Preventing Gipsy Major Engine Failures



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Are you checking your engine?

Ensure routine checks of the engines are carried out by an experienced company/person on this engine type (Gipsy Majors) if you notice:

- the engine to be running rough; or
- low compression when turning the propeller by hand.

This is to reduce the risk of rough running engines and potentially engine failure.

Further guidance is provided in CAP 1700.



Have fun and fly safe!

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Ensure you are using the most appropriate fuel:

- UL91 is the most appropriate fuel to use.
- AVGAS (100LL) can be used.
- Unleaded MOGAS should not be used in Gipsy Major powered aircraft.

The CAA recommends that Gipsy Major engines are inspected by an experienced company/person if you notice:

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- low compression when turning the propeller by hand.

For more information, please see CAP1700.



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