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National Aircraft Appraisers Association (NAAA) Aircraft De-Ice Boots Grading Standards

In order to standardize the grading of aircraft, The National Aircraft Appraisers Association (NAAA) has established the following standards for both its members and the public to use when judging any aircraft. For continuity, NAAA asks that all aircraft owners use these same standards when describing their aircraft.

Historical data from tens of thousands of NAAA appraisals over the past 35 years have shown that, in any category (airframe, paint, and interior), about one-third of all aircraft can be described as rating a “5” (“Average”), with one third rating between “6” and “10” and the other third rating between “1” and “4”.

BE HONEST! Inflating the condition of an aircraft can result in problems with the aircraft qualifying for financing at the resulting inflated purchase price. If the lender requests that an NAAA appraisal be conducted, as over 5,000 banks routinely do, and the appraiser’s computed value differs significantly from the owner’s asking price, the sale could fail.

To convert numerical ratings to phonetic ratings, use this list:

- #10 = Excellent
- #9 = Extra Fine
- #8 = Very Good
- #7 = Good
- #6 = High Average
- #5 = Average
- #4 = Low Average
- #3 = Below Average
- #2 = Bad Condition
- #1=Unserviceable/Salvage Value Only

DE-ICE BOOTS

Excellent: Flawless and in new condition.

Very Good: Condition of de-icing boots are almost flawless. The boots will have no physical evidence of any deterioration and are soft to the touch, and are shiny.

Good: Generally the boots are soft and appear to be in good condition except there may be one or two patches which have been properly applied and are adhering to the surface of the de-icing boot.

Average: Several patches and repairs have been accomplished. The texture of the boot is getting harder and tiny hair-line cracks are beginning to become visible. The boots are functioning properly and are in good airworthy condition.

Poor: Boots look poor and dry rot is evident. Patches are numerous and in general the boots are ready for re-placement, although they are still functional.

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