# DCS F/A-18 C LOT 20 COCKPIT GUIDE

# 311<sup>th</sup> FS GRYPHONS



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### PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to provide a quick and easy reference guide with which users can familiarize themselves with the Hornet cockpit and utilize in the event they need a reminder of where a particular control is or what its function is. This guide is not intended to be a complete procedure manual. While it does include start up procedures and some other procedure these should not be substituted for purpose built start up, emergency, or any other procedures or checklists.

#### VERSION

This document was built using the pre-alpha version of the F/A-18C Hornet. Updates will occur as possible. Pictures may not be updated and may show early textures and builds.

### LAYOUT

This document consists of an initial familiarization section, followed by various procedural sections.

#### Familiarization

The cockpit is segmented with each section starting with a title and labelled picture of that section. Below the picture will be either a basic legend of the controls, or a table with specific information about the controls, or both. Legends are basic information about controls or control groups. Tables represent individual controls and positions as well as what the controls are used for. If a normal or standard position exists for a control that position will be highlighted and lettered in green font.

In some cases, the basic controls will be described followed by more detailed looks at certain controls in a section. One example of this would be the Up Front Controller being described along with the HUD Control Panel and Advanced Multi-Purpose Color Display in a basic format, then each one being described in more detail in a dedicated section.

#### Procedural

Procedural sections have a title for the procedure followed by step by step instructions on how to complete the procedure. Switches, knobs, dials, and buttons will be labelled as they are in the cockpit as often as is possible. Control positions and indications will be stated as they will be seen in the cockpit as often as is possible. When directional descriptions are necessary the guide will use the terms "Fore" or "Forward", "Aft", "Left", "Right", "Inboard", and "Outboard".

# **FAMILIARIZATION**

### LEFT AFT CONSOLE AND WALL (BEHIND THROTTLE)



- 1. MC Mission Computer Switch
- 2. HYD ISOL Hydraulic Isolation Switch
- 3. OBOGS Panel Onboard Oxygen Generation System: Switch and Flow Dial
- 4. IFF Panel Identify Friend Foe
- 5. ANT SEL Switches Antenna Select
- 6. VOL Panel Volume
- 7. FCS Panel Flight Control System
- 8. FUEL Panel
- 9. APU And ENG CRANK Switches Auxiliary Power Unit and Engine Crank switches
- 10. Left Wall Breaker Panel FCS Channels 1 and 2, Speed Brake, and Launch Bar breakers

NUMBER	PANEL	LABEL	NAME	CONTROL	AV	AVAILABLE POSITIONS		USAGE
	NAME			ТҮРЕ	IF APPLICABLE	NORMAL POSI	TION IN GREEN	
1		MC	Mission Computer	Switch	1 OFF	NORM	2 OFF	resets MC1 or MC2 in case of failure
2		HYD ISOL	Hydraulic Isolation	Switch	ORIDE	NORM		overrides main system in case of failure
3	OBOGS	OBOGS	Onboard Oxygten Generation System	Switch	ON	OFF		turns OBOGS ON or OFF
3	OBOGS	OXY FLOW	Oxygen Flow	Knob	ON	OFF		set either full ON or full OFF
4	ILS	CHANNEL	Channel	Knob	1-20			manually set the ILS Channel if MAN selected on switch
4	ILS		ILS	Switch	UFC	MAN		select UFC or ILS knob as channel select
5	ANT SEL	COMM 1	Comm 1	Switch	UPPER	AUTO	LOWER	select antenna to use for COMM 1
5	ANT SEL	IFF	Identify Friend Foe	Switch	UPPER	AUTO	LOWER	select antenna to use for IFF
6	VOL	Various		Knobs				sets volume of various sounds through headset
7	FCS	RESET	FCS Reset	Button				resets FCS page on MDI
7	FCS	GAIN	FCS Gain	Guarded Switch	ORIDE	NORM		set discrete flap positions under 200 knots in ORIDE
7	FCS	RUD TRIM	Rudder Trim	Knob	L	R		set Left and Right Rudder Trim as needed
7	FCS	T/O TRIM	Take Off Trim	Button				push to set T/O trim
8	FUEL	DUMP	Dump	Switch	ON	OFF		dumps fuel through vertical stab dump tanks
8	FUEL	EXT TANK WING	Wing Tank	Switch	ORIDE	NORM	STOP	sets behavior of external wing tanks
8	FUEL	EXT TANK CTR	Centerline Tank	Switch	ORIDE	NORM	STOP	sets behavior of external centerline tank
8	FUEL	PROBE	Air Refuel Probe	Fenced Switch	EXTEND	RETRACT	EMERG EXTD	extends and retracts fuel probe
9	ENG CRANK	ENG CRANK	Engine Crank	Switch	L	R	OFF	starts cranking sel engine, auto OFF when done
9	APU	APU	Auxillery Power Unit	Switch	ON	OFF		starts APU, shuts off 1 min after done
10	BREAKER	FCS CHAN1, FCS CI	HAN 2, SPD BRK, LAUNCH BAR	Panel / Breakers				

