

horizontal surfaces to move the airplane. If the airplane is to be towed by vehicle, never turn the nose wheel more than 30° either side of center or structural damage to the nose gear could result.

The minimum turning radius of the airplane, using differential braking and nose wheel steering during taxi, is approximately 27 feet. To obtain a minimum radius turn during ground handling, the airplane may be rotated around either main landing gear by pressing down on a tailcone bulkhead just forward of the horizontal stabilizer to raise the nose wheel off the ground.

WING FLAP SYSTEM

The single-slot type wing flaps (see figure 7-3) are extended or retracted by positioning the wing flap switch lever on the right side of the switch and control panel to the desired flap deflection position. The switch lever is moved up or down in a slotted panel that provides mechanical stops at the 10° and 20° positions. For flap settings greater than 10°, move the switch lever to the right to clear the stop and position it as desired. A scale and pointer on the left side of the switch lever indicates flap travel in degrees. The wing flap system circuit is protected by a 15-amp push-to-reset circuit breaker, labeled FLAP, on the left side of the switch and control panel.

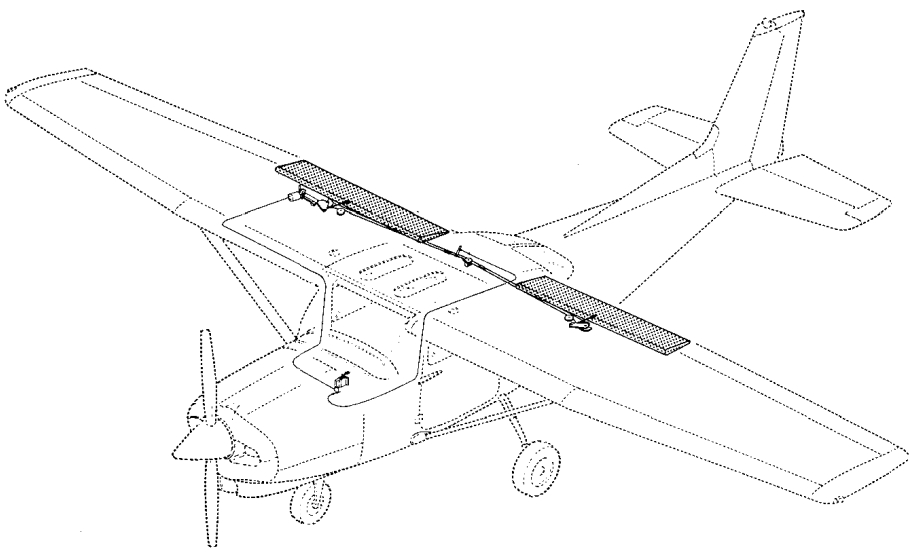


Figure 7-3. Wing Flap System

A gear warning interconnect switch is incorporated in the flap system, and sounds a warning horn when the flaps are extended beyond 20° with the landing gear retracted.

LANDING GEAR SYSTEM

The landing gear is a retractable, tricycle type with a steerable nose wheel and two main wheels. Shock absorption is provided by the tubular spring-steel main landing gear struts and the air/oil nose gear shock strut. Each main gear wheel is equipped with a hydraulically actuated single-disc brake on the inboard side of each wheel.

The landing gear extension, retraction, and main gear down lock release operation is accomplished by hydraulic actuators powered by an electrically-driven hydraulic power pack (see figure 7-7). The power pack is located aft of the firewall between the pilot's and copilot's rudder pedals. The hydraulic system fluid level may be checked by utilizing the dipstick/filler cap located on the top left side of the power pack adjacent to the motor mounting flange. The system should be checked at 25-hour intervals. If the fluid level is at or below the ADD line on the dipstick, hydraulic fluid (MIL-H-5606) should be added to bring the level to the top of the dipstick/filler cap opening. A normal operating pressure of 1000 PSI to 1500 PSI is automatically maintained in the landing gear system, and is sufficient to provide a positive up pressure on the landing gear. The nose gear and main gear incorporate positive mechanical down locks. Also, the nose gear has mechanically-actuated wheel well doors. The doors open when the nose gear extends, and close when it retracts.

Power pack operation is started and stopped by a pressure switch, and hydraulic pressure is directed by the landing gear lever. Two position indicator lights are provided to show landing gear position. The landing gear system is also equipped with a nose gear safety (squat) switch, an emergency extension hand pump, and a gear-up warning system.

