



Practical Risk Management

During this second hour, we are going to take a look at the practical side of Risk Management, also we are going to talk about ADM and SRM and finally we will participate in risk management scenarios. Let's begin by looking at what is called a Risk Assessment Matrix. **(Next Slide)**

Risk Assessment Matrix

Risk Assessment Matrix				
Likelihood	Severity			
	Catastrophic	Critical	Marginal	Negligible
Probable	High	High	Serious	
Occasional	High	Serious		
Remote	Serious	Medium		Low
Improbable				

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The most basic tool is the risk matrix. It assesses two items: the **likelihood** of an event occurring and the **consequence (Severity)** of that event. Likelihood is nothing more than taking a situation and determining the probability of its occurrence. It is rated as probable, occasional, remote, or improbable. For example, a pilot is flying from point A to point B (50 miles) in marginal visual conditions. The likelihood of encountering potential instrument conditions is the first question the pilot needs to answer. The experiences of other pilots coupled with the forecast might cause the pilot to assign “occasional” to determine the probability of encountering IMC.

- Probable—an event will occur several times.
- Occasional—an event will probably occur sometime.
- Remote—an event is unlikely to occur, but is possible.
- Improbable—an event is highly unlikely to occur.

Severity of an Event

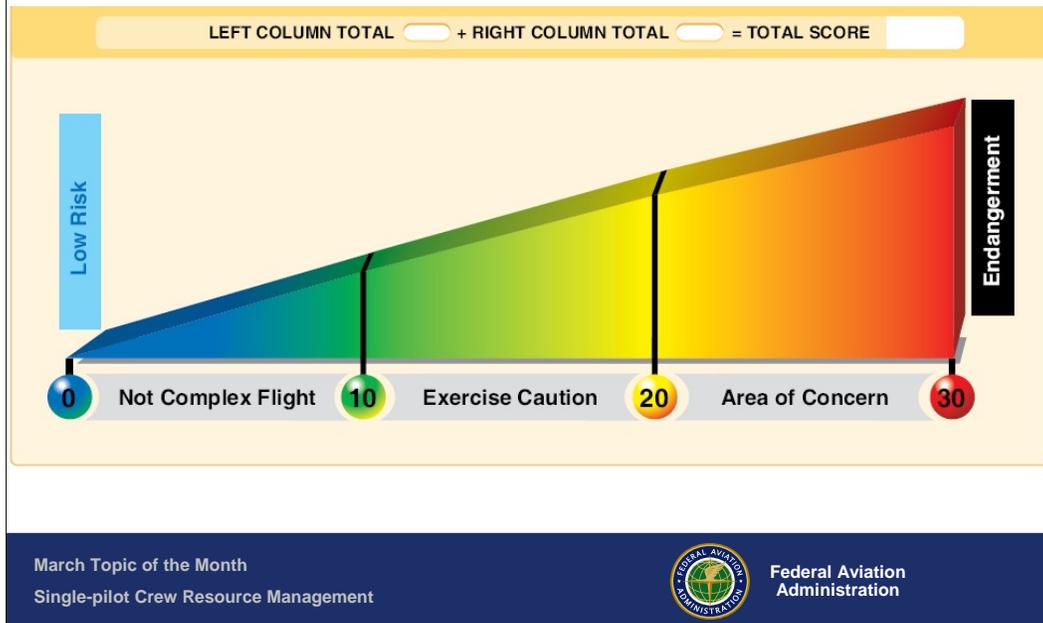
The other item in the matrix is the severity or consequence of a pilot’s actions. It can relate to injury and/or damage. If the individual in the example above is not an IFR pilot, what are the consequences of encountering inadvertent IMC conditions? In this case, because the pilot is not IFR rated, the consequences are potentially catastrophic.

The following are guidelines for this assignment.

- Catastrophic—results in fatalities, total loss
- Critical—severe injury, major damage
- Marginal—minor injury, minor damage
- Negligible—less than minor injury, less than minor system damage

Simply connecting the two factors as shown in the figure indicates the risk is high and the pilot must not fly, or fly only after finding ways to mitigate, eliminate, or control the risk.

