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SECTION 3 - NON-NORMAL PROCEDURES

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This section provides detailed information about the procedures required to deal with Non-Normal events whilst operating G-STRV.

The **G-STRV Checklist** document is a set of Flight Reference Cards (FRCs), which summarises this section and provides a convenient reference in the cockpit. Red bands in the left margins of the FRCs highlight these procedures.

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Fire on the ground / air

FIRE ON THE GROUND

FUEL PUMP OFF

THROTTLE CLOSED

MIXTURE ICO

FUEL SELECTOR OFF

IGN L & R OFF

The preceding memory items shut down the engine and isolate the fuel supply.

RADIO "MAYDAY"

IBBS OFF

BAT OFF

PARK BRAKE OFF

*Park Brake OFF enables aircraft to be pushed as required.
Vacate the aircraft to a safe distance up wind.*

ENGINE FIRE IN THE AIR

LAND **ASAP**

Immediate Actions Best Glide 84kts

FUEL PUMP OFF

THROTTLE CLOSED

PROPELLER MIN

MIXTURE ICO

COWL FLAP CLOSE

Reduces air supply into cowling.

FUEL SELECTOR OFF

IGN L & R OFF

The preceding memory items shut down the engine and isolate the fuel supply.

CABIN HEAT L & R OFF

Isolates cockpit behind the firewall.



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Cockpit Fire / CO / Fumes

COCKPIT FIRE

LAND **ASAP**

Electrical Source Identified

Equipment

OFF

VPX CB

Deselect

In the unlikely event the offending equipment is identified, consider turning OFF the power supply via an electronic VPX CB .

If fire continues:

BAT

OFF

Turning OFF the BAT will remove all power supply, leaving only the standby equipment.

COM 1

"MAYDAY"

GTN 650Xi is still available even though the GMA 245 audio panel is unpowered if the BAT switch is OFF.

If fire continues:

IBBS

OFF

Removes power from the standby equipment, leaving only the G5.

G5

Fly

External power to this unit is removed, but will still be powered by it's integral battery.

CO WARNING / FUMES IN THE COCKPIT

CABIN HEAT L & R

OFF

Air Vents

OPEN

COWL FLAP

OPEN

Opening the COWL FLAP will help to dissipate fumes inside the cowling.

LAND **ASAP**



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Forced Landing

Immediate Actions

Best Glide V_{BG} 84kts

Consider Smart Glide

DIRECT-TO Press & Hold

Even if no airfield is identified within range, Smart Glide will still reduce workload since the AP automatically engages and will target 84kts wings level.

Plan

Wind, Surface, Size,
Shape, Slope, Surround

Committed Checks

FUEL PUMP OFF

THROTTLE CLOSED

PROPELLER MIN

MIXTURE ICO

FUEL SELECTOR OFF

IGN L & R OFF

The preceding memory items shut down the engine and isolate the fuel supply.

CABIN HEAT L & R OFF

PARK BRAKE OFF

Harness Tight

Radio "Mayday"

Transponder 7700

Passenger Brief

Short Finals

FLAPS LANDING

Consider

IBBS OFF

BAT OFF

G5 Fly

This would remove all electrical power from the cockpit, a possible advantage should the landing result in damage. However, the only flight instrument left will be the G5, and it would need a key pressed to prevent



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Engine Mechanical Failure / Engine Failure

ENGINE MECHANICAL FAILURE

Immediate Actions

Best Glide V_{BG} 84kts

Consider Smart Glide

DIRECT-TO Press & Hold

Even if no airfield is identified within range, Smart Glide will still reduce workload since the AP automatically engages and will target 84kts wings level.

Plan Wind, Surface, Size,
Shape, Slope, Surround

DO NOT ATTEMPT A RESTART

Engine Shut Down

FUEL PUMP OFF

THROTTLE CLOSED

PROPELLER MIN

MIXTURE ICO

FUEL SELECTOR OFF

IGN L & R OFF

CABIN HEAT L & R OFF

Force Landing Checklist Action

ENGINE FAILURE

Immediate Actions

Best Glide V_{BG} 84kts

DIRECT-TO PRESS & HOLD

Activates Smart Glide

Check for cause of failure

FUEL PUMP ON

MIXTURE FULL RICH

ALT AIR PULL

FUEL SELECTOR CHANGE TANK

IGN L & R ON

START Button PRESS

If no restart

Force Landing Checklist Action



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Engine Failure after Take Off

ENGINE FAILURE AFTER TAKE OFF

Best Glide V_{BG}
Below 800 ft agl
Above 800 ft agl

84kts
Select Landing Area
Consider Turnback



Pilot should be well practised before attempting a turn back.

RADIO

“MAYDAY”

Harnesses

Tight

FUEL PUMP

OFF

FLAP

As required

THROTTLE

CLOSED

PROPELLER

MIN

MIXTURE

ICO

FUEL SELECTOR

OFF

IGN L & R

OFF

Shut down the engine and isolate the fuel supply if time allows.

