



This investigation has been conducted in accordance with  
*Annex 13 to the ICAO Convention on International Civil  
Aviation, EU Regulation No 996/2010 and  
The Civil Aviation (Investigation of Air Accidents and Incidents) Regulation; Legal  
Notice 16 of 2013.*

Under these Regulations, the sole objective of the investigation of an accident or incident is the prevention of accidents and incidents in the future. It is not the purpose of this investigation to assign fault or blame and the reporting process should not be used to determine liability.

**9H-AEB runway excursion at Malta International Airport  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2021**

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## 1. General Information.

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<b>Location:</b> Malta International Airport	<b>Accident Number:</b> BAAI/SIR 011121
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021, 15:00	<b>Registration:</b> 9H-AEB
<b>Aircraft:</b> Piper PA-34-200T Seneca II	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>
<b>Defining Event:</b> Runway excursion during landing from RWY31	<b>Injuries:</b> No injuries Reported

## 2. Synopsis

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2.1 A Piper PA-34-200 Seneca performed a controlled crash landing on RWY 31 in the afternoon of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021. After take-off, the landing gear was retracted at a speed higher than the recommended *gear retraction speed (VLO)*. The right main landing gear did not fully retract and stopped at an intermediate position.

2.2 The reaction of the crew was to recycle the landing gear and this time it operated normally. This was confirmed by the landing gear position indicator lights in the cockpit centre instrument panel.

2.3 During the approach to land, after selecting the gear down, the right main landing gear did not extend to the full down and locked position.

2.4 Following an unsuccessful attempt to manually extend the landing gear, and after performing a series of manoeuvres, the landing gear still did not unjam, a decision to perform a controlled crash landing was made.

2.5 In the final stage of the approach, the right engine was turned-off close to the threshold of RWY31. The Pilot now had to deal with a single engine and partial gear up landing.

2.6 After landing, the aircraft skidded on the runway for 300 meters, following which it suffered an excursion into the grass.

### 3. Factual Information

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#### 3.1 Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