# LEFT FORE CONSOLE (FORWARD OF THROTTLE)



- 1. GEN TIE CONTROL Generator Tie Control Switch
- 2. INTR WING Internal Wing Inhibit Switch
- 3. External Light Controls POSITION Knob, FORMATION Knob, and STROBE Switch
- 4. EXT PWR External Power Switch and GND PWR 1 4 Switches
- 5. FIRE Fire Test Switch

NUMBER	PANEL	LABEL	NAME	CONTROL	AVAILABLE POSITIONS				USAGE		
	NAME			TYPE	IF APPLICABLE	NORMAL POSI	TION IN GREEN				
1	GEN TIE	GEN TIE CONT	Generator Tie Control	Guarded Switch	RESET	NORM					override AC bus isolation circuit
2		INT WING	Internal Wing Inhibit	Switch	INHIBIT	NORM					controls flow of fuel from internal wing tanks
3	LT	FORMATION	Formation Lights	Knob	OFF-BRIGHT						
3	LT	POSITION	Position Lights	Knob	OFF-BRIGHT						
3	LT	STROBE	Strobe Light	Switch	BRT	OFF	DIM				
4	EXT PWR	EXT PWR	External Power	Switch	RESET	NORM	OFF				engergizes buses via external power
4	EXT PWR	1	Ground Power Station 1	Switch	A CH	AUTO	B CH				See Chart below
4	EXT PWR	2	Ground Power Station 2	Switch	A CH	AUTO	B CH				See Chart below
4	EXT PWR	3	Ground Power Station 3	Switch	A CH	AUTO	B CH				See Chart below
4	EXT PWR	4	Ground Power Station 4	Switch	A CH	AUTO	B CH				See Chart below
5		FIRE	Fire Test	Switch	TEST A	OFF	TEST B				Hold in TEST A / TEST B to test fire lights and warnings

GROUND POWER						
SW1	SW3					
POS A	POS A					
Mission Computer 1, MSDRS and L MDI	ALQ-126, ALE-39 INTFER BLANKER,					
POS B	Anti-Skid, OXY-Gaging, and ALR-67(V)					
Mission Computer 2 and POS A	POS B					
Equipment	SMS, AWW 4 HARM, FLIR, LST, Gun					
	Decoder, and POS A Equipment					
SW2						
POS A	SW4					
R MDI, HUD, RADAR, INS, and EHSI	POS A					
POS B	ICS					
TACAN, ADC, UHF 1, UHF 2, RDR	POS B					
Altimeter, CSC, ADF, BCN, RDR AUG	ICS, FCES					
Receiver, ILS, D L, IFF, KIT, EMD,						
Standby Instruments, KY-58, UFC						
and POS A Equipment						

