General Aviation Joint Steering Committee

Loss of Control Working Group 1

Fly the Aircraft First

**Outreach Guidance Document**

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This outreach guidance is provided to all FAA and aviation industry groups that are participating in outreach efforts sponsored by the General Aviation Joint Steering Committee (GAJSC). It is important that all outreach on a given topic is coordinated and is free of conflicts. Therefore, all outreach products should be in alignment with the outline and concepts listed below for this topic.

**Outreach Month: August 2016**

**Topic: Fly the Aircraft First (SE 34)**

The FAA and industry will conduct a public education campaign emphasizing the necessity for pilots to maintain control of their aircraft at all times.

**Background:**

NTSB accident data suggest that pilots, while distracted by less essential tasking, have lost control of their aircraft and crashed. In light of this, pilots are reminded to maintain aircraft control at all times. This may mean delay in responding to ATC communications and passenger requests or not responding at all unless positive aircraft can be maintained throughout the flight. In other words, ***Fly the Aircraft First!***

**Teaching Points:**

* Discuss the role of distractions and inappropriate priorities in aircraft accidents.
* Offer tips to maintain proficiency and control discipline.
* Provide information on prioritization and dealing with distractions.

**Note:** This outreach consists of this guidance document, Power Point presentation, and presentation notes.

**References:**

* ***GAJSC Loss of Control Work Group Report***

<http://www.gama.aero/files/ral_Aviation_Joint_Steering_Committee_DLV_v7.pdf>

* ***Eastern Airlines Flight 402 Accident Report***
  + <http://www.ntsb.gov/investigations/AccidentReports/Pages/AAR7314.aspx>
  + [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/**Eas**tern\_Air\_Lines\_Flight\_**401**](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eastern_Air_Lines_Flight_401)
* ***Airplane Flying Handbook Chapter 16 Emergency Procedures***
  + <http://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/handbooks_manuals/aircraft/airplane_handbook/>
* ***Risk Management Handbook Chapter 6 Single-Pilot Resource Management***
  + <http://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/handbooks_manuals/aviation/risk_management_handbook/>

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