Risk Assessment



Risk assessment is only part of the equation. After determining the level of risk, the pilot needs to **mitigate the risk**. For example, the VFR pilot flying from point A to point B (50 miles) in marginal flight conditions has several ways to reduce risk:

- Wait for the weather to improve to good VFR conditions.
- Take a pilot who is more experienced or who is certified as an instrument flight rules (IFR) pilot.
- Delay the flight.
- Cancel the flight.
- Drive.

UN Flying in Africa and the Middle East required a risk assessment be completed prior to each and every flight. The crew filled out a form and took a look at the factors which would constitute certain levels of risk, such as weather and the complexity of the mission requirements.

TAA's = Some or all of the following:

- Moving map / GPS / Glass flight deck.
- Automated engine and systems mgmt., and / or Integrated autopilot systems.



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TAA's are helpful in terms of information available to pilots but also can be a source of distractions.



- **FAA / Industry / Academia partnership to develop standards for Technically Advanced Aircraft.**
- **FITS addresses Automation differences in operating systems, inputting functions and techniques.**
- **TAA accidents reveal lack of **situational awareness, decision-making, and inadequate risk management** as major cause-factors.**

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The FAA along with Industry and Academia developed partnerships to address training standards for Technically Advanced Aircraft.

FITS addresses Automation differences in operating systems, various differences in inputting functions and differences in training techniques.

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▶ Situational Awareness

- *Interpersonal Communications*

▶ Decision-Making

- *Decision Making*

▶ Risk Management

- *Leadership*

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Remember the workshop sponsored by NASA in 1979 after UAL 173? It was called “Resource Management on the Flight Deck.”

The workshop identified the human error aspects of the majority of air crashes as failures of:

(Click)

Interpersonal communications,

Decision making, and

Leadership.

What is the PIC's Foremost Responsibility?

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Among all the concerns of PIC's are dynamics regarding integrity, service concerns, and the desire to help keep expenses low. This tends to get lost amidst all those other concerns. Now, introduce cultural dynamics, and a new breed of accident causal factors begins to emerge.

What is the PIC's foremost responsibility?

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PIC's Basic Responsibility

PIC's Command Authority

PIC's Command Responsibility

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Let's take a look at the three building blocks, the foundational elements shared by each and every PIC.

Our common experience as pilots revolves around each of these three elements every time we fly.

Let's take a close-up look at Command Authority (**Next Slide**).

Basic Responsibility

The pilot in command of an aircraft is directly responsible for, and is the final authority as to, the operation of that aircraft.

14CFR 91.3

Each pilot in command of an aircraft is, during flight time, in command of the aircraft and crew and is responsible for the safety of the passengers, crewmembers, cargo, and airplane.

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91.3 States The pilot in command of an aircraft is directly responsible for, and is the final authority as to, the operation of that aircraft.

Stated another way, *Each pilot in command of an aircraft is, during flight time, in command of the aircraft and crew and is responsible for the safety of the passengers, crewmembers, cargo, and airplane. That is the basic responsibility of the PIC.*

Command Authority

Legally mandated and ethically required authority and accountability of PIC's.

**Exercised by PIC's Authority:
Responsibility
Accountability, and
Coordination (operation) of the flight.**

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Command authority is Legally mandated and ethically required. Command authority has built-in accountability of PIC's.

Command authority is exercised by the PIC's authority in thee areas:

Responsibility, Accountability, and Coordination or Operation of the flight.

What does Airplane Command Authority look like?



Command authority is nicely defined, and very clear. The PIC's Airplane Command Authority is legally mandated 14CFR 91.3 and ethically required.

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What is not as easily defined are the various responsibilities that encompass and are integral to command authority. PIC responsibility is not as evenly and not nearly as clearly defined. The PIC's responsibility has uneven boundaries and extend well beyond the borders of command authority.

PIC's Responsibility Partial List

- ✓ Training
- ✓ Personal Minimums
- ✓ Maintenance
- ✓ Weather
- ✓ Fueling
- ✓ Risk Assessment
- ✓ Passengers
- ✓ Baggage
- ✓ Preflight
- ✓ Schedule
- ✓ Personal Condition
- ✓ Knowing when it is Time for Plan "B"
- ✓ ???