#### LEFT VERTICAL CONSOLE



- 1. LDG GEAR Landing Gear Handle and Down Lock Override Button
- 2. LAUNCH BAR Launch Bar Switch
- 3. FLAP Flaps Switch
- 4. SELECT JETT Select Jettison Dial and Button (center)
- 5. LDG/TAXI LIGHT Landing/Taxi Light Switch
- 6. ANTI SKID Anti-Skid Switch
- 7. HOOK BYPASS Hook Bypass Switch
- 8. Brake Pressure Gauge
- 9. EMERG BRK / PARK BRK Emergency and Parking Brake Handle

NUMBER	PANEL	PANEL	LABEL	NAME	CONTROL	AVAILABLE POSITIONS					USAGE
	NAME	SECTION			TYPE		IF APPLICABLE	NORMAL POSI	TION IN GREEN		
1	LDG GEAR		LDG GEAR	Landing Gear	Handle	UP	DOWN				rasies / lowers gear, rotate and pull for emerg
1	LDG GEAR		DOWN LOCK ORIDE	Down Lock Override	Button						push and hold to retract L/G Handle stops
2			LAUNCH BAR	Launch Bar	Switch	RETRACT	EXTEND				extends / retracts the cat launch bar
3			FLAP	Flaps	Switch	AUTO	HALF	FULL			sets flaps
4	SELECT JETT		SELECT JETT	Selective Jettison	Knob	STORES	RACK LCHR	R FUS MSL	SAFE	L FUS MSL	turn to select items to jettison
4	SELECT JETT		JETT	Jettison	Button	JETT					push to jettison selected stations
5			LDG/TAXI LIGHT	Landing / Taxi Light	Switch	ON	OFF				tuns on / off landing and taxi lights
6			ANTI SKID	Anti-Skid	Switch	ON	OFF				turns on / off anti-skid
7			HOOK BYPASS	Hook Bypass	Switch	FIELD	CARRIER				sets AOA indexer based on landing type
8				Hydraulic Brake Accumulation	Gauge						
9			PARK BRAKE	Emergency / Parking Brake	Handle						pull emergency brake, pull + turn to set brake

### LEFT FORE DASH



- 1. Landing Gear and Flap Position Status Lights
- 2. JETT STATION SELECT CTR, LI, RI, LO, RO Station Select Buttons
- 3. IFEI Integrated Fuel and Engine Indicator various buttons and displays
- 4. MASTER Master Arm Switch and Emergency Jettison Button
- 5. A/A and A/G Master Mode Buttons
- 6. FIRE EXTGH Fire Extinguisher Indicator Lights
- Left Multi-Purpose Display Indicator (MDI formerly DDI)
  \*Warning lights and Master Caution above Left MDI

NUMBER	PANEL	LABEL	NAME	CONTROL	AVAILABLE POSITIONS		NS	USAGE
	NAME			TYPE	IF APPLICABLE	NORMAL POSITIO	ON IN GREEN	
1			Landing Gear and Flap Indicator	Lights				visual indication of landing gear and flap positions
2	JET STATION SELECT	CTR	Center	Button				selects center stations for jettison
2	JET STATION SELECT	LI	Left Inboard	Button				selects LI stations for jettison
2	JET STATION SELECT	RI	Right Inboard	Button				selects RI stations for jettison
2	JET STATION SELECT	LO	Left Outboard	Button				selects LO stations for jettison
2	JET STATION SELECT	RO	Right Outboard	Button				selects RO stations for jettison
3	IFEI	IFEI	Indicated Fuel and Engine Indicator	Various				shows / controls various engine perf and time items
4	EMERG JETT	PUSH TO JETT	Emergency Jettison	Button				
4	MASTER	MASTER	Master Arm	Switch	ARM	SAFE		
5		A/A	Air to Air Mode	Button	ON (LIT)	OFF (DARK)		sets into A/A mode, mutually exclusive with A/G
5		A/G	Air to Ground Mode	Button	ON (LIT)	OFF (DARK)		sets into A/G mode, mutually exclusive with A/A
6		FIRE EXTGH	Fire Extenguisher	Lights				indicator lights for fire extinguisher system
7		MDI	Multi-Purpose Display Instrument	Various				various

