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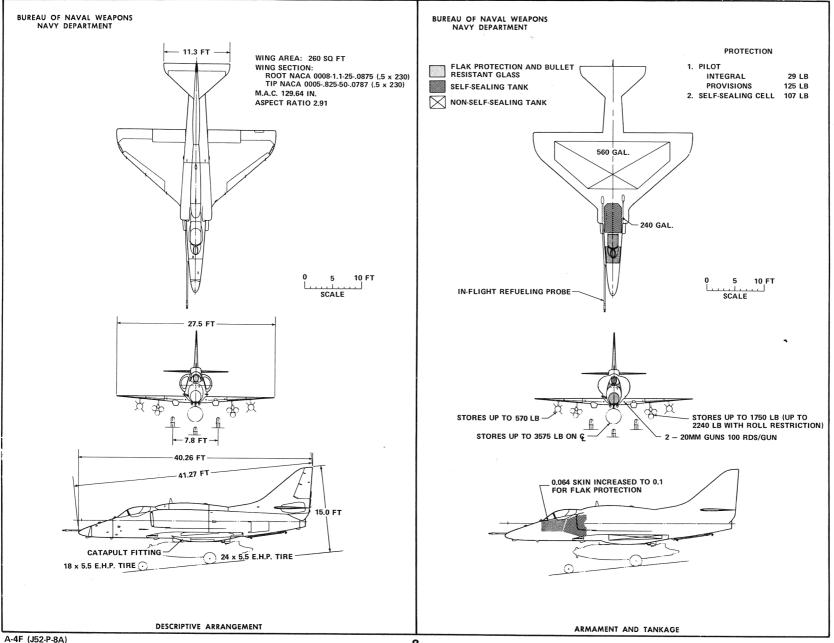




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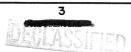




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POWER PLANT	MISSION AND DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTS				
Jumber and Model (1) J52-P-8A Axial Flow Twin Spool Turbojet without Afterburner AFR: Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Epec No. N-1844-B Length	The Model A-4F is a single-place, carrier-based, light-attack or close-support airplane. It is an improved version of the Model A-4E. The J52-P-6A engine, used in the A-4E, is replaced by the more powerful J52-P-8A engine. Other improvements include nose wheel steering, wing landing spoilers, a zero-zero ejection seat, upper avionics pod, and more advanced avionics equipment. The A-4F can operate from all types of carriers carrying a wide variety of conventional and special weapons. It is capable of in-flight fueling (tanker or receiver).	LOADINGS	169 – 1938 – 504 7.0 180 5.1 500 3.6			
RATINGS Military 12,060 rpm 9300 lb Normal 11,660 rpm 8200 lb	The arrangement is conventional with all-metal semi-monocoque structure and three-spar low-aspect-ratio wing. Landing gear, flaps and speed brakes are hydraulically operated. An electrically operated, fully adjustable stabilizer is used to trim throughout the normal flight range. The aileron, elevator, and rudder systems are hydraulic-power operated. Manual control is provided for emergencies. An automatic flight control system is provided for pilot relief.	Arrest 14, Airfield 16,				
	The small size of the airplane precludes the need for folding wings. The aft fuselage is readily removable to permit quick engine change.	FUEL AND OIL				
	Spotting: A total of 175 airplanes can be accommodated in a landing spot on the	Gal. No. Tanks				
FIFCTRONICS	flight and hangar decks of a CVA-59 class carrier.	560	Locatio Wing			
ELECTRONICS		240 1	Fusela			
lectronics Central AN/ASQ-17B consisting of: Function Equivalent to:		In-flight fueling is installed. Fuel Spec MIL-J-5624 (latest issu				
Communications Radio		5.0 gal. mounted on engine Oil Spec	MIL-L-2368			
Radar Navigation		ORDNANCE				
lavigation Computer AN/ASN-41 ABS AN/AJB-3A Autopilot Douglas tore Arming AN/AWW-1 thrike and Bullpup Provisions	DEVELOPMENT Authority to Proceed December 1965 First Flight August 1966 First Fleet Delivery January 1967	No. Location 1 Fuselage Center Line 2 Inboard Wing 2 Outboard Wing *No Roll Restriction. Up to 2240 lb with Roll Restriction	Loading Up to 3575 lb *Up to 1750 lb Up to 570 lb			
	DIMENSIONS	Sp to 2270 to man non resultation.				
	Span .27.5 ft Length .41.3 ft* Height .15.0 ft Max Tread 7.8 ft Turning Radius .20.5 ft* Wing Area .260 sq ft	GUN: 2 Lower Wing Outboard of Fuselage	MK-12 20mm Guns with 100 rounds per gun			