Consider

IBBS

OFF

BAT

OFF

G5

Fly

This would remove all electrical power from the cockpit, a possible advantage should the landing result in damage. However, the only flight instrument left will be the G5, and it would need a key pressed to prevent auto-shutdown.



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Rough Running

ROUGH RUNNING

FUEL PUMP ON

In case the engine driven fuel pump has failed.

MIXTURE FULLY RICH

Fuel Check

FUEL SELECTOR As required / change

If fuel starvation is the cause the preceding memory items may solve the problem.

IGN L & R OFF in turn

If rough running stops by turning off an IGN switch leave it OFF. The timing or some other malfunction in the unit may have occurred which is disrupting the engine.

ALT AIR PULL

This provides an alternative air intake source. NB Once pulled maintenance action is required to reset.

Attempt to maintain or gain altitude

Flying at best glide speed 84kts is the point at which the lift/drag ratio is highest and thus the amount of power needed to maintain level flight the lowest.

Force Landing Checklist

Prepare to action



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Low Oil Pressure / High Oil Temperature

LOW OIL PRESSURE

Loss of oil pressure in normal flight

Power

Possible Sender Failure

The MT propeller has counterweights, meaning that the blades will move to coarse pitch if oil pressure is lost. Hence RPM reducing may confirm pressure loss.

Reduce

Crosscheck

LAND **ASAP**

Consider:

Engine Mechanical Failure Checklist

Action

HIGH OIL TEMPERATURE

Power

COWL FLAP

Reduce

OPEN

LAND **ASAP**

If unable to maintain within limits.

Flying at best glide speed 84kts is the point at which the lift/drag ratio is highest and thus the amount of power needed to maintain level flight the lowest.



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High CHT / Low Fuel Pressure

HIGH CHT

CAS
Or CAS

CHT
YELLOW range

Power
Reduces heat output.

Reduce

COWL FLAP
IAS
Increases cooling.

OPEN
Increase

LOW FUEL PRESSURE

CAS
Or CAS

FUEL PRESS
YELLOW range

FUEL PUMP
Possible failure of engine driven fuel pump.

ON

MIXTURE
Maximum fuel flow

FULL RICH

FUEL SELECTOR
In case there is a fuel line restriction from one of the tanks feeds.

CHANGE TANK



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Alternator Failure

ALTERNATOR FAILURE

Confirmation

CAS **ALT AMPS**
Abnormally low alternator current

VOLTS M < 13.5V
Normal alternator voltage is 14.6V, so a fall in Volts M to battery voltage combined with an abnormally low alternator current indicates an ALT output failure.

If PPS ALT FAULT light OUT
No PPS ALT FAULT light confirms an alternator failure.

Procedure

STBY ALT ON
Load Shed Checklist Action
The standby alternator has a reduced output so may not satisfy the equipment current demand. Switch off non-essential items as required.

If PPS ALT FAULT light ON

PPS ALT FAULT Checklist Action
An illuminated PPS fault light indicates a fault in the PPS alternator circuit, which may be successfully reset.



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PPS ALT and PPS BAT Fault

PPS ALT FAULT

Confirmation

CAS	ALT AMPS
VOLTS M	< 13.5V
PPS ALT FAULT light	ON

An illuminated PPS fault light indicates a fault in the PPS alternator circuit, which may be successfully reset.

Procedure

PPS ALT FAULT switch	RESET
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If no reset

STBY ALT	ON
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The primary alternator may be causing the problem in the PPS, so try the standby.

PPS ALT FAULT switch	RESET
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The PPS still may need a reset to reconnect the alternator feed.

If no reset

ALT	OFF
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Load Shed Checklist	ACTION
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PPS BAT FAULT

Confirmation

All services lost except:

- G5
- PFD
- GTN 650Xi

The IBBS will supply essential equipment if selected ON.

PPS BAT FAULT light	ON
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Fault light ON indicates the PPS main output re-established by a PPS reset.

Procedure

PPS BAT FAULT switch	RESET
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If no reset

Load Shed Checklist	Action
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Load Shed

TIMER START
Useful to plan load shedding dependent on required flight time.

ACAS POWER	OFF
AP POWER	OFF
PITOT HEAT	OFF
NAV LTS	OFF
TAXI LTS	OFF
LDG LTS	OFF
STROBE LTS	OFF
ANTI COL	OFF
FUEL PUMP	OFF

Turn off the rocker switches from right to left. This will result in a current draw of approximately 20A, giving approx 30mins from a 72% charged EarthX Battery.

Capacity

STBY ALT output limited to approx 30A

Main Battery discharge capacity (fully charged):

18A	45 mins
12A	70 mins
6A	140 mins

IBBS discharge capacity (fully charged):

6A	55 mins
3A	110 mins
1.5A	240 mins

G5	4 hrs
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Current Draw

LDG LTS	11A
PITOT HEAT	9A
TAXI LTS	8A
ANTI COL	5A
STROBE LTS	3A
TRIG	3A
NAV LTS	2A

External lighting draws the highest current, so is a good place to start reducing load.

AP POWER	1.5A
AUDIO PANEL	1A

All the above items have individual switches.