# DETAIL: Integrated Fuel and Engine Indicator



NUMBER	LABEL	NAME	USAGE
1	L ENGINE R	Engine Monitor Display	Shows engine RPM, EGT, FF, Nozzle Pos, and Oil Pressure
2	MODE	Mode Button	Changes right side of display (FUEL) to Maint and Time Setting modes
2	QTY	Quantity Button	Changes Fuel values to monitor various tanks, also changes options in Time Setting mode
2	$\leftarrow$	Up Button	Adjusts Bingo fuel in standard view, adjusts values in Time Setting mode
2	$\rightarrow$	Down Button	Adjusts Bingo fuel in standard view, adjusts values in Time Setting mode
2	ZONE	Zone Button	Changes between local and Zulu time
2	ET	Elapsed Time Button	Stop watch button, press to start, press to pause, press to restart, hold to reset
3	FUEL	Fuel Monitor Display	Shows total fuel, internal fuel, and Bingo fuel
4	TIME	Time Display	Displays COMM 1 selected channel

# DETAIL: Left Multi-Purpose Display Instrument



NUMBER	LABEL	NAME	USAGE		
1	NIGHT DAY	MDI Power Button	Sets MDI among OFF, NIGHT, and DAY values		
2	OSB 1-5	<b>Option Select Buttons</b>	Top OSBs for interacting with various MDI screens		
3	OSB 16-20	<b>Option Select Buttons</b>	Left OSBs for interacting with various MDI screens		
4	BRT	Brightness Knob	Adjust brightness of Left MDI		
5	OSB 11-15	<b>Option Select Buttons</b>	Bottom OSBs for interacting with various MDI screens		
6	CONT	Contrast Buttons	Adjusts the contrast of the Left MDI		
7	OSB 6-10	<b>Option Select Buttons</b>	Right OSBs for interacting with various MDI screens		
8	DISPLAY	MDI Display	Shows various pages depending on user input		

# **CENTER DASH**



- 1. UFC Up Front Controller
- 2. HUD Control Panel Head Up Display Control Panel
- 3. AMPCD Advanced Multi-Purpose Color Display

# **DETAIL: Up Front Controller**



NUMBER	LABEL	NAME	USAGE
1	I/P	I/P	Unknown or Unmodeled
2	ADF	Automatic Direction Finder	Sets COMM 1 or COMM 2 as ADF channel
3	VOL	COMM 1 Volume	COMM 1 Volume
4	COMM 1	COMM 1 Display	Displays COMM 1 selected channel
5		COMM 1 Knob	Turns on COMM 1 and selects channel
6	A/P	Autopilot	Sets UFC into A/P Mode
7	IFF	Identify Friend Foe	Sets UFC into IFF Mode
8	TCN	TACAN	Sets UFC into TACAN Mode
9	ILS	Instrument Landing System	Sets UFC into ILS Mode
10	D/L	Datalink	Sets UFC into D/L Mode
11	BCN	Beacon	Sets UFC into BCN Mode
12	ON OFF	On / Off	Turns items On or Off
13		Scratchpad	Shows key entries from keypad
14		Keypad	Enters data into scratchpad
15		Option Select Buttons	Selects options displayed in value displays
16		Option Select Displays	Shows optional values for selected mode
17		COMM 2 Knob	Turns on COMM 2 and selects channel
18	COMM 2	COMM 2 Display	Displays COMM 2 selected channel
19	VOL	Volume	COMM 2 Volume
20	EM CON	Emitter Delete	Shuts down certain emitters
21	BRT DIM	UFC Brightness	Sets brightness of the UFC

