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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS AFWM WING STRUT UTILITY MOUNT FOR CESSNA 172, 180, 182, AND 206 AIRCRAFT



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1.0 INTRODUCTION AND DESCRIPTION:



Figure 1. View Showing the AFWM-1 Installation on a Cessna 182

The Airfilm Camera Systems Wing Strut Utility Mount (AFWM) fastens to the strut near the wing attach point of the Cessna (Textron Aviation Inc.) models 172, 180, 182, and 206 to provide a means for attaching an external payload of up to 50 lbs with a frontal area of 1.0 ft². Typical payloads could include but are not limited to: cameras, sensors, speakers, and lights. The AFWM Wing Strut Utility Mount can be installed on the upper and lower sections of the left-hand wing strut, and be installed on the upper section only of the right-hand wing strut. The mount can be installed on both wing struts simultaneously, when installed in the approved locations.

A miniature version of the AFWM wing mount (AFWM-172M, AFWM-180M, AFWM-182M, and AFWM-206M) fastens to the wing strut of Cessna Aircraft and provides a mean for attaching an external payload of up to 10 lbs and a frontal area of 0.5 ft². The AFWM Mini Wing Strut Mount can be installed anywhere the larger AFWM Wing Strut Mount can be installed. The Mini Wing Strut Mount can be installed simultaneously on both wing struts or opposite of a AFWM Wing Strut Mount, when installed in the approved locations.

The AFWM Wing Strut Mount and AFWM Mini Strut Mounts are fabricated from 6061-T6 aluminum and attach with a hinged connection to the aircraft wing strut with AN Hex Bolts, AN960 Washers and AN365 Locking Nuts.

After installation, calculate weight and balance for Installed items and check for proper loading of aircraft. Antenna, lights, and additional installed equipment may need to be relocated to provide clearance for the camera mount system.

Note - If camera / sensor installations require additional power or system requirements beyond the placarded OEM auxiliary power outlet, additional certification(s) may be required.

2.0 AFWM WING STRUT UTILITY MOUNT INSTALLATION

- **NOTE:** Installation of the AFWM Wing Strut Utility Mount is approved for the upper and lower portion of the left-hand wing strut along with the upper portion of the right-hand wing strut. **The mount is not to be installed on the lower portion of the right-hand wing strut.**
- 1. Locate area on the wing strut approximately 12-18 inches from the upper or lower end of the wing strut fairing for installation. Clean the area of installation on the wing strut with rubbing alcohol. The approved installation area is shown in the figure below.



Figure 2. Installation Location of the AFWM Wing Mount on the Strut of the Cessna Aircraft

2. Using the supplied rubber shims from the rubber shim kit (AFWM-RBKIT-101, AFWM-RBKIT-102, AFWM-RBKIT-103), shim wing strut mount for best fit. Use the varying thicknesses of rubber supplied in the kit to obtain a proper fit on the wing strut. Dry fit the assembled wing strut mount to ensure mount cannot move when fastened together. Ensure no gaps exist between the mount, rubber shims, and wing strut.

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Figure 3. Installation of the AFWM-RBKIT Rubber Shim Kit onto the Wing Strut

3. *If installing with the DT-1-1 Quick Release Dovetail*, attach the upper portion of the DT-1-1 (P/N DT-1-11) to AFWM-XXX-001 (LH) or AFWM-XXX-002 (RH) Lower Clamp (where 'XXX' depicts applicable model number) with AN4-10A hex bolts, MS21043-4 locking nuts, and AN960-416L washers. Torque hardware to 50-70 in-lbs per FAA AC43.13-1A. Installation of the DT-1-1 can be completed with the wing mount completely assembled.



Figure 4. Exploded view of DT-1-1 Installation onto the AFWM Lower Clamp

4. Open the upper and lower Wing Mount Clamps and fit the AFWM Wing Mount Assembly onto the pre-installed rubber shims. Insert and hand-tighten the 3 AN3-6A hex bolts, AN960-10L washers, and AN365-1032A nuts at the clamping portion of the wing mount. Leave Hand Tight.



Figure 5. Installation of the AFWM Wing Mount Assembly onto the Cessna Aircraft Wing Strut.

- 5. Ensure no interference is present between the wing strut, rubber shims, and the AFWM wing strut mount. Torque the AN3-10A clamping bolts to 20-25 in-lbs per FAA AC43.13-1B. After clamping bolts have been torqued to spec, torque the AN4 hinge bolt to 50-70 in-lbs at the forward portion of the wing mount.
- 6. Revise weight and balance per the following table:

The following tables present the location of the weight/center of gravity of the mount and payload sensor/camera for adjustment of the aircraft weight and center of gravity with the mount installed.