		PI	ERFORMANCE SUM	MARY		· 00-110AA4-0		
TAKE-OFF LOADING CONDITION		(1) Hi-Hi-Hi Clean Airplane	(3) S.L. Store Delivery 1-MK 28 Store	(5) Close Support 1-300 Gal Tank 12-MK 81 Snakeyes	(7) Close Support 3-AGM 12B (Bullpup A) 2-300 Gal Tanks	(9) Ferry 3-300 Gal Tanks		
TAKE-OFF WEIGHT	lb.	16,576	19,356	23,572	23,814	23,999		
Fuel internal/external (JP-5)	lb./lb.	5440/NONE	5440/NONE	5440/2040	5440/4080	5440/6120		
Payload	lb.	NONE	2040	3600	1710	NONE		
Wing loading	lb./sq. ft.	63.8	74.4	90.7	91.6	92.3		
Stall speed—power-off	kn.	116	125	141	141	142		
Take-off run at S.L.— calm (A)	ft.	1900	2570	4110	4210	4280		
Take-off run at S.L.— 25 kn. wind (A)	ft.	1280	1780	2980	3060	3120		
Take-off to clear 50 ft.— calm (A)	ft.	2870	3740	5750	5880	5970		
Max. speed/altitude (A)	kn./ft.	589/3500	561/7500	478/10,000	496/5000	539/6000		
Rate of climb at S.L. (A)	fpm.	10,300	7900	4750	5250	5650		
Time: S.L. to 20,000 ft. (A)	min.	2.6	3.6	7.1	6.0	5.4		
Time: S.L. to 30,000 ft. (A)	min.	4.3	6.5	_	15.4	12.0		
Service ceiling (100 fpm) (A)	ft.	41,900	37,300	28.000	30,200	31,500		
Combat range (tanks and stores retained)	n.mi.	1100	780	695	1175	1735 (C)		
Average cruising speed	kn.	418	409	368	390	401		
Cruising altitude(s)	ft.	34,800-40,500	30,600-35,500	23,500-29,300	24,600-33,400	25,200-36,900		
Combat radius/mission time	n.mi./hr.	515/2.5	185/0.9 (B)	210/2.1	435/3.2	25,200-36,900		
Average cruising speed	kn.	418	410	382	398	_		
COMBAT LOADING CONDITION		(2)	(4) Store Retained	(6) Tank Dropped Stores Retained	(8) Tanks Dropped Missiles Retained	(10) Tanks Retained		
COMBAT WEIGHT	lb.	14,400	17,180	21,349	19,337	17,879		
Engine power		MILITARY	MILITARY	MILITARY	MILITARY	MILITARY		
Fuel	lb.	3264	3264	5440	5440	5440		
Combat speed/combat altitude	kn./ft.	530/36,600	556/S.L.	486/5000	507/5000	533/S.L.		
Rate of climb/combat altitude	fpm/ft.	3150/33,000	9100/S.L.	4750/5000	6300/5000	8200/S.L.		
Combat ceiling (500 fpm)	ft.	43,900	38,600	29,200	34,500	36,800		
Rate of climb at S.L.	fpm.	12,000	9100	5600	7300	8200		
Max. speed at S.L.	kn.	588	556	477	506	533		
Max. speed/altitude	kn./ft.	590/3500	562/8000	491/12,000	507/5000	540/7000		
LANDING WEIGHT	lb.	11,942	12,734	13,324	13,282	12.027		
					13,202	13,667		
Fuel	lb.	806	858	1015	1005	1220		
Stall speed—power-off/approach power	lb. kn./kn.	806 98/94	858 101/97	1015 104/99	1095 103/99	1228 107/102		

(A) Military Thrust, takeoff weight, stores and tanks retained.
(B) With 2-300 gallon tanks, the combat radius is 540 nautical miles.
(C) Ferry range is 1880 nautical miles if tanks are dropped when empty.