### **DETAIL: HUD Controller**



NUMBER	R LABEL NAME		USAGE
1	REJ	HUD Reject Switch	Determines what HUD symbology is shown
2	BRT	HUD Brightness Knob	Changes brightness of HUD
3	DAY NIGHT	HUD Day Night Mode Switch	Sets HUD to Day or Night modes
4	BLK LVL	Black Level Knob	Adjusts video Black level
5	W/B	White Balance Switch	Adjusts video White Balance
6	BAL	Balance Knob	Adjusts video Balance
7	AOA	AOA Brightness Knob	Changes AOA Indicator Brightness
8	ALT	Altitude Mode Switch	Changes between BARO and RDR ALT
9	ATT	Attitude Mode Switch	Changes Attitude Source Information

# DETAIL: Advanced Multi-Purpose Color Display



NUMBER	LABEL	NAME	USAGE
1	HDG	Heading Switch	Hold to adjust heading in HSI
2	DAY NGT	Day / Night Switch	Changes between Day and Night modes
3	BRT	Brightness Knob	Sets AMPCD Brightness
4	SYM	Symbol Switch	Unknown
5	CRS	Course Switch	Hold to adjust course in HIS
6	OSB 1-5	Object Select Keys 1-5	Interacts with AMPCD screens
7	OSB 6-20	Object Select Keys 6-10	Interacts with AMPCD screens
8	CONT	Contrast Buttons	Adjusts Contrast of AMPCD
9	OSB 11-15	Object Select Keys 11-15	Interacts with AMPCD screens
10	GAIN	Gain Buttons	Adjust Gain of AMPCD
11	OSB 16-20	Object Select Keys 16-20	Interacts with AMPCD screens
12	DISPLAY	AMPCD Display	Shows various pages, usually HSI

### **RIGHT MDI AND RIGHT DASH**



NUMBER	PANEL	LABEL	NAME	CONTROL	AVAILABLE POSITIONS			USAGE
	NAME			TYPE	IF APPLICABLE	NORMAL POSI	TION IN GREEN	
1	MDI	NIGHT DAY	Power	Knob	OFF	NIGHT	DAY	Powers on MDI and sets mode
2	MDI		Object Select Buttons 1-5	Button				Interacts with MDI Screens
3	MDI		Object Select Buttons 16-20	Button				Interacts with MDI Screens
4	MDI	BRT	MDI Brightness	Knob				Sets brightness of R MDI
5	MDI		Object Select Buttons 11-15	Button				Interacts with MDI Screens
6	MDI	CONT	MDI Contrast	Knob				Sets contrast of MDI Screens
7	MDI		Object Select Buttons 6-10	Button				Interacts with MDI Screens
8	MDI		Multi-Purpose Display Instrument	Display				Displays various pages based on user input
9	IR COOL	IR COOL	IR Cool	Switch	ORIDE	NORM	OFF	Cools the IR seeker head
10	HMD	HMD	Helmet Mounted Display Brightness	Knob	OFF	BRT		Sets brightness of the HMD
11	SPIN	SPIN	Spin Recover	Switch	NORM	RCVY		Sets mode of the recover system

# **RIGHT VERTICAL CONSOLE**



NUMBER	LABEL	NAME	USAGE		
1	HYD PRESS	Hydraulic Pressure Gauge	Shows pressure in PSI X 1000 of both systems		
2		Right Panel Advisory Lights	Shows various cautions and status indicators		
3	AV COOL	Avionics Cool Switch	Cools Flight Comp A and R Trans Rect with Ram Air		
4	WING FOLD	Wing Fold Handle	Folds / Unfolds and Locks Wings		
5	HOOK	Tail Hook Handle and Light	Lowers / Raises and Locks Tail Hook		
6	RALT	Radar Altimeter	Radar Altimeter and Setting knob		

