

Narrator: We often think of safety in terms of being in the air and knowing how to "fly" safely. But, the risk of having an accident or incident is actually higher when we're on the ground. Taxiing, take-off and landing require your vigilance to good safety habits. Before you even step foot into your aircraft, there are steps you need to take to prepare for your flight. This includes the basics: knowing ATC phraseology, airport signs, markings and lighting, so that you can navigate safely on the surface. You'll also need to go through your pre-flight routine which should include: Identifying runway length, reviewing airport diagrams, noting likely routes to the runway and checking NOTAMS for closures, taxiway and runway conditions, signs that are out, markings that are faded and areas not visible from the tower. Now that you're prepared, you can start up your aircraft and prepare to taxi.

Pilot: Rogue Ground, November Seven Two Four One Kilo, at the South GA Ramp, ready to taxi with Information Quebec.

Rogue Ground: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, Rogue Ground. Not in sight from the tower, advise holding short of Taxiway Delta.

Pilot: Rogue Ground, November Seven Two Four One Kilo holding short of Delta.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right taxi via Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, taxi to Runway 3-6 Right via Delta.

Pilot: Rogue Tower, November Seven Two Four One Kilo ready for departure Runway 3-6 Right at Delta.

Rogue Tower: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, Rogue Tower, Runway 3-6 Right cleared for takeoff.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo cleared for take-off.

Narrator: Great job! You successfully followed ATC instructions and the taxiway signs and markings and were cleared for takeoff. If you were to make a wrong decision stop and call ATC as soon as you realize you made a mistake. ATC will provide you with instructions to turn around or follow a new route to your destination. Let's see what would have happened if you made an incorrect turn when exiting the ramp.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, hold position, you made a wrong turn.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, holding position. Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, make a 180, Runway 3-6 Right taxi via Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, unable 180 on the taxiway.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, taxi straight ahead, turn right onto GA Ramp. Make a 180 and hold short of taxiway Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo taxi straight ahead, right on GA Ramp. Hold short of Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, holding short of Delta.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right, taxi via Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right, via Delta.

Pilot: Rogue Tower, November Seven Two Four One Kilo ready for departure on Runway 3-6 Right at Delta.

Rogue Tower: November Seven Two Four One Kilo,

Rogue Tower, Runway 3-6 Right cleared for take-off.

Pilot: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right cleared for take-off.

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Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, holding position.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, make a 180, Runway 3-6 Right taxi via Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, unable 180 on the taxiway.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, taxi straight ahead, turn right on the GA Ramp. Make a 180 and hold short of taxiway Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, taxi straight ahead, right on GA Ramp. Hold short of Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, holding short Delta.

Rogue Ground: Cherokee Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right, taxi via Delta.

Pilot: Cherokee Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right, taxi via Delta.

Pilot: Rogue Tower, November Seven Two Four One Kilo ready for departure on Runway 3-6 Right at Delta.

Rogue Tower: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, Rogue Tower, Runway 3-6 Right cleared for takeoff.

Pilot: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, cleared for take-off.

Narrator: If you make a wrong turn stop and call ATC as soon as you realize you've made a mistake. ATC will provide you with instructions to turn around or follow a new route to your destination. Let's see what would have happened if you'd made a correct turn when exiting the ramp.

Pilot: Rogue Tower, November Seven Two Four One Kilo ready to for departure Runway 3-6 Right at Delta.

Rogue Tower: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, Rogue Tower, Runway 3-6 Right cleared for takeoff.

Pilot: November Seven Two Four One Kilo, Runway 3-6 Right cleared for take-off.

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