(D) With spoilers open after touchdown.

NOTE: All loadings except clean airplane include guns, ammunition, and pylons on all stations. Performance Basis: NATC and DAC flight tests of the Models A-4F and TA-4F.

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MISSION SUMMARY — ALTERNATE LOADINGS													
	CLOSE SI	JPPORT	HI-LO-LO-HI		S.L. STORE DELIVERY		ні-ні-ні		10-10-10		HI-LO-HI		
	1 HR LOITER		SEA LEVEL 100 CRUISE 100 In mi		SEA LEVEL 50 50 THRUST THRUST		5 MINUTES @ MILITARY THRUST (BEST CRUISE ALTITUDE)		(A)		(3)		
EXTERNAL STORE LOADING (B)	T.O.G.W.	COMBAT RADIUS n mi	MISSION TIME hr	COMBAT RADIUS n mi	MISSION TIME hr	COMBAT RADIUS n mi	MISSION TIME hr	COMBAT RADIUS n mi	MISSION TIME hr	COMBAT RADIUS n mi	MISSION TIME hr	COMBAT RADIUS n mi	MISSION TIME hr
1 Clean Airplane	16,576	270	2.3	280	1.6	250	1.2	515	2.5	215	1.6	405	2.0
(1) MK 28 STORE	19,356	160	1.8	205	1.3	185	0.9	400	2.0	185	1.4	310	1.6
5 (1) 300 GAL DROP TANK (12) MK 81 SNAKEYES	23,572	210	2.1	280	1.8	275	1.5	425	2.3	235	1.8	365	2.0
(3) AGM 12B (BULLPUP A) (2) 300 GAL DROP TANKS	23,814	435	3.2	500	2.8	480	2.5	660	3.4	350	2.5	590	3.0
9 (3) 300 GAL DROP TANKS	23,999	690	4.4	735	3.9	725	3.6	905	4.5	470	3.2	830	4.2
(1) MK 28 STORE (2) 300 GAL DROP TANKS	23,833	495	3.4	555	3.0	540	2.7	730	3.7	375	2.6	650	3.3
(6) MK 81 SNAKEYES	19,324	130 ^(C)	1.7	185 ^(C)	1.3	165 ^(C)	0.9	350	1.9	170	1.3	275	1.5
(6) MK 81 SNAKEYES (2) 300 GAL DROP TANKS	23,801	425	3.2	490	2.8	475	2.4	645	3.4	345	2.5	575	3.0
(6) MK 82 SNAKEYES	20,914	105 ^(C)	1.6	175 ^(C)	1.2	155 ^(C)	0.9	325	1.7	165	1.3	250	1.4
(6) MK 82 SNAKEYES (2) 300 GAL DROP TANKS	24,500 (-891)	320	2.7	395	2.3	385	2.0	550	2.9	300	2.2	480	2.5
(6) MK 82 SNAKEYES (12) MK 81 SNAKEYES	24,500 (-464)	15 ^(C)	1.1	115 ^(C)	1.0	95 ^(C)	0.6	195	1.2	115	1.0	145	0.9
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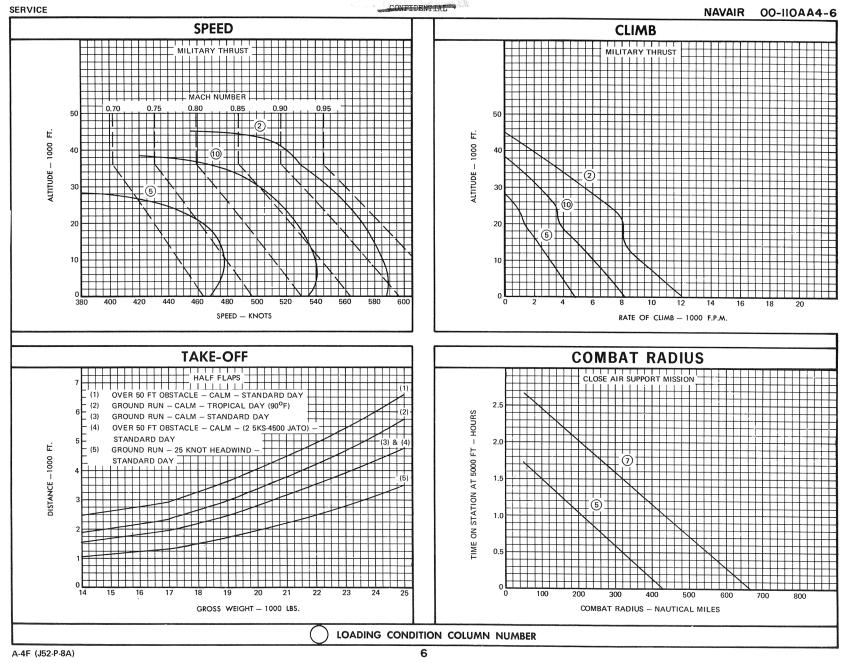
Data Basis: NATC and DAC flight tests of the Models A-4F and TA-4F.