#### **RIGHT CONSOLE AND WALL**



- 1. ELECTRICAL Battery and Generator
- 2. ECS Environmental Control System: Cabin and Engine Air Systems, Pitot and Engine Anti-Ice
- 3. INTR LT Internal Lighting Panel: Console, Instrument, Flood, Caution, and Chart lights, NVG/Day Modes
- 4. SNSR Sensor Panel: RADAR, INS, FLIR, LTD/R, and LST/NFLIR
- 5. KY-58 ENCRYPTION SYSTEM
- 6. DEFOG Cockpit Defog and Windshield Anti-Ice/Rain system
- 7. CANOPY Canopy Open/Close
- 8. FCS BIT Flight Control System Built In Test switch
- 9. Right Wall Breaker Panel FCS Channels 3 and 4, Hook, and Landing Gear breakers

NUMBER	PANEL	LABEL	NAME	CONTROL AVAILABLE POSITIONS		USAGE						
	NAME			TYPE	TYPE IF APPLICABLE NORMAL POSITION IN GREEN							
1	ELECTRICAL	BATT	Battery Voltage Indicator	Gauge								Shows voltage for batteries
1	ELECTRICAL	L GEN	Left Generator	Switch	NORM	OFF						Turns on Left Generator
1	ELECTRICAL	BATT	Battery	Switch	ON	OFF	ORIDE					Connects Power from Utility and Emergency Batteries
1	ELECTRICAL	R GEN	Right Generator	Switch	NORM	OFF						Turns on Right Generator
2	ECS	MODE	Mode	Switch	AUTO	MAN	OFF/RAM					Controls airflow into the cabin
2	ECS	TEMP	Temperature	Knob								Controls cabin air temperature
2	ECS	CABIN PRESS	Cabine Pressure	Switch	NORM	DUMP	RAM/DUMP					
2	ECS	PITOT	Pitot Anti Ice	Switch	ON	AUTO						Turns on pitot heat, in auto will turn on when airborne
2	ECS	EGN	Engine Anti Ice	Switch	ON	OFF	TEST					Turns on engine anti ice system
2	ECS	BLEED AIR	Bleed Air	Knob	OFF	LOFF	NORM	R OFF				Controls bleed air from engines
3	INTR LT	CONSOL ES	Console Lighting	Knob	OFF	BRT						Sets brightness of console lighting
3	INTR LT	INST PNL	Instrument Panel Lighting	Knob	OFF	BRT						Sets brightness of instrument panel lighting
3	INTR LT	FLOOD	Flood Light	Knob	OFF	BRT						Sets brightness of flood light
3	INTR LT	LT TEST	Light Test	Switch	TEST	OFF						Tests the cockpit warn, advis, instr, and caut lights
3	INTR LT	WARN/CAUT	Warning and Caution Lighting	Knob	DIM	BRT	RESET					Sets brightness of warning and caution lights
3	INTR LT	CHART	Chart Light	Knob	OFF	BRT						Sets brightness of chart light
3	INTR LT	MODE	Cockpit Lighting Mode	Switch	NVG	DAY						Sets cockpit mode for day use or Night Vision use
4	SNSR	FLIR	Forward Looking Infrared	Switch	ON	STBY	OFF					Manages the power of the FLIR
4	SNSR	LTD/R	Laser Target Designating and Ranging	Switch	ARM	SAFE	AFT					Manages the power of the LTD/R
4	SNSR	LST/NFLR	Laser Spot Tracking Nav FLIR	Switch	ON	OFF						Manages the power of the LST/NFLR
4	SNSR	RADAR	Radar	Knob	OFF	STBY	OPR	PULL EMERG				Sets the state of the RADAR system
4	SNSR	INS	Inertial Navigation System	Knob	OFF	CV	GND	NAV	GYRO	GB	TEST	Manages the INS system and used for alignment
5			KY-58 Encryption System									
6		DEFOG	Defog	Handle	HIGH	LOW						
6		WINSHIELD	Windshield Anti Ice	Switch	RAIN	OFF	ANTI ICE					
7		CANOPY	Canopy Open Close	Switch	OPEN	HOLD	CLOSE					
8		FCS BIT	FCS BIT Test	Switch	OFF	ON						
9	9 FCS CHAN 3, FCS CHAN 4, HOOK, LG		Panel / Breakers									

