Top Most Common Mistakes Pilots Make and discussion questions.

1. Not getting a full weather brief before every flight - How do you get yours? Do you get the same briefing for X/C or just a local traffic pattern flight?

2. Rushing through a preflight. What should be the minimum time? Do you do the same preflight for every flight? How about if stopped for just few minutes?

3. Doing an incomplete or no run-up. How long is it suppose to take? Is it going to be the same run-up for every type flight? How about if you stopped for just 10 min?

4. Multitasking while taxiing - do you do it?

5. Not using a checklist every time. What checklist do you use? (digital, paper, other…) Are you using the same checklist for local as well as for X/C flight?

6. Hand-held GPS users, getting too close to airspace - Would you rather avoid than talk? How about a TFR?

7. Not having a taxi diagram out while taxiing - Do you always have it?

8. Briefing your landing for the first time while flying - When do you brief your landing? Before flight? In flight? Both?

9. Planning an alternate (Plan B) too close to your destination - How do you decide what is the right alternate airport for you? Do you have to have an alternate? When would you do it?

10. Not understanding installed technology. - Have you mastered your GPS? What resources did you use? Did you utilize CFI, manual, book or online course?

11. Using tail # to describe your position in non-towered areas. - What is the proper way?

12. Saying too much on the radio. - How much is too much?