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## **SECTION 1**

### **GENERAL**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This Pilot's Operating Handbook is designed as an operating guide for the pilot. It includes material required to be furnished to the pilot by 14 CFR parts 21, 27, and 36. It also contains supplemental data supplied by the helicopter manufacturer.

This handbook is not designed as a substitute for adequate and competent flight instruction or for knowledge of current airworthiness directives, applicable federal aviation regulations, and advisory circulars. Nor is it intended to be a guide for basic flight instruction or a training manual. It should not be used for operational purposes unless kept in a current status.

Assuring that the helicopter is in airworthy condition is the responsibility of the owner. The pilot in command is responsible for determining that the helicopter is safe for flight. The pilot is also responsible for remaining within operating limitations as outlined by instrument markings, placards, and this handbook.

Since it is very difficult to refer to a handbook while flying a helicopter, the pilot should study the entire handbook and become very familiar with limitations, performance, procedures, and operational handling characteristics of the helicopter before flight.

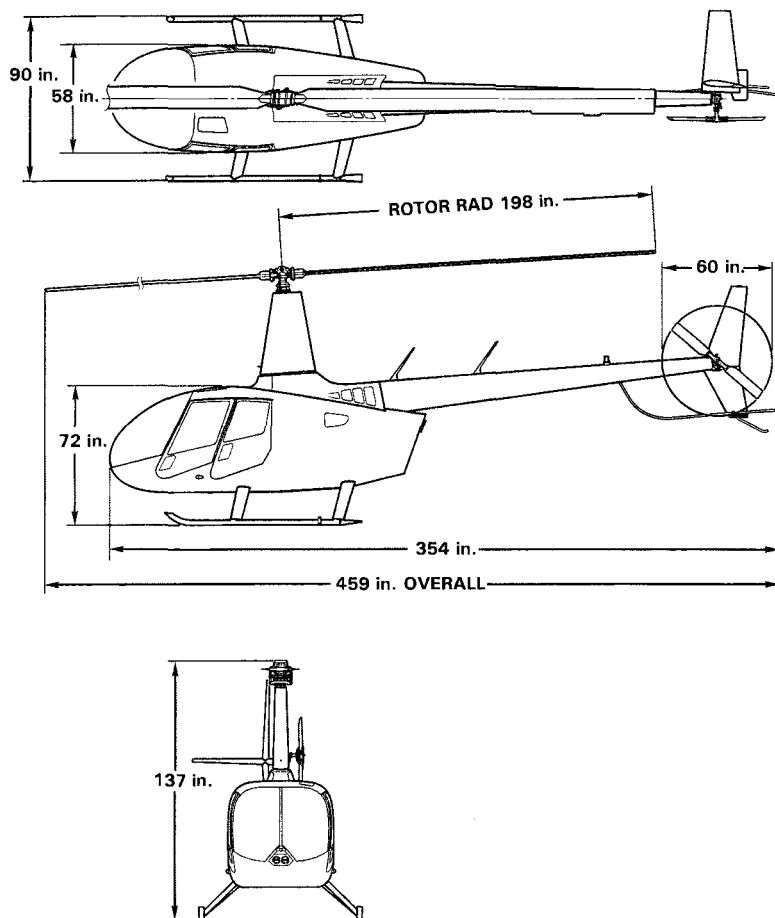
This handbook has been divided into ten numbered sections. Limitations and emergency procedures have been placed ahead of normal procedures, performance, and other sections to provide easier access to that information. Provisions for expansion of the handbook have been made by deliberate omission of certain paragraph numbers, figure numbers, item numbers, and pages noted as being intentionally blank.

## CAUTIONS AND NOTES

Cautions and Notes emphasize important information and are used as follows:

***CAUTION*** Equipment damage, injury, or death can result if procedure or instruction is not followed.

***NOTE*** Provides emphasis or supplementary information.



**THREE VIEW OF R66 HELICOPTER**

**DESCRIPTIVE DATA**

**MAIN ROTOR**

Articulation	Free to teeter and cone, rigid in plane
Number of Blades	2
Diameter	33 feet
Blade Chord	11.5 inches inboard, 12.2 inches outboard
Blade Twist	-4 degrees
Tip Speed at 100% RPM	705 feet per second

**TAIL ROTOR**

Articulation	Free to teeter, rigid in plane
Number of Blades	2
Diameter	60 inches
Blade Chord	5.5 inches (constant)
Blade Twist	0
Tip Speed at 100% RPM	635 feet per second

**DRIVE SYSTEM**

Engine to Drive Line	Sprag type overrunning clutch, spiral-bevel gears with 13:37 speed reducing ratio
Drive Line to Main Rotor	Spiral-bevel gears with 11:57 speed reducing ratio
Drive Line to Tail Rotor	Spiral-bevel gears with 31:27 speed increasing ratio

**DESCRIPTIVE DATA (cont'd)**

**POWERPLANT**

Model: Rolls-Royce 250-C300/A1  
commercial designation RR300  
(FAA type certificate no. E4CE)

Type: Free-turbine turboshaft

Manufacturer's rating: 300 SHP

R66 5 minute takeoff rating: 270 SHP

R66 continuous rating: 224 SHP

**FUEL**

Approved fuel grades and capacity: See Section 2.