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)
MOUNT	2.5	25.0
Dovetail DT-1-1 (optional)	2.4	25.0
Spacer AFWM-SPCR-003 (optional)	0.5	25.0
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 50 pounds.	25.0

Table 1. AFWM-172 Cessna	172 Wing	Mount Weight	and Balance	Information
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Table 2. AFWM-180 Cessna 180 Wing Mount Weight and Balance Information
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DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT	STATION	
DESCRIPTION	(lbs)	(in)	
MOUNT	2.5	25.0	
Dovetail DT-1-1 (optional)	2.4	25.0	
Spacer AFWM-SPCR-003 (optional)	0.5	25.0	
DAVLOAD	Use Actual Wt	25.0	
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DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)
MOUNT	2.5	25.0

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Dovetail DT-1-1 (optional)	2.4	25.0
Spacer AFWM-SPCR-003 (optional)	0.5	25.0
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 50 pounds.	25.0

Table 4. AFWM-206 Cessna 206 Wing Mount Weight and Balance Information

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)
MOUNT	2.5	26.0
Dovetail DT-1-1 (optional)	2.4	26.0
Spacer AFWM-SPCR-003 (optional)	0.5	26.0
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 50 pounds.	26.0

- 7. Make appropriate logbook entry for installation.
- 8. Return to service.

NOTES:

- a) The payload package for the installation is limited to a maximum allowable frontal area of 1.0 ft² and a Maximum weight of 50 lbs at any mounting location.
- b) When Airfilm Payload Disconnect Devices (DT-1-1) are installed, the payload can be removed and installed by crew. Payload can be direct mounted to the AFWM Wing Strut Mount using approved hardware.
- c) If camera/sensor installations require additional power or system requirements beyond the placarded OEM auxiliary power outlet, additional certification(s) may be required.

AFWM-172, AFWM-180, AFWM-182, and AFWM-206 Wing Strut Mount Removal Instructions:

- 1. Remove any installed payload from the Wing Strut Utility Mount.
- 2. Remove the fasteners (3X AN3-6A Bolts) from the clamping aft facing end of the Wing Strut Mount. Loosen the forward hinge bolt and allow the mount to rotate open and be removed from the Cessna Wing Strut.
- 3. Remove the rubber shim material from the Cessna Wing Strut Mount.
- 4. Update the aircraft weight and balance.

3.0 AFWM MINI WING STRUT UTILITY MOUNT INSTALLATION

NOTE: Installation of the AFWM Mini Wing Strut Utility Mount is approved for the upper and lower portion of the left-hand wing strut along with the upper portion of the right-hand wing strut. **The mount is not to be installed on the lower portion of the right-hand wing strut.**

1. Locate area on the wing strut approximately 12-18 inches from the upper or lower end of the wing strut fairing for installation. Clean the area of installation on the wing strut with rubbing alcohol. The approved installation area is shown in the figure below.



Figure 6. Installation Location of the AFWM Mini Wing Strut Mount on the Strut of the Cessna Aircraft

2. Using the supplied rubber shims from the rubber shim kit (AFWM-RBKIT-107, AFWM-RBKIT-108, AFWM-RBKIT-109), shim wing strut mount for best fit. Use the varying thicknesses of rubber supplied in the kit to obtain a proper fit on the wing strut. Dry fit the assembled wing strut mount to ensure mount cannot move when fastened together. Ensure no gaps exist between the mount, rubber shims, and wing strut.



Figure 7. Installation of the AFWM-RBKIT Rubber Shim Kit onto the Wing Strut

3. Fit the AFWM Mini Wing Strut Mount onto the aircraft strut where the rubber shims are installed. Insert and hand-tighten the 4X AN3-6A hex bolts, 8X AN960-10L washers, and 4X AN365-1032A nuts at the forward and aft clamping portions of the wing mount. Leave Hand Tight.

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Figure 8. Installation of the AFWM Mini Wing Strut Mount onto the Cessna Wing Strut



Figure 9. AFWM Mini Wing Strut Mount installed onto the Cessna Wing Strut

- 4. Ensure no interference is present between the wing strut, rubber shims, and the AFWM Mini Wing Strut Mount. Torque the AN3-6A clamping bolts to 20-25 in-lbs per FAA AC43.13-1B. Ensure the four clamping bolts are torqued evenly to ensure even clamping pressure on the Cessna Wing Strut.
- 5. Revise weight and balance per the following table:

The following tables present the location of the weight/center of gravity of the mount and payload sensor/camera for adjustment of the aircraft weight and center of gravity with the mount installed.