- (A) 5 minutes at military thrust at sea level.
- (B) All loadings include guns, ammunition and five pylons. Mission times do not include times for warm-up and takeoff, or 20 minutes loiter at sea level.
- (C) Based on cruise at intermediate altitude instead of optimum cruise altitude to obtain maximum climb plus cruise distance.

 (D) Fuel offloaded to meet maximum takeoff weight limit.



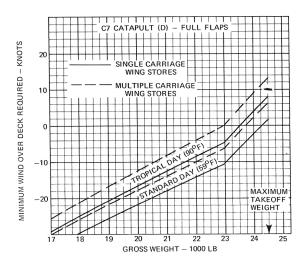




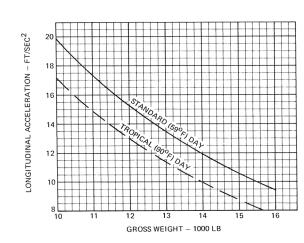
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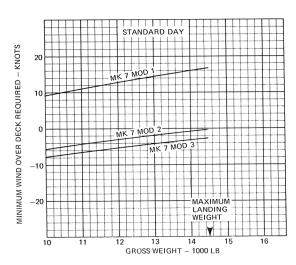




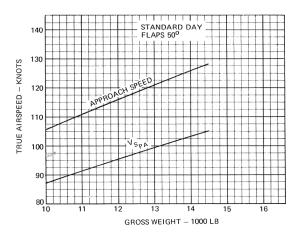
WAVE-OFF ACCELERATION (F)



MINIMUM WIND OVER DECK REQUIRED FOR ARRESTING VS. GROSS WEIGHT (E)



CARRIER APPROACH SPEEDS (G)