**OIL**

Approved oil grades and capacity: See Section 8.

**PERFORMANCE DEFINITIONS**

KLAS	Knots Indicated Airspeed is speed shown on the airspeed indicator.
KCAS	Knots Calibrated Airspeed is speed shown on the airspeed indicator corrected for instrument and position error. (See Section 5 for position error correction.)
KTAS	Knots True Airspeed is airspeed relative to undisturbed air. It is KCAS corrected for pressure altitude and temperature.
$V_{ne}$	Never-Exceed Airspeed.
$V_y$	Speed for best rate of climb.
$V_h$	Stabilized level-flight speed at maximum continuous power.
MSL Altitude	Altitude above mean sea level, indicated by the altimeter (corrected for position and instrument error) when the barometric subscale is set to the atmospheric pressure existing at sea level.
Pressure Altitude	Altitude indicated by the altimeter (corrected for instrument error) when the barometric subscale is set to 29.92 inches of mercury (1013.2 mb).
Density Altitude	Altitude in ISA conditions at which the air would have the same density (it is pressure altitude corrected for OAT).
ISA	International Standard Atmosphere exists when pressure is 29.92 inches of mercury at sea level, temperature is 15°C at sea level, and temperature decreases 1.98 °C per 1000 feet of altitude.
SHP	Shaft Horsepower is actual power delivered by the engine output shaft. (Shown by torque meter as percentage of 270 horsepower when $N_2$ is 100%).



**PERFORMANCE DEFINITIONS (cont'd)**

RPM	Revolutions Per Minute or speed of engine or rotor. Shown on R66 tachometers in percent. 100% engine output shaft ( $N_2$ ) RPM = 6016. 100% gas generator ( $N_1$ ) RPM = 50970. 100% main rotor RPM = 408.
$N_1$	Engine gas generator (compressor) RPM.
$N_2$	Engine output shaft RPM.
MGT	Measured Gas Temperature (in turbine section).
MCP	Maximum Continuous Power (83% torque in the R66).
TOP	Takeoff Power (100% torque, limited to 5 minutes in the R66).
TOGW	Takeoff Gross Weight.
OAT	Outside Air Temperature.
GPH	Gallons Per Hour.
AGL	Above Ground Level.
IGE	In Ground Effect.
OGE	Out of Ground Effect.

**WEIGHT AND BALANCE DEFINITIONS**

Reference Datum	A vertical plane from which horizontal distances are measured for balance purposes. The longitudinal reference datum is 100 inches forward of the main rotor shaft centerline for the R66.
Station	Fore-and-aft location along the helicopter fuselage given in terms of distance in inches from the longitudinal reference datum.
Arm	Horizontal distance from a reference datum to the center of gravity (CG) of an item.
Moment	The weight of an item multiplied by its arm.
Center of Gravity (CG)	Location on the fuselage (usually expressed in inches from the reference datum) at which the helicopter would balance. CG is calculated by dividing total helicopter moment by total helicopter weight.
CG Limits	Extreme CG locations within which the helicopter must be operated at a given weight.
Usable Fuel	Fuel available for flight planning.
Unusable Fuel	Fuel remaining in the tank that cannot reliably provide uninterrupted fuel flow in the critical flight attitude.
Standard Empty Weight	Weight of a standard helicopter including unusable fuel, full operating fluids, and full engine oil.
Basic Empty Weight	Standard empty weight plus weight of installed optional equipment.
Payload	Weight of occupants, cargo, and baggage.
Useful Load	Difference between maximum gross weight and basic empty weight.

**CONVERSION TABLES**

**METRIC TO ENGLISH**

<u>Multiply</u>	<u>By</u>	<u>To Obtain</u>
centimeters (cm)	0.3937	inches (in)
kilograms (kg)	2.2046	pounds (lb)
kilometers (km)	0.5400	nautical miles (nm)
kilometers (km)	0.6214	statute miles (mi)
liters (l)	0.2642	gallons, U.S. (gal)
liters (l)	1.0567	quarts (qt)
meters (m)	3.2808	feet (ft)

**ENGLISH TO METRIC**

<u>Multiply</u>	<u>By</u>	<u>To Obtain</u>
feet (ft)	0.3048	meters (m)
gallons, U.S. (gal)	3.7854	liters (l)
inches (in)	2.5400	centimeters (cm)
inches (in)	25.4000	millimeters (mm)
nautical miles (nm)	1.8520	kilometers (km)
pounds (lb)	0.4536	kilograms (kg)
quarts (qt)	0.9464	liters (l)
statute miles (mi)	1.6093	kilometers (km)

1 nautical mile = 1.1508 statute miles

1 statute mile = 0.8690 nautical mile

**TEMPERATURE**

$$^{\circ}\text{F} = 9/5 (^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32$$

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