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Table 5. AFWM-172M Cessna 172 Mini Win	g Mount Weight and Balance Information
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DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)
MOUNT	1.5	25.0
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 10 pounds.	25.0

Table 6. AFWM-180M Cessna 180 Mini Wing Mount Weight and Balance Information

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)
MOUNT	1.5	25.0
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 10 pounds.	25.0

Table 7. AFWM-182M Cessna 182 Mini Wing Mount Weight and Balance Information

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)		
MOUNT	1.5	25.0		
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 10 pounds.	25.0		
Table 8. AFWM-206M Cessna 206 Mini Wing Mount Weight and Balance Information				
DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (lbs)	STATION (in)		
MOUNT	1.5	26.0		
PAYLOAD	Use Actual Wt MAX 10 pounds.	26.0		

- 6. Make appropriate logbook entry for installation.
- 7. Return to service.

NOTES:

- a) The payload package for the installation is limited to a maximum allowable frontal area of 0.5 ft² and a weight of 10 lbs at any mounting location.
- b) If camera/sensor installations require additional power or system requirements beyond the placarded OEM auxiliary power outlet, additional certification(s) may be required.

AFWM-172M, AFWM-180M, AFWM-182M, and AFWM-206M Mini Wing Strut Mount Removal Instructions:

- 1. Remove any installed payload from the Mini Wing Strut Utility Mount.
- 2. Remove the fasteners (4X AN3-6A Bolts) from the forward and aft clamping portions the Mini Wing Strut Mount. Support the two halves of the Wing Strut Clamp and allow the mount to be removed from the Cessna Wing Strut.

- 3. Remove the rubber shim material from the Cessna Wing Strut Mount.
- 4. Update the aircraft weight and balance.

4.0 AFWM-SPCR Payload Spacer Installation Instructions (Optional)

Spacer blocks can be added between the base of the mount and the payload to provide additional clearance from the strut. Refer to the following instructions for installation of the optional spacer configurations.

AFWM-SPCR-001 0.5 Inch Spacer Installation Instructions:



Figure 10. Exploded view of AFWM-SPCR-1 Assembly with Reference DT-1-1 Quick Disconnect

- 1. With the AFWM Wing Strut Mount Removed from the aircraft, install the AFWM-SPCR-003 0.5 inch spacer onto the bottom face of the AFWM Wing Strut Mount Lower Clamp using 5X AN4 hex bolts, 10X AN960-416 Washers, and 5X MS21043 Locking Nuts. The grip length of the AN4 bolts are to be determined on installation of the spacer and payload depending on the payload configuration used.
- 2. Ensure proper thread engagement is present between the nut and bolt. Refer to document AC43.13-1B for standard practices when determining fastener length. Torque fasteners to 50-70 in-lbs on the nut side of the fastener connection per AC43.13-1B.
- 3. Refer to Figure 10 for spacer and fastener stack-up. DT-1-1 quick disconnect device shown for reference.

AFWM-SPCR-003 1.5 Inch Spacer Installation Instructions:



Figure 11. Exploded view of AFWM-SPCR-3 Assembly with Reference Payload Location

- With the AFWM Wing Strut Mount Removed from the aircraft, install three (3X) AFWM-SPCR-003 0.5 inch spacers onto the bottom face of the AFWM Wing Strut Mount Lower Clamp using 5X AN4 hex bolts, 10X AN960-416 Washers, and 5X MS21043 Locking Nuts. The grip length of the AN4 bolts are to be determined on installation of the spacer and payload depending on the payload configuration used.
- 2. Ensure proper thread engagement is present between the nut and bolt. Refer to document AC43.13-1B for standard practices when determining fastener length. Torque fasteners to 50-70 in-lbs on the nut side of the fastener connection per AC43.13-1B.
- 3. Refer to Figure 11 for spacer and fastener stack-up. The location of the payload is shown for reference and is to be installed under the AFWM-SPCR-3 Spacers.