**Aircraft Make:** Piper

**Model/Series:** Piper PA-34-200T Seneca II

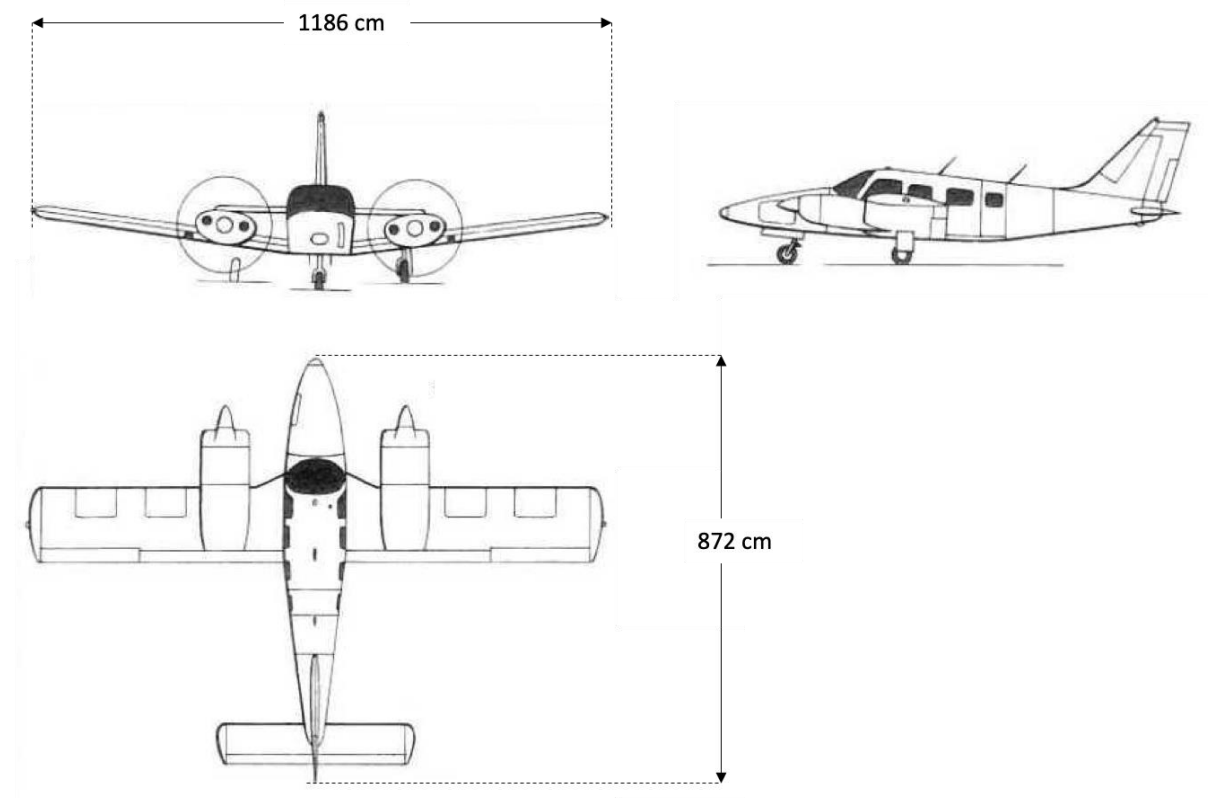
**Aircraft Owner:** Falcon Alliance

**Registration:** 9H-AEB

**Aircraft Category:** Multi-engine airplane

**Year of Manufacture:** 1978

**Landing Gear Type:** Tricycle



*Fig. 1: Overview of the aircraft dimensions*

### **3.2 Meteorological Information**

**Conditions at Accident Site:** Visual conditions clear

**Condition of Light:** Day

**Lowest Cloud Condition:** N/A

**Visibility:** More than 10 km

**Lowest Ceiling:** N/A

**Wind Speed/Gusts:** 5 – 8 kts

**Forecast/Actual:** Reported

**Wind Direction:** 90 degrees

**Forecast/Actual:** Reported

**Altimeter Setting:** N/A

**Temperature/Dew Point:** N/A

**Precipitation and Obscuration:** None

*Note: Weather is not considered to have contributed to the accident*

### **3.3 Airport Information**

**Airport:** Malta International Airport

**Geographical coordinates:** N 35<sup>0</sup>51'/E 014<sup>0</sup>28'

**Runway Designation:** RWY 31

**Runway Heading:** 312<sup>0</sup>

**Runway Surface Type:** Tarmac

**Airport Elevation:** 230 ft

## 4. On-Site Evidence

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4.1 The BAAI was called onsite shortly after the accident. The aircraft lay resting on the grass adjacent to RWY31. Markings on the runway indicate that the aircraft had skidded on the runway for 300m before coming to rest. The footrest ploughed through the grass, as shown in Fig. 1. Fig 2. shows the landing gear (*on the right-hand side of the aircraft*) that had failed to fully extend. Fig. 3 shows the final resting position of the aircraft relative to RWY31. Fig. 4 shows a trajectory of the airplane after touchdown.



*Fig. 1. Aircraft in its final resting position (tail view).*



*Fig. 2. The aircraft in its final resting position (nose view) with detail of un-extended landing gear*

Aircraft approach direction



Fig. 3: Overview of the airport runways.

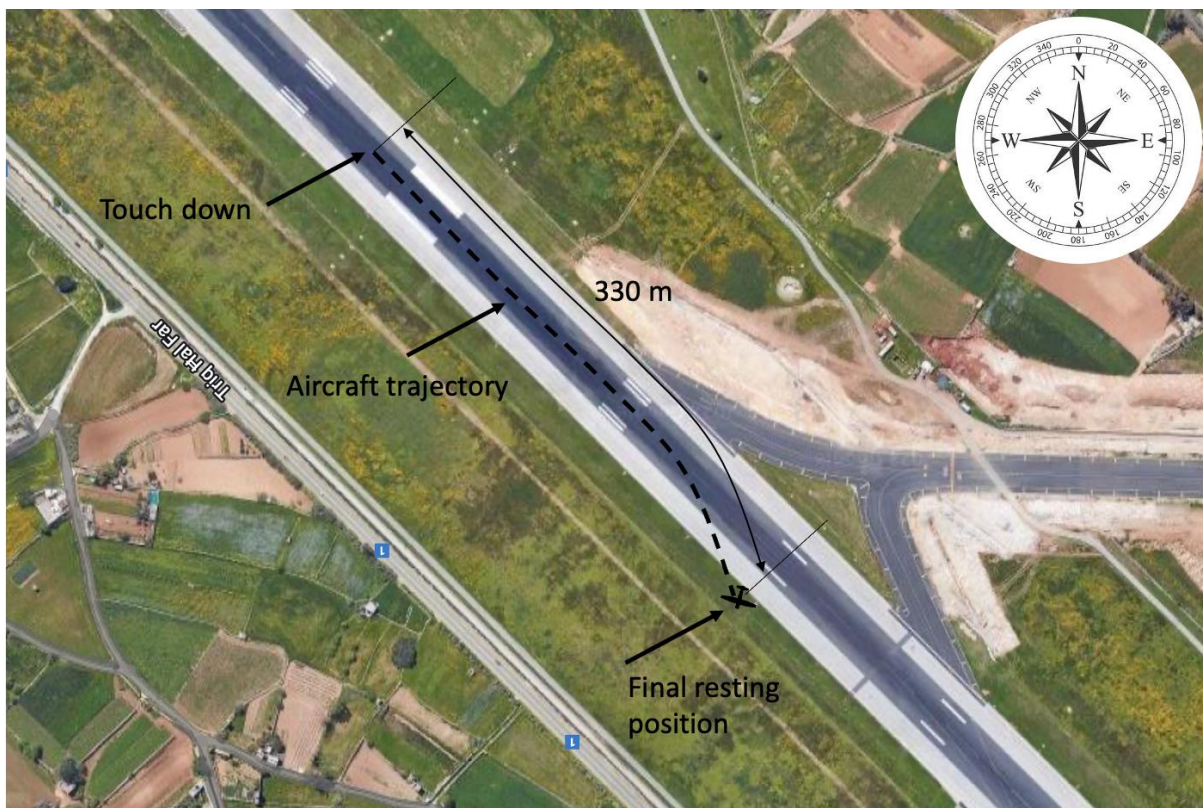


Fig. 4: Sketch of the aircraft trajectory on the runway.

## 5. Inquiry

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Since the failed component was the right main landing gear, this inquiry proceeded with an engineering investigation in parallel to interviews with the concerned personnel. The following section provides an in-depth review of the landing gear system.