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Ask the question: What are some of the PIC's responsibilities?

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ADM & SRM *(CRM-Based)*

- **How should new information provided by technology be used to improve safety?**
- **How do you integrate technology, information and limitations into the ADM process?**

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Here are two questions we should be asking ourselves:

How should new information provided by technology in flight be used to improve safety of flight operations?

How do you integrate technology, information and limitations into the ADM process?

PIC's Basic Responsibility

Situational Awareness

PIC's Command Authority

Decision-Making

PIC's Command Responsibility

Risk Management

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Understand that the PIC's basic responsibility is Situational awareness. **(Click)**

In order to be responsible for the safety of the passengers, crewmembers, cargo, and airplane.

Understand that as PIC your decision making is legally mandated and ethically required. **(Click)**

Remember the long list of responsibilities? Each one of those responsibilities can be a resource to trap and prevent errors. **(Click)**

That is the practical application of what is called risk management.

**Accidents revealed a lack of
situational awareness, decision-making,
and inadequate risk management as major
cause-factors.**

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Why are we talking about this?

Because accident statistics revealed a lack of **situational awareness, decision-making, and inadequate risk management** as major cause-factors.

- **Automation**
- **Increased technical capabilities**
- **Automation coupled with traffic and weather**

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Automation offers safety and operational advantages

Increased technical capabilities can tempt pilots to operate outside of their personal (or even legal) limits

Automation coupled with traffic and weather information may lead pilots to believe they are protected from the dangers inherent to “scud running,” or otherwise operating in marginal weather conditions.

Now - It Is Resolved

- ***While advanced cockpit technologies may mitigate certain risks,***
they are no substitute for sound Aeronautical Decision Making

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3-P Model

**A simple, practical, and structured way
for pilots
to manage risk**

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The 3-p MODEL

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3-P Model

- **Perceives the given set of circumstances for a flight.**
- **Processes by evaluating the impact of those circumstances on flight safety.**
- **Performs by implementing the best course of action.**

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The 3 P's stand for:
Perceive.
Process.
Perform.

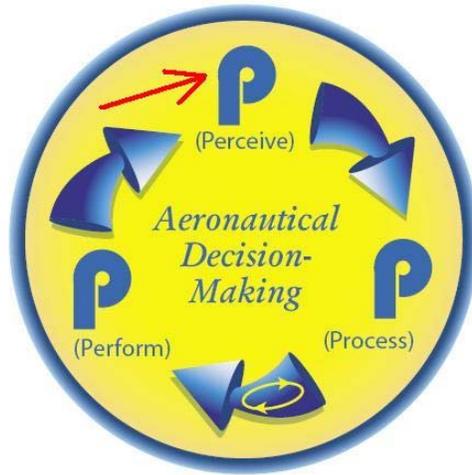
This model of risk management is a decision-making process designed to

Systematically help you to perceive hazards

Help you to assess the degree of risk associated with a hazard, and

Help you perform the best course of action.

In the FIRST step, the goal is
to develop situational awareness
by perceiving hazards



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Let's take a look at the goals for each step of the 3-P model
This shows the goals of each step:
In the FIRST step, the goal is
to develop situational awareness
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SECOND step goal is to process this information
to determine whether the identified hazards
constitute risk