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Load Shed

AVNCS 2 3.25A

Lost items:

MFD, GTX 45R Transponder, L & R LEMO, GD40 CO Detector

These items are powered when the AVNCS 2 switch is ON, but do not have individual switches. NB they may be selectively de-powered via the PFD VPX page if available.

If flaps required consider AVNCS 1 off to conserve main bat. NB IBBS capacity will deplete since now powering primary LRU's.

AVNCS 1 13A

This is during the max load when the IBBS is charging at highest rate, and the GTN 650Xi is transmitting.

Lost items:

L & R PMag aircraft power

0.5A

IBBS Charge

4A

Turning OFF AVNCS 1 will only loose these two services since the IBBS will take over the services normally powered by AVNCS 1.

IBBS

With AVNCS 1 OFF, IBBS powers the following items:

GTN 650Xi	2A (6A when Tx)
PFD	2A
GEA 24 Engine monitor	0.5A
GSU 25 ADHARS	0.2A
GAD 29 Data Interface Adapter	0.2A
GMU 11 Magnetometer	0.1A

The IBBS will generally be supplying 5A, occasionally 9A when the GTN 650Xi is transmitting. The fully charged IBBS will provide power for the above services for approximately 55 mins.



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EarthX Fault

CAS

EARTHFX FAULT

Several battery conditions may cause the CAS message to illuminate steady or flash, as per the table below. However, the only condition requiring immediate action is if an OVER VOLTAGE is occurring. This is to stop excessive battery charging.

If **VOLTS M** or **VOLTS E** CAS present
OVER VOLTAGE checklist

Action

Otherwise

No action required

The table below is included for complete information about the EARTHFX FAULT CAS messages.

CAS	Volts E	Cause	Action
Slow Flashing (5s on/5s off)	>15.2	Over-charging	ALT STBY If flashing continues: ALT OFF
Slow Flashing (5s on/5s off) (<30 min period)	13.2 - 14.6	Cell to cell charge levels are not balanced	May come on briefly during periods of high current charging until the cells are automatically balanced.
Slow Flashing (5s on/5s off)	<12.8	Battery over-discharged	Once charged, the light will stop flashing.
Slow Flashing (5s on/5s off) (>1 hr period)	13.2 - 14.6	Weak or failing cell	If in conjunction with a charging system failure:
Solid Light	Any	BMS electronic issue	ALT STBY If warning continues: ALT OFF
Short Flashing (2s on/2s off)	Any	High battery temp (> 170°F)	Otherwise not an immediate issue.
Solid Light that turns off after 3 minutes	Any	Short Circuit protection was activated	None



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Over Voltage

VOLTS M

CAS

VOLTS M

This indicates a main bus voltage > 15.4V, possibly caused by a primary alternator voltage regulator fault. NB Over-voltage protection is also provided by the VP-X if the voltage reaches 16V. In this case the VPX turns off the alternator by removing the field supply.

The EarthX battery should be isolated from a voltage charge > 15.4V.

PRIM ALT

OFF

STBY ALT

ON

Change to the standby alternator which uses an external voltage regulator.

If overvoltage persists

STBY ALT

OFF

In the unlikely event that this does not solve the problem, remove alternator power.

Load Shed Checklist

ACTION

LAND **ASAP**

VOLTS E

CAS

VOLTS E

This indicates an IBBS charge voltage > 15V.

IBBS

OFF

The IBBS should be protected from a charge voltage >15V. Turning it OFF removes its battery from the charging circuit.

NB in the event of a PPS or VPX power failure no backup will be available for the IBBS powered items, the most important being the PFD and GTN 650Xi.

Approximately 4hrs service is available from a fully charged G5 battery

LAND **ASAP**



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Joystick Switch Fault

Stuck Transmit Trigger

Confirmation

GTN 650Xi
"COM push-to-talk is stuck" message

or

Trig TY91
"Stuck Mic" message

Procedure

STICK ENABLE Select other joystick
This isolates all joystick buttons on the deselected side from aircraft systems, in addition to the transmit trigger.

One or more buttons / switches inoperative

Procedure

STICK ENABLE Select other joystick
This isolates all joystick buttons on the deselected side from aircraft systems. This will recover control by the active joystick buttons/trigger.



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Trim / Flap Faults

Uncommanded Pitch Trim

PITCH TRIM OFF
Stops trim movement

PITCH TRIM STANDBY
Enables standby trim control, enabling removal of the uncommanded trim displacement and further control as required.

Uncommanded Roll Trim

ROLL TRIM OFF
Stops trim movement

ROLL TRIM STANDBY
Enables standby trim control, enabling removal of the uncommanded trim displacement and further control as required.

Pitch Trim Failure

PITCH TRIM STANDBY
Enables standby trim control

Roll Trim Failure

ROLL TRIM STANDBY
Enables standby trim control

Uncommanded Flap Movement

FLAP OFF
IAS < 100 kts
The FLAP switch in the OFF position removes all power from the flap motor. Hence the flaps will be fixed at the setting when the switch is selected OFF.