQUE

1. Flaps.....set
2. Trim.....set
3. Accelerate to 60 KIAS
4. Control wheel.....back pressure  
.....to smoothly rotate to climb attitude

### SHORT FIELD OBSTACLE CLEARANCE

1. Flaps.....25 (second notch)
2. Trim.....slightly aft of neutral
3. Throttle...full power prior to brake release
4. Accelerate to .....55 KIAS  
.....(depending on aircraft weight)
5. Control wheel .....back pressure  
.....to rotate to climb attitude
6. After breaking ground.....accel to 60  
.....(depending on aircraft weight)
7. Accelerate to best flaps up angle to  
climb speed .....64 KIAS
8. Flaps.....retract slowly
9. Accelerate to best flaps up rate of climb  
speed .....76 KIAS

## CLIMB

1. Best rate.....76 KIAS
2. Best angle.....64 KIAS
3. En route.....87 KIAS
4. Electric fuel pump.....OFF
5. Lights.....as needed

## CRUISING

1. Power.....set per power table
2. Mixture.....adjust
3. Lights.....as needed

## DESCENT

### NORMAL

1. Throttle.....2500 RPM
2. Airspeed.....122 KIAS
3. Mixture.....SET
4. Carburetor heat.....ON if required

### POWER OFF

1. Carburetor heat.....ON if required

2. Throttle.....closed
3. Airspeed.....as required
4. Mixture.....as required
5. Power.....verify  
.....with throttle every 30 seconds

## APPROACH AND LANDING

1. Fuel selector.....proper tank
2. Seat backs.....erect
3. Seats.....adjust and locked in position
4. Belts/harness.....fasten/adjust
5. Electric fuel pump.....ON
6. Lights.....as needed
7. Mixture.....SET
8. Flaps.....set - 102 KIAS max
9. Air conditioner.....OFF
10. Initial approach speed.....75 KIAS
11. Final approach speed.....66 KIAS

## AFTER LANDING

1. Flaps.....retract
2. Electric fuel pump.....OFF
3. Mixture.....lean for taxi back
4. Lights.....as needed

## STOPPING ENGINE

1. Air conditioner.....OFF
2. Avionics master switch.....OFF
3. Electrical switches.....OFF
4. Throttle.....closed
5. Mixture.....idle cut-off
6. Magneto switches.....OFF
7. Lights.....OFF  
(Leave Beacon On)
8. Alternator switch.....OFF
9. Battery master switch.....OFF

## PARKING

1. Parking Brake.....SET
2. Flaps.....full up
3. Control Wheel .....secured with belts
4. HOBBS & TACH.....record
5. Doors.....locked
6. Wheel chocks.....in place
7. Tie downs.....secure