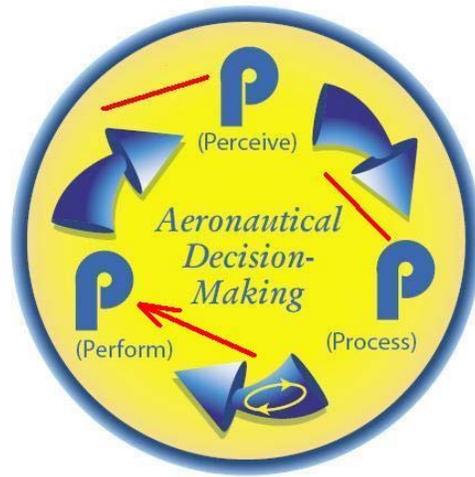
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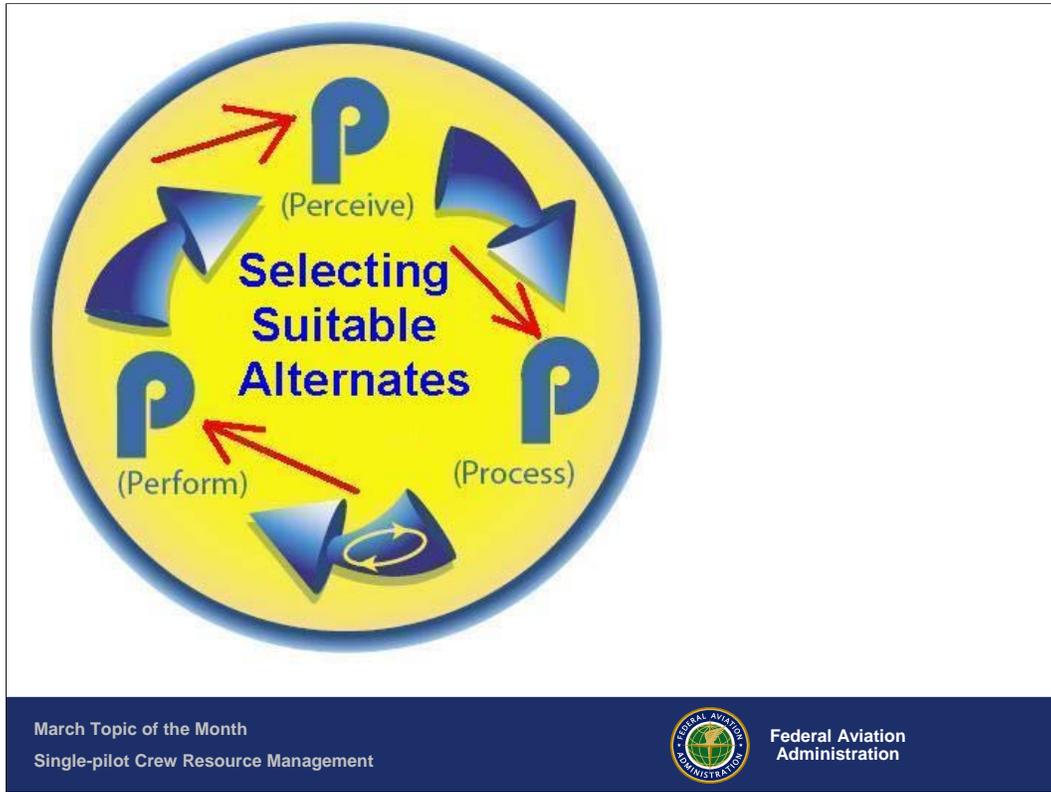
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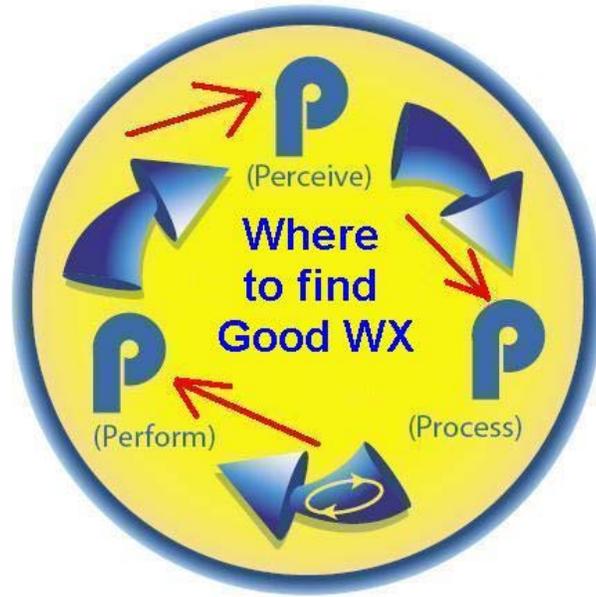


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The continuous evaluation may require actions such as:
The Selecting of Suitable Alternatives



