



**SOARING SOCIETY
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The Soaring Society of Namibia

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Season Preparing and Maintenance

The following Checklist list is prepared from the different audits in the past and represents the main bulletpoints for the season start and the maintenance during the season. The following points will be part of audits and assessments in the future.

In general, we should focus on the following points in anticipation of the forthcoming season:

- Fuel purchase requisitions for new fuel. No old fuel allowed.
- Adequate facilities for daily testing of fuel quality.
- Fuel stored in drums must be done in a manner to avoid the risk of contamination, whether by dust, vapour or any other form of contaminant.
- Markings of "no-smoking", "flammable" and "danger" on all fuel storage facilities.
- Fuel uptake control sheets.
- All first aid kits and medical supplies to be serviced with a date last checked posted on the kits/supplies. Check date must carry a 2021 date and must not be older than 12 months calculated from the closing date of the last soaring season.
- Oxygen tanks must carry refill certificates where applicable.
- Oxygen facilities must be clearly demarcated and access limited to an identified responsible person or persons.
- Oxygen uptake forms must be available, indicating the persons that have taken up oxygen as well as the volume uptaken.
- Oxygen flow meters on the bottles must be calibrated with proof of calibration prior to the commencement of the season.
- As per Ralph's safety directive regarding oxygen cannulas in aircraft, all pilots must ensure that this directive is complied with.
- All aircraft and pilots documentation must be current and up to date in all respects. This includes licenses, medical certificates and aircraft certificates of airworthiness.
- All emergency contact numbers must be checked for each base and updated where required. The date of updating must appear on the list.

- All outdated notices, approvals, control lists etc. must be removed to avoid confusion and clutter.
- Runway markings and wind socks must be checked and where applicable, renewed/upgraded.
- All equipment not utilised e.g. winch drives, must be marked "INOP."
- The instructions regarding fatigue management must be revisited with all pilots to ensure adequate management of fatigue risks.
- Daily launch record sheets.
- Clean and well-organised workshops.
- Reflective vests for all launch personnel and assistants on the airfields.
- All radio frequencies checked (ground to ground and ground to air).
- Proper induction on all SSN and base procedures for first time visitors.

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