AFWM-SPCR-005 Lower Dovetail Installation Instructions:



Figure 12. Exploded view of AFWM-SPCR-3 Assembly with Reference Payload Location

- With the DT-1-1 Lower Dovetail removed from the AFWM Wing Strut Mount, install the AFWM-SPCR-001 0.5 inch spacer onto the bottom face of the DT-1-1 Lower Dovetail using 4X AN4 hex bolts, 8X AN960-416 Washers, and 4X MS21043 Locking Nuts. The grip length of the AN4 bolts are to be determined on installation of the spacer and payload depending on the payload configuration used.
- 2. Ensure proper thread engagement is present between the nut and bolt. Refer to document AC43.13-1B for standard practices when determining fastener length. Torque fasteners to 50-70 in-lbs on the nut side of the fastener connection per AC43.13-1B.
- 3. Refer to Figure 11 for spacer and fastener stack-up. The location of the payload is assumed to be placed underneath the AFWM-SPCR-5 Lower Dovetail Spacer.

APPENDIX A – METHOD OF ADDING ADDITIONAL SENSOR /CAMERA / PAYLOADS

Overview

This Appendix provides the requirements necessary to qualify sensor / camera / light payloads – IF NEEDED.

It may also be used as a check list for previously approved sensor /cameras / light payloads if desired.

The STC flight testing was conducted and the STC approved with the largest and heaviest payload expected for use with this mount. The specific sensor/cameras/light not listed in the installation manual of equal or lesser than the limit case are accepted with this follow-on test plan.

Sensor/ Camera/ payload

Make & Model _____

Test Team Pilot(s)

Print Name

Mechanic and/or Engineer and/or Camera Operator

Print Name

1. Test Aircraft Configuration and Location

Aircraft Model, Registration & Serial Number

Model

Registration Number

Serial Number

Test Configurations

Empty weight with appropriate fuel and camera system installed Takeoff Gross weight with crew

Configuration	Gross Weight	Longitudinal CG	Lateral CG
Empty Wt			
Takeoff Wt			

1.1. Test Location

Airport or Test Site

2. Test Conditions

Date: ______
Weather: Ceiling ______ Visibility ______ Winds _____

Altimeter _____ Field Elevation _____

Flight Time: Engine Start _____ Shut Down _____ Flt Time _____

3. Flight Test

3.1. Overview

The testing required for the compliance findings of this installation will be made by as a subject/qualitative evaluation. Although the most critical CG is at the aft limit for most tests this configuration is mounted forward of the mast should not approach the aft limits. This also depends on crew loading. The test team conducts the following tests and evaluations and mark initial the box at the end of each section if the configuration successfully passes the requirements.

3.2. FAR § 27.51 Takeoff

The weight at which the takeoff roll of the modified aircraft, in the highest drag configuration, is equal to or less than that of the unmodified airplane will be determined using the Segment Technique per AC 23-8C, Section 2 para 4.b.(2). Tests will be conducted on the unmodified and modified aircraft. The takeoff run to rotation at a speed of V_x plus 4 knots will be marked by ground observers.

3.2.1. Test Procedure:

Hold brakes. Run up engine to takeoff power. Release brakes. Accelerate to V_X plus 4 knots and rotate. Record: 1) pressure altitude; 2) takeoff weight; 3) runway slope. 4) headwind; 6) outside air temperature; 7) distance from brake release to rotation.

Data Reduction:

The test results of the unmodified aircraft will be corrected for weight but will be considered acceptable without correction for weight if a ± 0.5 percent weight tolerance is observed.

The test results will be corrected if the atmospheric conditions during the unmodified and modified tests present a difference in density altitude greater than 500 feet.

The tests will be conducted on the same runway, eliminating the effect of runway gradient.

The effect of headwind will be corrected per AC 23-8C Section 2 para 4.b.(5) should the headwind during unmodified and modified tests differ by more than 3 knots.

A qualitative evaluation of the ability to safely land at any point along the flight path will be made using judgment and experience with the basic aircraft. No engine failure testing at low altitude will be conducted.

The normal takeoff procedures will be used for the sensor/camera/light payload and mount installation.

3.2.2. Findings

Satisfactory _____

3.3. FAR § 23.143 Controllability and Maneuverability

The airplane will be safely controllable and maneuverable during all flight phases including takeoff, climb, level flight, descent, go-around, and landing. It will be possible to make a smooth transition from one flight condition to another without danger of exceeding the limit load factor, under any probable operating condition.

If marginal conditions exist with regard to required pilot strength, the appropriate control forces will be determined by quantitative tests. In no case will the control forces exceed the following:

Temporary (two hands on the yoke)	Pitch 75 lbs	Roll 50 lbs	Yaw	/ 150 lbs	
Temporary (one hand on the yoke)	Pitch 50 lbs	Roll 25 lbs	Yaw	/ 150 lbs	
Prolonged	Pitch 10 lbs	Roll 5	lbs	Yaw 20	lbs

"Temporary" will be defined as the period of time necessary to trim the airplane and change the airspeed and configuration as necessary to relieve the control forces

"Prolonged" will be defined as those control forces that cannot be relieve by changing trim, airspeed or configuration.

