

Midland Gliding Club – Keeping the Log



Aim: To learn how to perform the task of keeping the log sheets.

Duty Pilot:

Log keeping is part of launch point operation. Every member will find himself doing his share of this task from time to time.

Log keeping:

The accurate recording of flying done is important and indeed, a legal requirement. Time sheets include accurate detail of the following for each flight conducted under the auspices of the Club:

Aircraft registration

Name of Pilot-in-Command

Name of Student Pilot as applicable

Time of take-off

Landing time

Duration of flight from take-off to landing

Pilots use the log sheets to check their flight details so they can record the detail in their own logbooks. The detail is also included in each gliders log book. Maintenance and ongoing serviceability of all aircraft is determined by the amount of flying they do. This includes both the hours they fly and the number of launches they have done. At the end of the day we must be able to account for all aircraft. Any missing aircraft may need to be reported to a search and rescue service. If you become aware that I glider has landed out, this should be recorded on the logsheet.

The club has a specially printed log sheet that is used for recording the flying done at the club site. This sheet is passed back to the office and the data entered in the computer system.

The important things to remember are:

Make sure someone is doing the job as missed flights lose money

Record details completely and accurately... all will be grateful of this

Write neatly... it makes the treasurer's job a lot easier.

On a day-to-day basis, anyone can help with doing the log; the idea is to take it in turns. Your instructor will take you through the task of log keeping at your club.