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FUEL PLANNING STARTS BEFORE THE PREFLIGHT

As temperatures begin to rise (hopefully winter is finally over), we're making a seasonal adjustment to our fueling procedures. To help manage aircraft weight, performance, and fuel expansion during the warmer months, aircraft will generally be fueled to the tabs rather than completely full.

For most of our Cessna 172s, this means you should plan on approximately 40 gallons of usable fuel available at the start of your flight.

What does this mean for you?

- Review fuel requirements during your preflight planning.
- Consider fuel reserves, expected burn rates, winds, and alternate airports.
- If your planned flight requires additional fuel, please coordinate with the office before your reservation whenever possible.
- Don't assume the aircraft will be topped off when you arrive.

This is a great reminder that fuel planning is more than simply checking the tanks during preflight; it's a critical part of every flight's risk management process.

As always, if you have any questions about fuel status or need additional fuel for a longer trip, please let us know. We'd much rather have the conversation before your flight than after you're already headed to the airplane.

Fly smart, plan ahead, and we'll see you on the ramp.

REMINDERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

- **Dont forget to tell us where you are heading!** Any XC flight, please add your destination to the comments in the booking.
- In the event of cancellation, call the office or email us asap. Messages and emails are monitored even after hours.
- Scheduling for 5am flights will begin on June 1st. Watch the schedule for the updated availability.
- Taxiway signage and names will change on July 9th. There is a map in the GBA if you want to check it out and get familiar with it prior to the change.