Controllability will be deemed "satisfactory" or "unsatisfactory." Unsatisfactory controllability will exist if the test pilot finds it so inadequate that a dangerous condition might easily occur and is unacceptable as a showing of compliance with the regulations.

Maneuverability will be a qualitative judgement and treated in the same manner as controllability.

Tests will be conducted with a test shape mounted on both sides, and also a single test shape mounted outboard on the critical side. The critical side will be determined by the stall characteristics of the unmodified aircraft.

3.3.1. Test Procedure:

In the noted phase of flight and configuration, record: 1) ability to safely control and maneuver airplane. Use the AFM recommended procedures for takeoff, approach and landing.

The aircraft should be easily controllable and adequate control margins should exist throughout the flight test points. The difference between the mount and sensor / camera / light payload and the clean configuration is the evaluation point.

3.3.2. Findings

Satisfactory _____ Cruise Altitude HP _____ Fuel Gage Reading _____

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3.4. FAR § 23.171 Stability: General

The airplane will be longitudinally, directionally, and laterally stable under §§23.173 through 23.177. In addition, the airplane will show suitable stability and control "feel" (static stability) in any condition normally encountered in service if flight tests show it is necessary for safe operation.

Test methods will entail qualitative determinations. The magnitude of the forces will increase with departure from the trim speed up to a speed limit or up to the 40-pound force limit specified in § 23.173. A pull force will be required to fly slower than trim and a push force required to fly faster than trim and the gradient will be clearly perceptible to the pilot. Compliance for this requirement will be evaluated throughout the test program.

3.4.1. Findings

Satisfactory _____

3.5. FAR § 23.251 Vibration

3.5.1. Applicable Regulation

→Each part of the aircraft must be free from excessive vibration under each appropriate speed and power condition.

3.5.2. Method of Compliance

This flight requirement may be both a qualitative and quantitative flight evaluation. The airspeed should be evaluated at 20 kt increments out to the AFM VNE speed. Changes in vibration are best sensed in stick and pedal controls. The stability of the camera/sensor image will be a good indicator.

The pilot will make a subjective evaluation of the difference between the mount and sensor / camera/ light payload and the clean configuration is the evaluation point.

Compliance with this requirement will be evaluated during testing of FAR §23.143 Controllability and Maneuverability.

3.5.3. Findings

Satisfactory _____

3.6. FAR § 23.1301 Function and Installation.

3.6.1. Applicable Regulation

Each item of installed equipment must--

- → (a) Be of a kind and design appropriate to its intended function
 - (b) Be labeled as to its identification, function, or operating limitations, or any applicable combination of these factors;
 - (c) Be installed according to limitations specified for that equipment; and
- \rightarrow (d) Function properly when installed.

3.6.2. Method of Compliance

For optional equipment, the emphasis on functioning is rather limited compared to that for required equipment. The conditions under which the optional equipment is evaluated should be recorded in the report. The major emphasis for this type of equipment should be to ensure it does not interfere with the operation of systems that are required for safe operation of the aircraft, and that the failure modes are acceptable and do not create any hazards.

During flight operations, operate all avionics and electrical systems. Complete the matrix below. The matrix is laid out with the newly installed equipment listed at the top of the page and all aircraft systems listed down the left side of the page. Note any EMI or RFI either TO or FROM the installed equipment. Note any anomalies or EMI/RFI interference to other instruments or indications during all testing phases of flight.

Each item must be checked. Check off each block if no interference is noted. If interference is present during the test, DO NOT CHECK THE BOX and explain in Comments section at end of section. If applicable, note relevant conditions (i.e. frequencies, OBI selection, function modes) under which the interference occurred.

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3.6.3. Findings

Interference?	Camera/Sensor/Light	Position Controller
Camera/Sensor/Light		
Position Controller		
VHF Comm 1		
VHF Comm 2		
VHF Comm 3		
VHF NAV 1		
VHF NAV 2		
ADF 1		
XPONDER 1		
Other Radios		
Audio 1		
Audio 2		
Standby Compass		
Engine Inst		
Fuel Gage		
Clock		
Voltmeter		
Ammeter		
Other		

EMI / RFI Comments:		

Satisfactory _____

Signatures

General test findings _____

Pilot Signature

Mechanic/ Engineer _____

Other Flt Personnel Signature & Function