- 5.1 The Piper PA-34-200T Seneca II is fitted with a tricycle retractable landing gear system. The system is hydraulically operated and electrically powered and controlled. The nose landing gear (NLG) retracts forward, and the main landing gear (MLG) retracts inboard. The system uses its own hydraulic power pack, located in the aircraft's nose, and is controlled by two solenoids operated from the cockpit selection switch. These control a reversible electric motor, which provides pressure in either the up or down sense to each of the three gear hydraulic actuators.
- 5.2 Several switches are installed in the system for control and warning purposes. Each landing gear has an UP-limit switch, which is activated whenever the gear is physically in the up position, and a DOWN limit switch which actuates once the gear is down and fully locked in position. Additionally, the left gear is fitted with a safety (weight on wheels) switch, such that when the gear is compressed on the ground, it actuates and isolates electrical power from the UP solenoid in the hydraulic power pack and so prevents the landing gears from being inadvertently retracted.
- 5.3 The aircraft is equipped with three green gear-down and locked lights as shown in Fig. 5 and a warning horn is sounded. These lights are connected to their respective DOWN limit switches on each gear and, when these operate, the lights illuminate.
- 5.4 Once all three DOWN limit switches are activated as the gear locks down, power to the DOWN solenoid is removed and the hydraulic motor stops. The gear is retained in the down and locked position by over-centre springs in the side-stay lock links. However, should any one of the three DOWN limit switches indicate that a gear is no longer locked down, the hydraulic motor restarts, generating pressure in the gear down sense, and attempts to re-lock the gears down.
- 5.5 The gears are not physically or mechanically locked in the UP position; but instead, they rely on the retention of hydraulic pressure in the UP lines of the system. If the pressure drops, as is likely due to internal leakage, a pressure switch commands the UP solenoid to energise the electric motor in the hydraulic power pack and re-apply pressure to the UP lines. This ensures the gear remains retracted. To extend the gear manually, an emergency lever is provided which, when pulled, dissipates the hydraulic pressure in the UP lines of the system and allows the gears to free-fall under the influence of gravity. The over-centre springs on the lock links then lock the side-stays, and hence the gears, into the DOWN position.

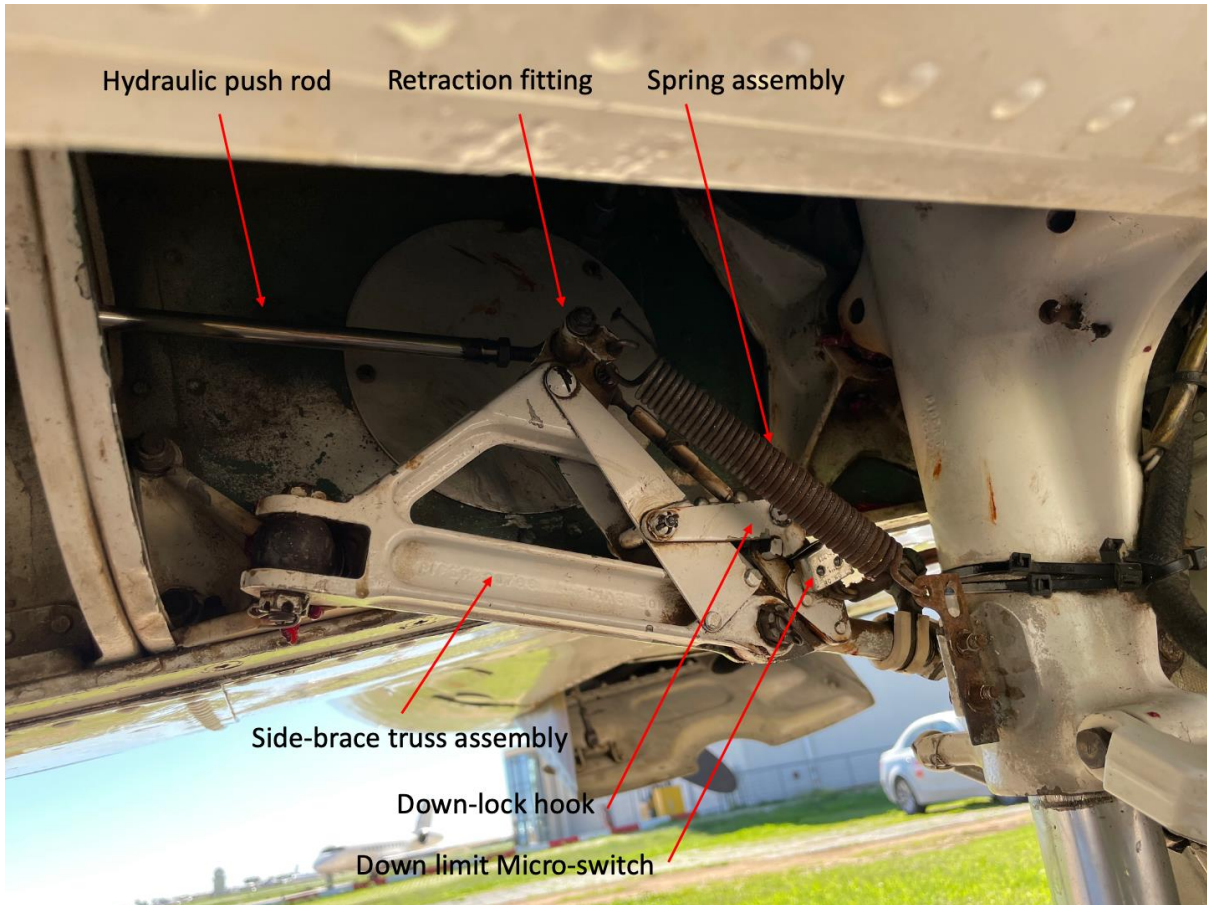


Green lights on landing gear down and locked

Fig. 5: Green lights indicating gear down and locked.