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Where to find Good Weather

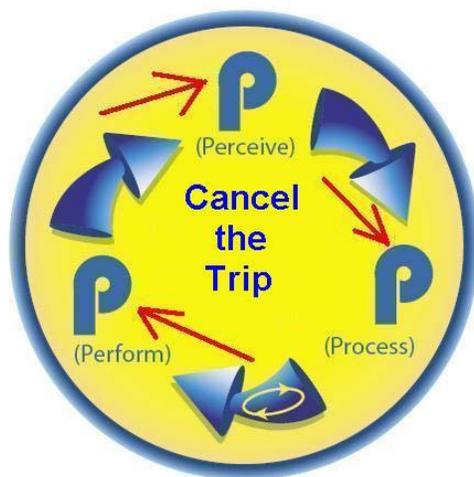


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Carrying Sufficient Fuel, planning a fuel stop, or choosing a course of action requiring an unplanned intermediate stop.



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Cancel or delay the trip

Scenario Exercise #1 VFR

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one of your passengers gets ill.



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for which you have not planned.

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What do you do?

1. Return to your airport of departure.
2. Attempt the landing at the short runway.
3. Proceed to a secondary unplanned alternate.
4. Proceed to your original destination.
5. Attempt another option.

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Scenario Exercise #2 VFR or IFR

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Your passenger in the front seat is a licensed pilot, current and qualified in the same make and model aircraft you are flying.



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What do you do?

1. Comply with the clearance.
2. Have your passenger reply “Roger”.
3. Immediately key the mic and refuse the clearance.
4. Ask your passenger to call ATC and refuse the clearance.
5. Take some other action.

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Scenario Exercise #3 IFR

After work, you are going to fly to an airport about 2 hours away to pick up a package for your business partner.



Your partner is away on an important business trip and you need to bring the package back so that the company president can complete negotiations on a new contract for your company.

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You are going to fly to an airport about 30 minutes away to pick up a package for your business partner.

Your partner is away on an important business trip and you need to bring the package back so that the company president can complete negotiations on a new contract for your company.

The airplane you have originally scheduled, and usually fly, is not available and you are going to take another one, which is the same make and model.



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What are your actions?

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2. **Take the flight.**
3. **Take the flight and invite another qualified pilot to come along.**



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Scenario Exercise #3 (continued)

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ATC issues a hold prior to executing the approach after stating the weather is below minimums but improving.

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After the landing, maintenance found loose connectors on the radio and PFD and after waiting an additional 5 hours for service, the shop repairs them both.

You have regaining full panel and radio operations for the flight home.



What do you do now.

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After the landing, maintenance found loose connectors on the radio and PFD and repairs them both.

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panel and radio operations
for the flight home. (Discussion)

Question

1. Take the flight
2. Stay overnight and leave first thing in the morning
3. Ask your friend to fly back and you be the pilot who works the radios (Pilot Monitoring)
4. Take some other action

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IFR Scenario 4

You are a 2,000-hour instrument rated pilot flying turbo-charged, complex single to a three-day seminar you're conducting.

After departing a mid-point fuel stop for the final 2-½ hour leg, and climbing to VFR conditions on top of an overcast, the generator fails.

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Using your checklist, you accept the changed reality of this failure. Consider the following possible alternatives and choose the alternative that would be an acceptable way to deal this change:

1. Shut down all the electrical equipment and dead reckon to the destination. Over the destination, turn the master on and one NAV/COM for the approach.
2. Declare an emergency with ATC, reduce electrical load, return and land at your fuel stop.
3. Advise ATC of the problem, shut down all electrical equipment, and dead reckon to an area of known clear weather.

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Shut down all the electrical equipment and dead reckon to the destination. Over the destination, turn the master on and one NAV/COM for the approach.

Reality is that the airplane has changed, and you need to come to terms with these changes. You must change your plans.

There are many possible consequences of continuing to the destination including worsening weather and a significant possibility that you might have no battery power by the time you get there. Since your planned arrival is just before sunset, any delay will mean that you will arrive in the dark.

Declare an emergency with ATC, reduce electrical load, return and land at your fuel stop.

You would get ATC's full attention by declaring an emergency and have a better chance of landing with some electrical power.

Advise ATC of the problem, shut down all electrical equipment, and dead reckon to an area of known clear weather.

If you have good information on clear weather areas and plenty of fuel to get there, dead reckoning to such an area is a good alternative.