2014 USA Mx Procedural Change

New USA Mx Procedures

- Enhance PIC awareness of mx issues.
- Promote communication of mx within organizational structure.
- Create a procedure for tracking and identification of mx status.
- Create singular point of responsibility for each glider.
- Enhance sense of ownership for equipment.

New USA Mx Procedures

- Starting the 2014 soaring season.
- A maintenance issues log will be installed in each glider.
- A red flag will be installed in each glider.
- One or two individual(s) will be responsible for the overall upkeep of the glider and equipment located at their designated airport.
- These individuals will be called "Glider Stewards".

Log front cover

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Maintenance Issues

Log Book

- Contained inside the log:
 - The procedures for using the flag.
 - The identification of the glider steward for each airport.
 - Entry pages for:
 - Date
 - Detailed explanation of maintenance issue
 - Name of individual making entry
 - Glider steward acknowledgment and mx issue status

2014 Soaring Season

Glider Stewards

Note that assignments are <u>not to specific gliders</u>, but rather to that glider at a specific location - - -

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Red Flag Procedure

- Red flag will be attached to control column after a member identifies a mx issue with the glider.
- The flag will continue to be exhibited as long as there is no recognition/further action stated in log.
- The log will identify briefly how the issue has either been resolved or deferred.
- Once the issue is acknowledged/resolved by the glider steward, the red flag will no longer be displayed for that particular issue.



Instructions

Principal Purpose of This Log: To provide a place for any member to record any maintenance related issue as may be discovered, and to alert other members of such discovery - - -

Procedures for Pilot Making Discovery:

- 1). Describe the discovered issue fully and accurately use as much space as needed.

 Please print clearly and legibly! Sign and date your entry!
- 2.) Hang the "Red Flag" over the front cockpit control stick.
- 3.) Inform the appropriate Steward of your discovery as soon as possible.

Procedures: Pilot Finding the "Red Flag" on the Control Stick

- 1). Examine the on-board maintenance issue log book for the entry responsible for posting of the "red flag," and any subsequent commentary the Steward may have entered.
- 2.) Make an informed "judgment call" regarding the wisdom and legality of executing your proposed flight (see FAR Part 91.7(b) regarding PIC responsibilities in this regard). If in doubt, you may want to consult with the Steward.

Follow Up

- Please read and follow the instructions in the maintenance issues log.
- Pre-season questions? Contact:
 - David Cleveland: david.s.cleveland@gmail.com
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- Once the season begins contact a glider steward with any questions.