5.6 The electrical control system and hydraulic power pack are protected by two circuit breakers (CBs). The Landing Gear Control CB protects the control system and if this is tripped, then the GEAR UNSAFE, the green down and locked lights and the warning horn do not operate. In addition, there would be no control of the UP and DOWN solenoids in the hydraulic power pack. The Landing Gear Pump CB protects the hydraulic power pack motor and if this is tripped then the hydraulic motor does not operate in either direction.

5.7 The nose landing gear doors are operated mechanically and close once the nose landing gear has retracted into its bay. As it does so, it applies upward pressure to a roller assembly in the roof of the nose landing gear bay. This assembly is connected by push rods to the doors and causes them to close as shown in Fig. 6.



*Fig. 6. Photo of the landing gear assembly*

5.8 Throughout the course of this investigation, four interviews were held with the following personnel.

Interview 1: The instructor on board the aircraft who was the pilot in command (PIC)

Interview 2: The head of safety

Interview 3: The head of training

Interview 4: The head of engineering / Hanger manager

The result of the interviews is highlighted in the following paragraphs:

5.9 After take-off, the landing gear lever was selected up as per normal procedure. The right main landing gear got jammed and did not fully retract. The PIC assumed that the probable cause for this was “because the student pilot retracted the landing gear at a higher speed” than the retraction speed specified by the aircraft operations manual. A decision was taken to recycle the landing gear by selecting the gear lever down which resulted with the landing gear to extend to the full down and locked

position; confirmed by 3 green lights in the flight deck. The PIC presumed that the jam occurred due to the incorrect gear retraction speed and decided to select the landing gear in the up position. The landing gear fully retracted and the PIC decided that it was safe to continue with the training session since this time the landing gear operated normally. During the approach for landing, the crew selected the landing gear down. However, the right main landing gear did not fully extend to the down and locked position which was confirmed with the landing gear lights in the cockpit showing two green lights and one red.

5.10 The '*manual gear extension*' procedure was performed but was unsuccessful. ATC and the training school were informed that they had a problem with the extension of the landing gear. The crew noted that they had enough fuel left (*3 hours of flight time*), during which they did a series of manoeuvres in an attempt to get the right main landing gear to move in the down and locked position. Despite these efforts by the crew, the landing gear still did not move from its stuck position. For landing, the crew requested to land on the RWY 31 which is longer than RWY 23 and had a more favourable wind condition. RWY 23 had a mild crosswind and therefore would have been slightly more challenging to land the aircraft on RWY23. The wind speed at the time varied between 5-8kts. The crew were given the go ahead by ATC to land on RWY31 as requested.

5.11 During the flight, the crew requested assistance from the school. The interview with the PIC revealed that messages between the PIC and the head of training were relayed through the head of safety, and that PIC never communicated directly with the head of training. The chain of communication was broken, and the PIC received several instructions from different people within the school, making it confusing and as a result, ground assistance was inadequate. The PIC was advised to perform a controlled crash landing during which the right engine is to be switched off during the final stages of the approach. The recommended procedures specified in the Piper Seneca Information Manual does not recommend switching just one engine off at any time during the approach. During the course of this investigation, it emerged that the crew failed to follow and perform all the items as suggested in the 'Gear-Up Emergency Landing' procedure, but instead, the crew followed instructions they were receiving over the radio from the school.

“GEAR-UP EMERGENCY LANDING”

- a. *Approach with power at a normal airspeed.*
- b. *Leave flaps up (to reduce wing and flap damage).*
- c. *Close throttles just before touch down.*
- d. *Turn off the master and ignition switches.*
- e. *Turn fuel selector valves to “OFF”*
- f. *Contact the surface at minimum airspeed.*

At no point it is suggested to land with a single engine. An engine failure is not considered to be a catastrophic failure in a multi engine aircraft, but it can be very demanding on the crew. Deliberately switching off a serviceable engine in flight has the same effect as an engine failure and should be avoided. Asymmetric thrust causes a slip and moment towards the inoperative engine (*and in this case the failed landing gear*). The rudder must be used to maintain directional control of the aircraft. Therefore, the decision to switch off an engine of an aircraft which was already dealing with a partial gear up landing problem, intensified the issue. The crew now had two problems: a partial gear-up landing problem and a single engine landing.

The Piper Seneca Information Manual suggests that in a single engine landing, the rudder trim is neutralized before touchdown. This allows the pilot to maintain directional control of the aircraft on the ground. The crew elected to perform this procedure and switching-off the remaining operating engine after touchdown, thus giving themselves no time to deal with the landing gear and single/securing engine problem. CCTV footage of the landing show the right wing dropping immediately on touchdown and the pilot losing directional control of the aircraft.

