E. TASK	OPERATION OF SYSTEMS
OBJECTIVE KEY ELEMENTS	To determine that the applicant exhibits commercial pilot knowledge of the elements of operation of systems, as applicable to the balloon used for the practical test, by explaining:
	• Fuel system, burners, pilot lights, and associated gauges
	flight instruments and gauges
	• venting and or deflation systems
	• Avionics/communications systems, as appropriate
SCHEDULE	Discuss objectivesReview materialConclusion
EQUIPMENT	Balloon Flight ManualHand outs
INSTRUCTOR ACTIONS	 Discuss lesson objectives Present lecture Questions Homework
STUDENT ACTIONS	Participate in discussionTake notes
COMPLETION STANDARDS	Participate in discussionTake notes



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FLIGHT

INSTRUMENTS

OPERATION OF SYSTEMS

ALTIMETER

DIGITAL ALTIMETER SETTING

VSI

FUEL PRESSURE GUAGE

FUEL TANK GUAGES

ENVELOPE TEMP. GUAGE

E. TASK

VENTING & DEFLATION SYSTEMS

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Parachute:

The top of the balloon has a large opening covered on the inside by a circular piece of fabric called a parachute which can awith lines all around coming down to a cord going to the basket.

A parachute vent is opened by pulling on the control line. Once the control line is released, the pressure of the remaining hot air pushes the vent fabric back into place. A parachute vent can be opened briefly while in flight to initiate a rapid descent. (Slower descents are initiated by allowing the air in the balloon to cool naturally.)

In the picture to the right, crew members are securing the parachute during balloon inflation.



Turning Vents:

Turning vents allow the balloon to rotate (yaw).

A cord going down the the basket can be pulled to open one side of a flap on the balloon allowing air to escape horizontally tangent to to the balloon causing it to rotate.

AVIONICS/ COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

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