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Complacency is an ongoing, significant safety threat in aviation. Complacency is a feeling of well-being and/or vulnerability knowing that what you are doing (or checking, or reading, or expecting) will always turn out ok, be correct, or perhaps work out the same way as in the past. Obviously, this is not always the case, and there have been many aircraft accidents (caused both by pilot and maintenance folks) where complacency was a contributing factor. One of the simplest methods to avoid complacency is to try to be actively engaged in your work. For example, if you are a pilot, and you are conducting a pre-flight walkaround, really look at those pitot tubes and static ports. In flight, make sure you verify your FMS/GPS waypoint entries.

For maintenance technicians, don't skip steps because they seem unimportant. There are a lot of maintenance-related aircraft accidents that have occurred simply because the final safety net (a required functional/operational check) was skipped, with complacency being the likely reason for these deviations. Maintenance technicians' explanations for skipping these checks include:

"It takes too long"

"I just don't have the time"

"It's always ok"

"My work is so meticulous there's no need to check it"

"I'll skip it just this one time, what's the harm?"

Those are complacent mindsets and they need to be avoided at all costs!

Always assume something will be wrong or has changed. Be a detective. Dig. Explore.

Question. Search. If you are working alone, without the benefit of an extra set of eyes, and you are responsible for your own work, ALWAYS, ALWAYS double check your work!

You'd be surprised how many things you will catch just by changing your attitude and mindset regarding complacency. Stay focused my friends!