During the interview with the flight instructor, it emerged that despite the decision to turn off one engine, the crew did not consult the single engine landing procedure.

5.12 The pilot landed the aircraft with flaps up to reduce the possibility of wing and flap damage. Touch down was made close to the threshold.

5.13 Throughout the course of the investigation, it was found that the communication channel between the instructor and the school was chaotic. The poor communication practices involved multiple players relaying instructions with the pilot being given different priorities. At the same time, it was noted that the head of training was at no point involved in the decision-making process.

5.14 The engineering section within the school offered no reason why the landing gear became stuck in an intermediate position. The fault was described as being intermittent, which may be more difficult to diagnose. It was highlighted that in the past there had been incidents in which the pressure goes down and the hydraulic pump switches on for a few seconds. This leads to a suspicion of a leakage in the hydraulic system. Piper suggested that this may also be due to a fault in the microswitch. Other potential causes may include an improper lubrication of the arm and centre springs which may be worn and do not lock into position. This investigation could not clearly identify the source of the engineering problem.

5.15 CRM.

*A management system which makes optimum use of all available resources (equipment, procedures and people) to promote safety and enhance the efficiency of flight operations” – Definition by the United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority.*

Good CRM employs personal knowledge and skills as well as the individual or the group’s collective attitude. Other characteristics of good CRM are:

- good and effective communication,
- situational awareness,
- problem-solving,
- decision-making and teamwork

During the various interviews with the people concerned, it emerged that better use of CRM may have assisted the crew in dealing with this situation.

## 6.0 Recommendations

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6.1 The following recommendations are being made:

### **To the flying school:**

#### **Recommendation 1**

The flying school should have a clear process so that in case of emergency, communication with the pilot is clear through a single point of contact. Safety should be put first at all costs and management interference with these procedures should be avoided.

#### **Recommendation 2**

Since the fault may be intermittent, it is recommended that in the repair process, the hydraulics are inspected for leakages and the associated wiring, and electrical systems are inspected for any signs of dormant failures. As a precaution, it is suggested to consider changing the landing gear wiring and microswitches. Other moving and non-moving parts of the landing gear should be thoroughly inspected for correct operation.

The proper procedures and checklists should be followed thoroughly. Whilst the check list was available on flight, it was found to be crammed and printed on a double-sided A4 paper with very small fonts, as shown in Appendix 1. It is suggested that the checklist should be subdivided between “normal operating procedures” and an “abnormal and emergency checklist”. The format could be expanded to a booklet format that is easy to identify and larger font that is easy to read during an emergency procedure and a time of high workload.

*NOTE: Reference is made to EASA, Research project EASA.2012/1, Principles, and guidelines relative to the design and checklists and working methods in the cockpit, Appendix 1 and Appendix 4. For ease of reference, a link to these appendices is being provided in Appendix 2 of this report.*

### **To the Competent Authorities and Aircraft Manufacturers**

#### **Recommendation 3**

It is recommended that the quality and interface properties of the checklist is considered during the certification process, primarily using the guidelines found in EASA, Research project EASA.2012/1: Appendix 1 and Appendix 4. This includes type and size of font, items that should be included, materials and the ability for the checklist to be easily held in one hand.

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## **ABBREVIATIONS**

ANSP	-	Air Navigation Service Provider
ATC	-	Air Traffic Control
ATCO	-	Air Traffic Control Officer
BAAI	-	Bureau of Air Accident Investigation
CB	-	Circuit breaker
MLG	-	Main landing gear
NLG	-	Nose landing gear
PIC	-	Pilot in command
RFFS	-	Rescue and Fire Fighting Service
RWY	-	Runway
TWY	-	Taxiway

# Appendix 1

EUROPEAN PILOT ACADEMY



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## AIRCRAFT CHECKLIST 9H-AEB PA-34 SENECA II