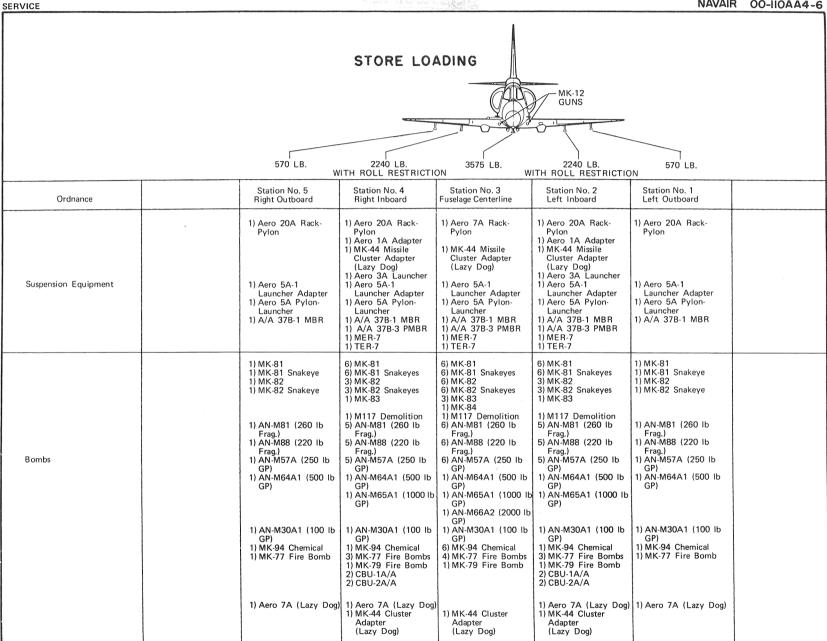
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- CATAPULT TAKEOFF SPEEDS ARE DERIVED FROM A CORRELATION OF NATC MINIMUM ON A-4A, A-4B, A-4E, A-4F AND TA-4F.
 CATAPULT END-SPEED IS LIMITED BY A MAXIMUM LONGITUDINAL ACCELERATION OF 5,47g OR A MAXIMUM TOW FORCE OF 120,000 LB.
 CATAPULT END-SPEEDS CORRESPOND TO METERING ROD CATAPULT SERVICE CHANGES (CSC 253 FOR C7; CSC 271 FOR C11-1).
 MINIMUM WIND OVER DECK REQUIRED FOR C11-1 CATAPULT IS C7 REQUIREMENT PLUST 3 KNOTS. NOTE: CURRENT

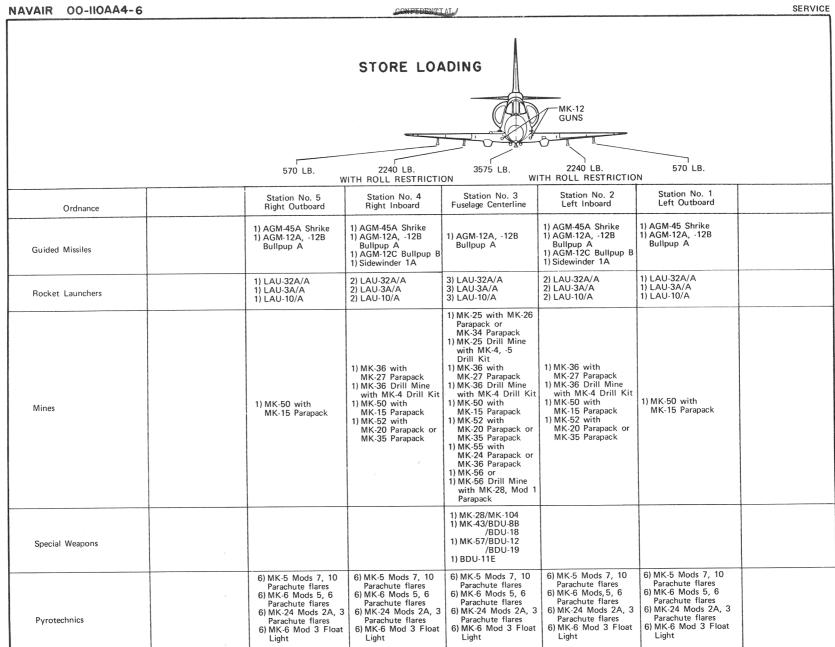
- OPERATIONAL RESTRICTION FOR CATAPULT FROM C11-1 LIMITS MODEL A-4 MAXIMUM WEIGHT TO 22,800 POUNDS.