# PROCEDURES

### START UP PROCEDURE



#### Images from pre alpha DCS F/A-18C Lot 20

START UP							
CONTROL	POS/ACTION	NOTES	LOCATION	]			
PARKING BRAKE	SET		L Vert Con		1	IF COLD	1
BATTERY	ORIDE	Check EBATT 23.5V	R Con Fore	FCS RESET	HOLD		L Con Mid
BATTERY	ON	Check EBATT 23.5V	R Con Fore	FCS BIT	ON	Wait for FCS BIT to complete	Right Wall
BRAKE PRESSURE		Check 3,000 PSI	L Vert Con		A	LL STARTS CONTINUED	1
FIRE TEST	TEST A (HOLD)	Check lights and auditory signals	L Con Fore	IFEI BINGO	SET	As desired	IFEI
FIRE TEST	Release		L Con Fore			24° STAB UP	
BATTERY	OFF		R Con Fore			3° STAB DOWN	
BATTERY	ON		R Con Fore			25° L ROLL	Stick and FCS Page
FIRE TEST	TEST B (HOLD)	Check lights and auditory signals	L Con Fore			25° R ROLL	
FIRE TEST	Release		L Con Fore	CONTROLS	CHECK	±15° YAW BOTH DIRECTIONS	
CANOPY	CLOSE		Right Wall			Press TCN on UFC	
APU	ON	Wait for Green Ready light	L Con Mid			ON	
ENG CRANK	R	Watch for 20% RPM on IFEI	L Con Mid			CLR	
		Watch for @ 60% RPM, listen for				Enter TACAN Station	UFC and AMPCD
		"ROLL LEFT, ROLL LEFT" and	R Throttle and IFEI			ENT	
R THROTTLE	IDLE	Master Cuation tone				Check X/Y on UFC	
IFEI		Check for < 815°C Engine Temp	IFEI	TCN	SET	Set Course on HSI	
INS KNOB	GND		R Con Mid			MENU twice on L MDI	
BLEED AIR	NORM	Rotate 360° CW back to NORM	R Con Fore			HSI on L MDI	MDI and LIEC
L MDI	ON		l MDI			TIMEUFC on L MDI	
R MDI	ON		R MDI	Zulu Time	HUD	ZTOD on UFC	
HUD	ON		HUD CON	L MDI		Set FCS Page (MENU, MENU, FCS)	L MDI
AMPCD	ON		AMPCD	ANTI SKID	ON		L Vert Con
COMM 1	SET		UFC	FLAPS	HALF		L Vert Con
COMM 2	SET		UFC	TAXI LIGHTS	ON		L Vert Con
STANDBY INDICATOR	UNCAGE		Gauges	HOOK BYPASS	AS NEEDED		L Vert Con
RADAR ALTIMETER	SET		R Vert Con	INS	NAV		R Con Mid
RADAR ALTIMETER	ON		HUD CON	L MDI		Set to T/O Check List	L MDI
L MDI	SET TO FCS		l MDI	R MDI		Set to FCS	R MDI
ENG CRANK	L	Watch for 20% RPM on IFEI	L Con Mid	PARKING BRAKE	RELEASE		L Vert Con
L THROTTLE	IDLE	Watch for @ 60% RPM	L Throttle		PRI	OR TO TAKING RUNWAY	
OBOGS	ON		L Con Aft	EJECTION SEAT	ARM		Seat Arm
OBOGS FLOW	SET		L Con Aft		ON	RUNWAY PRIOR TO T/O	
RADAR	OPER		R Con Mid	L MDI		Set to HUD	L MDI
MASTER CAUTION	CLICK	If Master Caution lit	L Dash	BRAKES	HOLD		Rudder
MASTER CAUTION	CLICK	If previous action taken	L Dash	THROTTLES	80%	Check Values	Throttle and IFEI
FCS RESET	PRESS		L Con Mid	CONTROLS		Wipe	Stick
T/O TRIM	PRESS	Check FCS for 12° Stabs	L Con Mid	BRAKES	RELEASE		Rudder
FLAPS	AUTO		L Vert Con	THROTTLES	MAX/MIL		Throttle
		Check FCS control surfaces, all			At rotate speed	pull back @7°	Stick
FCS MDI PAGE		should be 0° except Stabs	LIVIDI	Gear up before 240 knots		e 240 knots	L Vert Con