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PREFLIGHT CHECK		
<b>COCKPIT PREPARATION</b> Aircraft Documents----- Stowed Parking Brake----- ON First Aid Kit----- Stowed Fire Extinguisher----- Check Gear Selector----- Down Gear Emergency Selector----- In & Guarded Battery Master Switch----- On Landing Gear Lights----- Three Greens Fuel Quantity----- Adequate + Reserve Battery Master Switch----- OFF Magneto Switches----- OFF Mixture----- Idle cut-off Trim Indicators----- Neutral Flaps----- Check Operation Flying Controls----- Full Free Correct Movement Empty Seats----- Fasten Belts Cross Feed Drains----- Operate	<b>When Engine Starts</b> Throttle----- Retard and Set 1000 / 1200 RPM Oil Pressure N° 1----- Check (Rise Within 30 Secs) Alternator N° 1----- ON and Check (Max 60 Amps) Gyro Pressure----- Check / Warning Indicator OFF Alternator N° 1----- OFF <b>Starting Eng N° 2-- Repeat procedure for N° 2</b> Alternators----- Both ON check balance approx 15 AMP each	Alternators Output----- Check Gyro pressure----- 4.8 – 5.1 Hg Throttle----- Close/Check Idle (700 – 900 RPM) Throttle----- 1000 RPM Pressures & Temperatures----- Check Fuel Flow----- Check (Usually 5 – 7 GPH) De-Icing Boots----- Check (Inflate (6 secs) Suction Drops 6") Propeller De-Icing----- Check Twice On & Off Annunciator Panel----- Test
<b>OUTSIDE CABIN</b> Battery Master Switch----- ON Exterior Lights----- On / Check/Off Stall Warning Vanes----- Check Pitot Heat----- Check (Max 3 min ground ops) Battery Master Switch----- OFF Windshield----- Clean Baggage and rear door----- Secure and Locked	<b>AFTER START CHECK LIST</b>	<b>BEFORE TAKE OFF CHECK</b>
<b>BEFORE STARTING ENGINE</b>	PFD----- ON Electrical Trim----- ON/Check/Set MFD----- Check units Avionics Master Switch----- On Intercom----- Check On & Volume Set Comms/Navs 1&2 / DME / ADF----- On Transponder----- Standby Left Fuel Selector ----- Check Shutoff / X-Feed / ON Right Fuel Selector - Check Shutoff / X-Feed / ON Avionics ----- CHECK & SET for departure Markers----- On A/P----- ON / Check / Disconnect (red button) Cabin Heat/Defrost----- Check Air Intake----- Open Heat/Fan Switch----- Check Defrost Switch----- Check Fan----- As required Clock----- Set (UTC) Stop Watch----- Wound Nav Lights----- As req. Fuel Pumps----- ON & OFF Check Flight Instruments----- Set and Check Radios----- Intentions & request taxi	<b>RWY ITEMS</b>
External Checks----- Completed Main Doors----- Closed & Latched Seats/Belts/Harnesses----- Adjusted and Set Parking Brakes----- SET Alternate Air Controls----- OFF Circuit Breakers----- IN Cowl Flaps----- Open Battery Master Switch----- ON Avionics Master & Radio----- ON ATIS Copied and Start-up Clearance----- Obtained Altimeter----- Set with local QNH Radio & Avionics Master----- ON Battery Master Switch----- OFF if no clearance	<b>TAXI CHECKLIST</b>	T.O. Time----- Noted Flaps----- Check Transponder----- Set ALT Mode Landing, Recognition, Anti-Collision Lights----- On Pitot Heat----- As Required (Max 3 Min on grd) RWY HDG----- Check when aligned
<b>STARTING ENGINES</b>	<b>POWER CHECKS</b>	<b>AFTER T.O. CHECK LIST</b>
Battery Master Switch----- confirm ON Beacon light (Fin light)----- ON Auxiliary Fuel Pumps----- OFF Avionics Master----- OFF <b>Starting Engine N° 1</b> Fuel Selector N° 1----- On Mixture N° 1----- Full Rich Propeller N° 1----- Full Forward Throttle N° 1----- Half Travel Magnetos Switches N° 1----- On Prime----- (3 Secs Warm, 6 Secs Cold) Propeller Area----- Clear Starter----- Engage	Position----- Into Wind & Area Clear Parking Brake----- On Temperatures & Pressures----- Check Cowl Flaps----- As Required Fuel Selectors----- ON Throttle----- 1200 RMP <b>Commence With Left Engine Checks</b> Propeller Feather----- Check Max. 300 RPM Throttle----- 1900 RPM Propeller Control----- Exercise Propeller----- Check Governor Alternate Air----- On Then Off Magnetos----- Check 150/50	<b>CRUISE CLIMB CHECK LIST</b>
		Gear----- Up (Max Retraction Speed 107KTS) Flaps----- Retract Above 200' AGL Power----- Set 32"/2450 RPM Landing lights----- OFF Altimeters----- Set / Cross Checked Icing----- Check Radio Aids----- Identify If Required
		Climb PWR----- Set 32" / 2450 RPM Pitch down----- (Speed 100 / 110 KIAS) Cowl Flaps----- As Required ATC Liaison to proceed as VFR / IFR



