

Ground Training Card - Page 4

	Demo/Briefing		Attempts			Passed	
	Date	Initials	1	2	3	Date	Initials
	12. Duty Pilot (See Andy Sanderson)						
NOTE: No minimum age but requires a good understanding of operations and confidence.							
a. Running an efficient launchpoint							
b. Using Delegation							
13. Cable Tow Out vehicles							
NOTE: Full Driving Licence Required. Instruction and sign off by an Adult member.							
a. Taking up Slack & Accelerating							
b. Maintaining correct speed and track.							
c. When to stop for landing aircraft							
d. Slowing Down, removing tension.							
e. Towing Arms Away before driving off							
f. When to return to the winch							
g. Repairing broken towing links							
h. Daily inspection of the tow out vehicle							
i. Refuelling of petrol and deisel vehicles.							
14. Winch Driving							
NOTE: Minimum Age 18 & SOLO.							
a. Daily inspection of the winch							
b. Instruction by a winch instructor							
c. Examination & sign off by winch master							
d. Refuelling of Gas winches							
e. Cable Splicing							
f. Making up of weak links							
15. Grass Cutting							
NOTE: Minimum Age 18. Instruction and sign off by the grass cutting team							
a. Push Along Mowers							
b. Ride on Mowers							
c. Tractor Driven Mowers							

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1. Hangar Unpacking / Packing							
a. Buggies to be Pushed in and out. Not Driven							
b. Appoint a single person to be in charge							
c. Where to Push / Pull / Lift / Press							
d. Canopy handling							
e. Special considerations for TMG							
f. All 4 points of the glider to be manned							
g. Trolly Loading/Unloading							
h. Packing order & Positions							
2. Glider Picketing							
a. Wind & Rain Considerations							
b. Placing Wing Weights							
c. Capony Locked / Tail Dolly Removed							
3. Parachutes & Batteries							
a. Correct handling & storing of parachutes							
b. Parachute checks							
c. Battery charging and battery care							
d. Installing & Uninstalling batteries in gliders							
4. Glider Cleaning							
a. Clearing wheel boxes							
b. Glider washing							
c. Canopy cleaning							
d. Glider polishing							
5. Daily Inspections and "Positives".							
NOTE: Minimum Bronze Badge + Sign off by BGA Rated Instructor To Sign DI Book							
a. Purpose and Importance of DI							
b. Systematic undistracted approach							
c. Follow through on DI							
b. Assist with "Positives"							

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	Date	Initials		1	2	3	Date	Initials
	6. Setting up and Packing Up Launch Cabin							
NOTE: A Full Driving Licence is Required for driving the Landrover								
a. Positioning for different site setups								
b. Orientation for Signalling and Network								
c. Power, Radios, Phone, Laptop & Network								
d. Flying list and Daily Briefing sheet								
e. Weak links								
f. Light and Windsock								
g. End of day Parking, chocking and locking up.								
7. Cable Procedures								
a. Collecting from tow out vehicle								
b. Selecting and checking weak links								
c. Check shock ropes for knots								
d. Check drogue chutes								
e. Glider / cable positioning and alignment.								
f. Cable release checks								
g. Hooking on								
8. Glider Launching								
NOTE: No minimum age but subject to a competency test by a BGA rated Instructor								
a. Vehicles, personnel or aircraft on the track, runway or working in adjacent fields								
b. Dealing with other aircraft in the circuit								
c. All clear above and behind (and in front)								
d. Take up slack								
e. STOP								
f. All out								
g. Watching the launch								

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	Date	Initials		1	2	3	Date	Initials
	9. Glider Recovery Assistance							
a. Nose Position - Functions / purpose								
b. Wing Walking								
c. Considerations for soft runways								
d. Considerations for strong wind								
e. Fitting / removal of dollies and tow out gear.								
10. Buggy Driving								
NOTE: Minimum Age 14. Instruction and Competency test by an Adult member.								
a. DI of buggy, (include getting a PBR radio)								
b. Controls, speed control and steering								
c. Look out and listening								
d. Towing gliders								
e. Use of PBR's inc. correct voice procedures								
f. Return radios to club house and put on charge								
g. Re-fuelling								
NOTE: Minimum age for re-fueling is 17								
11. Log Keeping and Launch Control								
NOTES: Minimum of age of 16 or Solo.								
Competency test and sign off by a BGA rated Instructor								
a. Recording flights, names & membership No								
b. Use of radios incl correct voice procedures								
c. Use of light signals								
d. Stop procedure								
e. Logging Landing Gliders								
f. Use of loudspeaker								
g. Visitor / temporary member forms								
h. Packs for voucher flights								
i. Dealing with vouchers and payments								
You will be controlling the launch and so must not be distracted by other people, your own mobile phone, or using the laptop for applications other than the log.								