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Sloane Helicopters Orders an AW109 Trekker



The AW109 Trekker - the latest AW109 variant - achieved EASA certification in December 2017. Sloane Helicopters confirmed an order by signing for an AW109 Trekker at the recent Heli-Expo convention in Las Vegas, with our Chairman David George (left) receiving a scale model Trekker from Emilio Dalmaso, Senior VP of Global Sales at Leonardo Helicopters. The Trekker is based on the successful AW109S Grand model and is equipped with a simplified yet state-of-the-art Genesys Aerosystems glass cockpit and a spacious cabin for up to six passengers. The Trekker's rugged undercarriage, ease-of-use avionics and significantly reduced acquisition cost makes this an ideal aircraft for private owner flying, utility, EMS and charter.

Leonardo Deliveries



At the beginning of the year we delivered the fifth VIP AW169 to a private customer in the UK. Sloane is proud to provide maintenance support to the entire UK Corporate/VIP AW169 helicopter fleet, which is the largest operational AW169 fleet worldwide. This AW169 has a VVIP customised five-seat interior. In January 2018 we were delighted to deliver another VIP AW109SP to a private customer in the UK. As a Leonardo Distributor and Authorised Service Centre for over 22 years, Sloane maintains over 90% of the UK AW109SP GrandNew fleet.

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Pre-owned Leonardo Sales

Last year we successfully sold four pre-owned AW109 helicopters. We are pleased to be able to sell any Leonardo helicopter and remain available to source pre-owned helicopters for customer requirements.



2008 AW109E Power FOR SALE

Excellent condition

Recently completed 2,400-hour
inspection

One owner since new and maintained
throughout by Sloane Helicopters

Immediately available



2015 AW109SP GrandNew

SOLD



2009 AW109S Grand

SOLD



2008 AW109E Power

SOLD



2008 AW109E Power

SOLD

Performance Based Navigation

With PBN soon becoming mandated, it is important to future-proof your aircraft to meet PBN capabilities. Both the AW109SP and AW169 helicopters are equipped, capable and approved to conduct PBN. The avionics and auto-pilot features are optimised for PBN and IFR flying. The early adoption of PBN capability demonstrates that the AW109SP and AW169 are the benchmark VIP helicopters in their class.

Performance Based Navigation (PBN) is becoming industry best-practice and is an imminent EASA requirement. Aviation navigation has traditionally been achieved through ground-based facilities, however the Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) has become increasingly utilised in aviation with many airlines and bizjets using it for several years. In short, PBN is the process of navigating between points using approved PBN routes and instrument approaches utilising on-board satellite-based navigation aids as opposed to traditional ground-based navigation aids.

The benefits of PBN are twofold in terms of enhanced safety, with PBN being pushed by the CAA, and far greater operational efficiency enabling you to use your helicopter to the best of its capability. By August 2018, all pilots who carry out PBN approaches must have been trained, tested and had their licences endorsed with "PBN" by a Type Rating Examiner. By August 2020, all pilots with an Instrument Rating must have been trained, tested and had their licences endorsed. Sloane Helicopters are currently developing training packages to fulfil these requirements.

For further information on Leonardo helicopters or any of the items mentioned above, please contact John Parnell at jparnell@sloanehelicopters.com, on +44 1604 790595 or on his mobile



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