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<b>CRUISE CHECKS</b>	Trimmers _____ Neutral Cowl Flaps _____ Open Radio / Nav Equipment _____ As Required	<b>STARTING ENGINE WHEN FLOODED</b>	Mixture----- Idle Cut Off  Throttle _____ FULLY FORWARD PROPELLER _____ FORWARD Master Switch _____ ON Magnetos _____ ON Auxiliary Fuel Pump _____ OFF Propeller Area _____ Clear Starter _____ Engage When Engine start: Throttle _____ retard Mixture _____ Advance slowly
<b>DESCENT CHECKS</b>	ATIS _____ Read Altimeter _____ Set with local QNH EDM _____ Check cooling rate MSA _____ Checked Fuel _____ Check Sufficient Mixture _____ Enrich with Descent PWR Setting _____ Reduce as Required Cowl Flaps _____ Closed Engine & Associated Instruments _____ Check Iceing _____ Check	<b>STARTING ENGINE IN COLD WEATHER</b>	Props _____ Turn through by hand (3 times) Fuel Selector _____ ON Mixture _____ Full RICH Throttle _____ full FORWARD Propeller Control _____ full FORWARD Master Switch _____ ON Magnetos _____ ON Auxiliary Fuel Pump _____ On low boost Starter _____ Engage Primer _____ On for 3 seconds Throttle _____ full FORWARD to full AFT Primer _____ ON & OFF every 3 sec.
<b>APPROACH CHECKLIST</b>	Radio/Nav Equipment _____ Set / Identified H.S.I./R.M.I & Compass _____ Cross Checked Altimeters _____ Set/Cross Checked Approach Briefing _____ Completed Minimums _____ Set MFD	<b>STARTING ENGINE WITH EXTERNAL POWER SOURCE</b>	Master Switch _____ OFF All electrical equipment _____ OFF Terminals _____ Connect External Power plug _____ Insert in Fuselage  Proceed with normal start: Throttles _____ lowest possible RPM External power plug _____ disconnect from fuselage Master Switch _____ ON (Check ammeter) Oil Pressure _____ Check
<b>PRE LANDING CHECKLIST</b>	Seats/Seat Belts _____ Erect/Secure Fuel Selectors _____ ON Rudder _____ Neutral Flaps _____ Set Cowl Flaps _____ Open Mixture _____ Rich Propellers _____ 2450 RPM Brakes _____ Off Landing Gear _____ Down / below 129 KIAS (three green one on the Mirror) A/P _____ OFF Landing Lights _____ ON	<b>V-speeds for SENECA II</b>	
<b>FINAL VITAL ITEMS</b>	Mixture ("Reds") _____ Full Rich Propellers ("Blues") _____ Full Forward Undercarriage _____ 3 Greens	Vso .....61 KTS Vs1 .....63 KTS Vmca .....66 KTS Vr (Short Field).....71 KTS Vr (Normal).....80 KTS Vx .....76 KTS Vy .....89 KTS Vyse .....89 KTS Vsse .....76 KTS Cruise Climb.....32 / 2450rpm .. 110 KTS  Holding speed.....120 KTS Downwind 10° Flap & Gear down 100 KTS Base 25° Flap.....95 KTS Final 40° Flap.....85 KTS Intermediate Apch Segment .....120-100 KTS Final Apch Segment 25° Flap.....95 KTS  Vne .....195 KTS Vno .....163 KTS Va .....135 at 4407 lbs / 121 KTS at 3068 lbs Vfe 10° .....138 KTS Vfe 25° .....121 KTS Vfe 40° .....107 KTS Vle .....129 KTS Vlo Extending .....129 KTS Vlo Retracting .....107 KTS Demonstrated X-WIND ..... 17 KTS	
<b>AFTER LDG CHECKLIST</b>	Landing Time _____ Noted Flaps _____ Up Transponder _____ STBY Pitot Heat _____ Off Recognition Lights _____ Off Landing Lights _____ As Required Propeller De-Ice _____ Off Air Intake _____ Open Heater/Fan Switch _____ Fan Defroster _____ As Required		
<b>SHUTDOWN CHECKLIST</b>	Parking Brake _____ ON Throttles _____ 1200 RPM Avionics & Avionics Master Switch _____ OFF Heater / Fan _____ 2 min then OFF Ammeters _____ Check (Less Than 10 AMPS) Exterior Lights - except ACL (Fin) Light _____ OFF Check _____ 3 Mins Have Elapsed Since Landing Mixture _____ I.C.O Magnetos _____ OFF Anti Collision Light (Fin) _____ OFF Interior Lights _____ All OFF Battery & Alternators _____ OFF Control Wheels _____ Secure With Seat Strap		
<b>FREDA CHECKLIST</b>	DURING CLIMB IN HOT WEATHER CONDITIONS, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO USE LO AUXILIARY FUEL PUMP FOR VAPOR SUPPRESSION  AVOID CONTINUOUS GROUND OPERATION BETWEEN 1700 - 2100 RPM IN CROSS / TAIL WIND OVER 10 KT  AVOID CONTINUOUS OPERATIONS BETWEEN 2000 RPM and 2200 RPM ABOVE 32' MP  * PFD default units: -Alt/Vs - feet -Spd -kts -Nav angle -magnetic -Distance - Nm		