LANDING GEAR LEVER

The landing gear lever is located on the switch and control panel to the right of the electrical switches. The lever has two positions, labeled GEAR UP and GEAR DOWN, which give a mechanical indication of the gear position selected. From either position, the lever must be pulled out to clear a detent before it can be repositioned; operation of the landing gear system will not begin until the lever has been repositioned. After the lever

has been repositioned, it directs hydraulic pressure within the system to actuate the gear to the selected position.

LANDING GEAR POSITION INDICATOR LIGHTS

Two position indicator lights, adjacent to the landing gear control lever, indicate that the gear is either up or down and locked. Both the gear-up (amber) and gear-down (green) lights are the press-to-test type, incorporating dimming shutters for night operation. If an indicator light bulb should burn out, it can be replaced in flight with the bulb from the remaining indicator light.

LANDING GEAR OPERATION

To retract or extend the landing gear, pull out on the gear lever and move it to the desired position. After the lever is positioned, the power pack will create pressure in the system and actuate the landing gear to the selected position. During a normal cycle, the gear retracts fully or extends and locks, limit switches close (GEAR DOWN cycle only), and the indicator light comes on (amber for up and green for down) indicating completion of the cycle. After indicator light illumination, during a GEAR DOWN cycle, the power pack will continue to run until the fluid pressure reaches 1500 PSI, opens the pressure switch, and turns the power pack off. Whenever fluid pressure in the system drops below 1000 PSI, the pressure switch will close and start power pack operation, except when the nose gear safety (squat) switch is open.

The safety (squat) switch, actuated by the nose gear, electrically prevents inadvertent retraction whenever the nose gear strut is compressed by the weight of the airplane. When the nose gear is lifted off the runway during takeoff, the squat switch will close, which may cause the power pack to operate for 1 to 2 seconds and return system pressure to 1500 PSI in the event pressure has dropped below 1000 PSI. A "pull-off" type circuit breaker is also provided in the system as a maintenance safety feature. With the circuit breaker pulled out, landing gear operation by the gear pump motor is prevented. After maintenance is completed, and prior to flight, the circuit breaker should be pushed back in.

EMERGENCY HAND PUMP

A hand-operated hydraulic pump, located between the front seats, is provided for manual extension of the landing gear in the event of a hydraulic system failure. The landing gear cannot be retracted with the hand pump. To utilize the pump, extend the handle forward, and pump vertically. For complete emergency procedures, refer to Section 3.

LANDING GEAR WARNING SYSTEM

The airplane is equipped with a landing gear warning system designed to help prevent the pilot from inadvertently making a wheels-up landing. The system consists of a throttle actuated switch which is electrically connected to a dual warning unit. The warning unit is connected to the airplane speaker.

When the throttle is retarded below approximately 12 inches of manifold pressure at low altitude (master switch on), the throttle linkage will actuate a switch which is electrically connected to the gear warning portion of a dual warning unit. If the landing gear is retracted (or not down and locked), an intermittent tone will be heard on the airplane speaker. An interconnect switch in the wing flap system also sounds the horn when the wing flaps are extended beyond 20° with the landing gear retracted.

BAGGAGE COMPARTMENT

The baggage compartment consists of the area from the back of the rear passenger seats to the aft cabin bulkhead. A baggage shelf, above the wheel well, extends aft from the aft cabin bulkhead. Access to the baggage compartment and the shelf is gained through a lockable baggage door on the left side of the airplane, or from within the airplane cabin. A baggage net with six tie-down straps is provided for securing baggage, and is attached by tying the straps to tie-down rings provided in the airplane. For further information on baggage tie-down, refer to Section 6. When loading the airplane, children should not be placed or permitted in the baggage compartment, and any material that may be hazardous to the airplane or occupants should not be placed anywhere in the airplane. For baggage area and door dimensions, refer to Section 6.

SEATS

The seating arrangement consists of two individually adjustable four-way or six-way seats for the pilot and front seat passenger, and a split-backed fixed seat for the rear seat passengers.

The four-way seats may be moved forward or aft, and the seat back angle adjusted to any comfortable angle. To position either seat, lift the tubular handle under the center of the seat, slide the seat into position, release the handle, and check that the seat is locked in place. The seat back angle is controlled by a cylinder lock release button which is spring-loaded to the locked position. The release button is located on the right side,