- ENGAGING SPEED LIMITED BY 5.149 MAXIMUM HORIZONTAL LOAD FACTOR.
 WAVE-OFF ACCELERATION BASED ON LONGITUDINAL ACCELERATION AT APPROACH SPEED.
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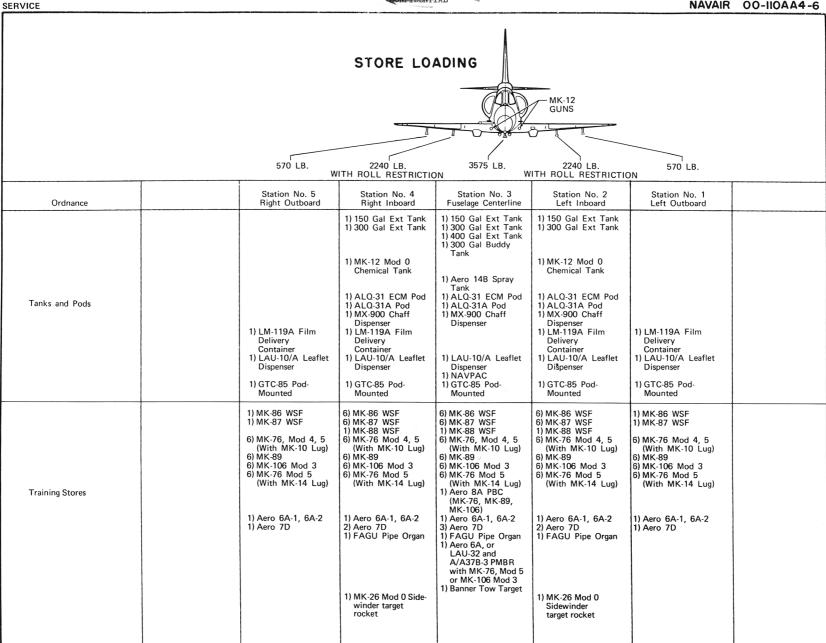






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HI-HI-HI

Warmup, Taxi, Takeoff: Five minutes at sea level static with normal power

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise out: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude (drop external fuel tanks when empty)

Combat: Five minutes at optimum cruise altitude with military power (stores on, no distance gained) Stores dropped after combat

Cruise back: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude

Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level

SEA LEVEL STORE DELIVERY

Warmup, Taxi, Takeoff: Five minutes at sea level static with normal power

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise out: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude (drop external fuel tanks when empty)

Descend: To sea level when fifty nautical miles from target (no fuel used, no distance gained)

Run in: Fifty nautical miles at sea level at maximum speed with military power

Combat: Five minutes at sea level with military power (stores on, no distance gained) Stores dropped after combat.

Run out: Fifty nautical miles at sea level at maximum speed with military power

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise back: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude

Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level

CLOSE AIR SUPPORT

Warmup, Taxi, Takeoff: Five minutes at sea level static with normal power

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise out: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude (drop external fuel tanks when empty)

Descend: To 5000 feet (no fuel used, no distance gained)

Loiter: One hour at maximum endurance speed at 5000 feet (stores on, no distance gained) Stores dropped at end of loiter

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise back: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude

Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level

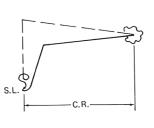
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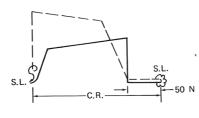
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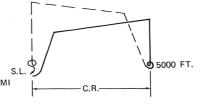
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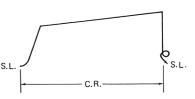
Cruise out: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude

Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level









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HI-LO-LO-HI

Warmup, Taxi, Takeoff: Five minutes at sea level static with normal power Climb: On course to optimum

cruise altitude with military power

Cruise out: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude (drop external fuel tanks when empty)

Descend: To sea level when 100 nautical miles from target (no fuel used, no distance gained)

Cruise out: At sea level at maximum range speed to target

Combat: Five minutes at sea level with military power (stores on, no distance gained) Stores dropped after combat

Cruise back: At sea level at maximum range speed to a point 100 nautical miles from target

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise back: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude

Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level

LO-LO-LO

Warmup, Taxi, Takeoff: Five minutes at sea level static with normal power Cruise out: At maximum range speed at sea level (drop external fuel tanks when empty) Combat: Five minutes at sea level with military power (stores on, no distance gained) Stores dropped after combat Cruise back: At maximum range speed at sea level

Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level

HI-LO-HI

Warmup, Taxi, Takeoff: Five minutes at sea level static with normal power

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise out: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude (drop external fuel tanks when empty)

Descend: To sea level (no fuel used, no distance gained)

Combat: Five minutes at sea level with military power (stores on, no distance gained) Stores dropped after combat

Climb: On course to optimum cruise altitude with military power

Cruise back: At maximum range speed at optimum cruise altitude Reserve: 5% of initial fuel plus 20 minutes at maximum endurance speed at sea level