**ABNORMAL/EMERGENCY CKL**  
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<b>ENGINE FIRE ON GROUND</b>	<p><b>Before feathering &amp; securing Inop. Engine:</b>                  Fuel Flow ----- Check                  (If deficient press.)-Aux. Fuel Pump HI BOOST                  (If power is not restored)- Aux. Fuel Pump OFF                  Fuel Quantity----- Check                  Alternate Air----- ON                  Mixture, T &amp; Ps and Magnetos ----- Check                  Re-start----- Try</p> <p><b>Below 66 Kts</b>                  Rudder -apply to maintain heading / against turn                  Throttles (both engines)-----retard to stop turn                  Pitch down--- to increase speed above 66 Kts</p> <p><b>Above 66 Kts (pitch to maintain &gt; 66 Kts)</b>                  Operative engine-----increase pwr as required                  Airspeed-----pitch for Blue Line (89 kts)                  Drag ----- minimise (Ldg Gear / Flaps)                  If Altitude permits a restart may be attempted                  If restart fails or altitude does not permit:                  Inop. Eng. Prop----- Feather                  Inop. Eng. -----Complete Eng. Sec. Proc.                  Cowl Flaps (Operative Engine.) -----as required</p>	<b>EMERGENCY GEAR EXTENSION</b>
<p>If Engine has Not Started:                  Mixture----- I.C.O                  Throttle----- Open Fully                  Starter----- Operate                  If Engine Has Started:                  Engine----- Keep Running</p> <p><b>If Fire Continues, After A Few Seconds</b>                  Throttles----- Closed                  Mixture----- I.C.O.                  Fuel Pumps----- Off                  Fuel Selectors----- Off                  Magnetos----- Off                  Brakes----- Set                  Battery Master Switch----- Off</p>		<p>Check Before Extending gear manually:                  Battery Master Switch ----- ON                  Circuit Breakers----- IN                  Alternator Output----- NORMAL                  Navigation Lights ----- OFF (Daytime)                  Airspeed----- Below 85 KTS                  Gear Selector----- GEAR DOWN                  Gear Emergency Knob-Release Guard &amp; Pull                  Gear Indicator Lights----- Check 3 Greens                  Red Unsafe Light Out                  Nose Wheel Position Check by the Mirror</p>
<b>ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT</b>	<p>Affected Engine:                  Fuel Selector----- Off                  Throttle----- Close                  Propeller----- Feather                  Mixture----- I.C.O.                  Heater----- Off                  Defroster----- Off                  If fire continues and terrain permits----- Land immediately</p> <p><b>Note : DO NOT Attempt A Restart Following An Engine Fire</b></p>	<b>EMERGENCY DESCENT</b>
	<b>UNFEATHERING PROCEDURE AND STARTING CHECKLIST</b>	
<b>ENGINE FAILURE MEMORY ITEMS</b>	<p>Fuel Selector (inop engine)----- ON                  Throttle----- Set ½ * Open                  Propeller Control-----forward to cruise RPM pos.                  Mixture----- Rich                  Auxiliary Fuel Pump (inop engine) ----- OFF                  Magneto Switches----- ON                  Starter----- engage until prop. Wing Mills                  Throttle----- reduce power until engine is warm                  Alternator----- ON                  If engine does not start----- prime as required</p>	<b>TRIM RUNAWAY</b>
<p><b>AUTOPILOT</b> ----- DISCONNECT  <b>FLY THE AEROPLANE</b> ----- PITCH FOR BLUE LINE                  ----- PUSH RUDDER TO MAINTAIN HEADING                  ----- (and some aileron to same side)  <b>POWER-UP</b> ----- MIXTURES FULL RICH                  ----- PROPELLERS FULL FORWARD                  ----- THROTTLES ADVANCE, Max 40°  <b>CLEAN-UP</b> (minimise drag) ----- LDG GEAR UP                  ----- FLAPS RETRACT  <b>IDENTIFY</b> ----- DEAD FOOT is DEAD ENGINE                  ----- THROTTLE DEAD ENGINE CLOSE  <b>FEATHER</b> (restart not feasible or when failed)                  ----- PROPELLER DEAD ENGINE FULL FEATHER  <b>MIXTURE DEAD ENGINE</b> ----- IDLE CUT-OFF</p>	<b>ELECTRICAL FAILURES</b>	<b>PROCEDURES IN ICING CONDITIONS</b>
<b>SECURE DEAD ENGINE AFTER FEATHERING</b>	<p><b>Double Alternator Failure</b>                  Field Circuit Breakers----- Check/Reset                  Alternator Switches Off (both) then turn ON                  one at a time while observing ammeter                  Alternator showing Least (but NOT ZERO)                  amps. And turn it switch ON                  If power is not restored: Check circuit breakers                  And reset once if required.                  Electrical Load----- As Required                  If Output Not Restored:                  Battery Master Switch----- Off For 6 Sec                  Min                  If Failure Persists Battery Only Remains Max.                  Of 30 Mins. Land ASAP.                  Extend Gear By Emergency System.</p> <p><b>Single Alternator Failure</b>                  Field Circuit Breaker----- Check/Reset                  Ammeter/Warning Light----- Check                  Alternator Switch----- Cycle                  If Output Restored:                  Electrical Load----- As Required</p>	<p>Pilot Heater----- Confirm On                  Windshield Heat----- On                  Propeller De-Icer----- On                  Windshield Defroster----- On                  Select Air Intake----- OPEN                  Heat / Fan Switch----- HEAT                  Thermostat Control----- Hot                  Defrost Switch----- ON                  De-Icing Boots----- On ¼ - ½ * Ice Build</p> <p>If Required:                  Alternate Air Controls----- ON                  Alternate Static Source----- Select</p>
<b>ENGINE FAILURE DURING FLIGHT</b>	<p>Airspeed----- 89KTS Minimum (Blue Line)                  Trim----- adjust 5° bank toward operative engine                  Memory items----- Completed</p>	<b>SINGLE ENGINE LANDING</b>
		<p>Approach speed----- 95 KTS                  Mixture----- Full Rich                  Inop. Engine propeller----- Feather                  Landing Gear----- Down                  Flaps----- Max 25°                  Rudder Trim----- Set Neutral</p> <p>When certain of making field:                  Flaps 40°----- if required</p>

## Appendix 2

EASA, Research project EASA.2012/1, Principles and guidelines relative to the design and checklists and working methods in the cockpit, Appendix 1 and Appendix 4

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/research-reports/easa20121>

## Notes and Comments.

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Piper Aircraft: Comment 1: Piper provides the required FAA approved manuals to all of its owners and operators following the guidelines that the FAA has provided.

Piper Aircraft: Comment 2: The narrative section of the report should make clear who the author is of the subject checklist that was being used (appendix 1), which I assume is European Pilot Academy.