

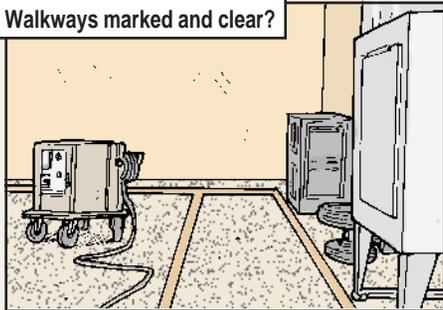
Keep Hangers Clean and Organized

There's never enough time to do everything that needs doing in your hangar. Would you believe that taking a few minutes to answer these questions and take corrective action could save you hours of aggravation? Here are the questions to ask as you walk around your hangar:

Are the aisles clear and walkways marked?

Stumbling and stepping over cowlings and other parts is hazardous to your health. Mark areas for walkways and keep equipment out of them.

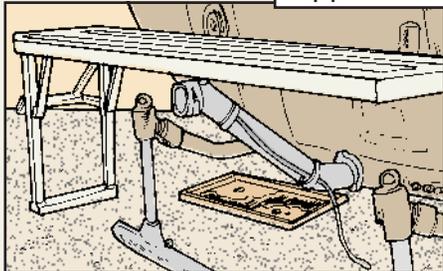
Walkways marked and clear?



Are drip pans in use?

Sure, you always take care of oil spills with sweeping compound as soon as you can, but a pan takes care of the mess before it happens.

Drip pans in use?



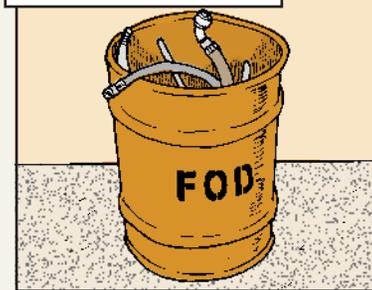
Are oily rags in a self-closing metal can? Is the can emptied daily?

Chemical-soaked rags can cause fires and produce harmful fumes. It's not enough to keep them in a container. A self-closing lid is a must.

Do you have a metal container labeled FOD? Is it easy to get to?

Use an old, topleless oil drum to hold FOD-causing junk. Put the FOD inside the drum. Even if you fill the can with junk, it stays safely inside the drum.

Container for FOD marked?

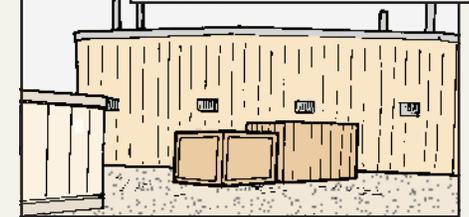


Are weatherproof items outside the hangar?

Not everything needs to be inside. Keep your hangar uncluttered

by using outside space for things that can stay outside, like shipping containers.

Shipping containers kept outside?



Are fire extinguishers handy and ready to use?

Make sure all fire extinguishers are fully charged, and their inspection dates are current. For fire prevention, NSN 4210-00-257-5343 gets a 20-lb fire extinguisher and mounting bracket.

Have you prevented static electricity?

If there's a leak in an aircraft fuel system, a spark can ignite the fumes. To stop sparks, all aircraft must be grounded. If there's a chance of someone tripping over the grounding wire, make it more visible with red tape.

Is your powered ground support equipment parked out of the way?

Paint lines on the floor to reserve parking places for your ground support equipment. Reserve places for jacks, maintenance stands, and ground-handling wheels, too.

How'd you do on the questions? Remember, there's always room for improvement. A clean, well-organized hangar is a safe place to work, and a sign of a first-class maintenance operation.