### **CARRIER LANDING**

CARRIER CASE 1 LANDING						
Enter 5 nm orbit around carrier						
	UFC A/P					
Establish BARO hold at 2,000 ft	Select BALT					
ATC	Engage at 250 kts					
R MDI	Set to FCS					
L MDI	Set to HUD					
MASTER ARM	OFF					
	Setup:					
	TCN on UFC					
	ON/OFF to turn ON					
TACAN	Press CLR					
	Enter TCN (5-5 for Stenis)					
	Press ENT					
	Check X/Y					
	Set TCN Course line to heading:					
	TCN on AMPCD					
HSI	Adjust Heading until aligned					
	type heading in UFC					
	Press ENT on UFC					
DEFOG	HIGH					
RADALT GAUGE	Set 370 ft					
НООК	DOWN					
ALT	RADALT					
ANTI SKID	OFF					
HOOK BYPASS	CARRIER					
Maintain altitude and speed as	needed, circle carrier					
Break 2,000 ft deck abeam and b	ehind the boat (base)					
Pass on starboard side of carrier at 800 ft / 350 kts						
Break into pattern on crosswind ≤ 1.5 nm ahead of carrier						
Slow to < 250 knots						
GEAR	DOWN					
FLAPS	FULL					
Level off on downwind 1.2 - 1.3 nm parrellel to carrier course line						
Establish 8.1° AOA (watch indicator) at 600 ft						
Adjsut power and trim to maintain						
When round down and stern are visible on carrier roll in 30°						
Establish 100-200 ft/min descent	through first 90° of turn					
Roll out on groove						
Keep IFLOS ball on HUD centered						
Maintain ball, alignment with runway, and AOA - repeatedly						
Follow the ball to touch down - don't look at deck						



Figure 8.2, Page III-8-10, A1-F18AC-NFM-000 NATOPS Flight Manual



Image from pre-alpha DCS F/A-18C Lot 20

### CARRIER CATAPULT TRIM AND POWER SETTINGS

CAT LAUNCH ASYMMETRIC STORES ROLL TRIM					
Weight Difference	Unloaded Wing Down Trim				
< 11,000 lb	No Trim				
11,000 lb	2°				
12,000 lb	2.5°				
13,000 lb	3.25°				
14,000 lb	3.75°				
15,000 lb	4.5°				
16,000 lb	5°				
17,000 lb 5.5°					
≥ 18,000 lb 6°					
* estimated trim settings based on Figure 8-1 of					
NATOPS					
$\leq$ 36,000 weight do not load > 6,000 lb asymmetric					

CAT LAUNCH PITCH TRIM					
Weight Board	NU Trim				
≤ 44,0000 lbs	16°				
45,000 - 48,000 lbs	17°				
≥ 49,000 lbs	19°				

CAT THROTTLE SETTINGS					
Weight Board	Power				
	MIL				
≤ 44,000 lbs	MIL/MAX				
	MAX				
≥ 45,000 lbs	MAX				