

# DISPERSANT AIRCRAFT CAPABILITY FORM

## PLATFORM LOCKHEED ORION P-3A

Operator: -----  
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P-3A dropping fire retardant  
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### DATA SOURCE LEGEND

1. (Black): Indicates the data are based on documented field trials or is a fixed design value
2. (Blue): Indicates the data are based on limited field observations or operator's stated practice or stated value (little or no documentation)
3. (Red): Indicates the data are based on reasonable calculations or performance of comparable systems

		Unit	U.S. Regulatory Calculation Values	Data Source 1-2-3	Range	Reference(s)
<b>AIRCRAFT PARAMETERS</b>						
1	Swath Width	feet	150	3	100-150	Estimated from L-188 operations
	a. Application (gallons per acre)	gpa	5	3	1-10	Estimated from L-188 operations
	b. Altitude	feet	50	3	50-125	Estimated from L-188 operations
	c. Application Speed	knots	150	3	130-200	Estimated from P3 specifications
	d. Pump Rate (gallons per minute)	gpm	-----	3	50-600	Estimated from ADDS Pack
	e. Boom Pressure (pounds/square inch)	psi	-----	3	15-45	Estimated from ADDS Pack
2	Transit Speed at Altitude From Base to Staging Airport	knots feet	360	2	250-360	Aero Union operator

3	Transit Speed at Altitude Staging Airport to/from spill	knots feet	250	2	250-350	Aero Union operator
4	Dispersant Spraying Reposition Speed	knots	150	3	150-200	Estimated value from standard operations
5*	Time to Fully Load Dispersant Tank	min	27	3	25-60	Estimate based on loading 4,000 g dispersant at 240 gpm +10 min connect, disconnect and setup
6*	Time to Fully Load Fuel Tanks	min	21	3	20-90	Estimate based on loading 2,500 g at 240 gpm + 10 min connect, disconnect and setup
7	Load Dispersant & Fuel simultaneously (Yes/No)	-----	Y	1	Y	Aero Union operator. See Other Comments below 5* & 6*
8	Time to Make U-turn (Turn 180 degrees)	min	1.75	3	1.0-2.0	Estimate based on other operators
9	Dispersant Payload Maximum	gal	4,000	3	3,500- 4,000	Aero Union operator
10	Fuel with maximum dispersant payload	lbs	17,000	1	17,000	Aero Union operator with 33,000 lb payload
11	Approach Distance for spraying	nm	1.0	3	1.0-2.0	Estimated from other large aircraft operators
12	Departure Distance for spraying	nm	1.0	3	1.0-1.5	Estimated from other large aircraft operators
13	Taxi Time Take-Off	min	15	2	10-30	Exercise observation for C-130 operation
14	Taxi Time Landing	min	15	2	10-30	Exercise observation for C-130 operation
15	On-site Check-In/Safety Time	min	10	2	5-15	Exercise observations
<b>CASCADE PARAMETERS*</b>						
16	Take-off with <b>Maximum Payload and Maximum Take-off Weight</b> (assume no wind and <b>VFR</b> fuel reserve)					
	a. Maximum Flight Time	hours	4.0	2	4.0	Aero Union operator
	b. Maximum Flight Range	nm	1,000	2	1,000	Aero Union operator
	c. Optimal Altitude	feet	19,000	3	19,000	Estimated from operating altitude for L188
	d. True Air Speed	knots	250	2	250	Aero Union operator
	e. Fuel Consumption	lbs/ hour	4,250	3	4,000- 5,000	Estimated from fuel consumption for L188
17	Take-Off with <b>Maximum Fuel and No Payload</b> (assume no wind and <b>VFR</b> fuel reserve)					
	a. Maximum Flight Time	hours	12	2	12	Aero Union operator
	b. Maximum Flight Range	nm	2,700	2	2,700	Aero Union operator
	c. Optimal Altitude	feet	19,000	3	19,000	Estimated from operating altitude for L188
	d. True Air Speed	knots	225	2	225	Aero Union operator
	e. Fuel Consumption	lbs/ hour	5,000	3	4,000- 5,000	Estimated from fuel consumption for L188

<b>18</b>	Staging area briefing	min	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>30-60</b>	<b>Exercise observation</b>
	<b>AIRPORT PARAMETERS</b>					
<b>19</b>	Runway length - <b>Minimum</b> (For take-off at maximum gross weight assuming sea level, 90° F, no wind using a balanced field concept, i.e., go, no go speed)	feet	<b>4,000</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>Aero Union operator</b>
<b>20</b>	Runway weight restrictions for maximum aircraft weight	lbs	<b>105,000</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>105,000</b>	<b>Aero Union operator</b>
	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>					
<b>5*- 6*</b>	The time to load dispersants and fuel are stand alone times independent of each other. If item 7 indicates that fuel and dispersants can be loaded simultaneously, then the longer of fuel or dispersant load time is used in the capability calculations. If item 7 indicates fuel and dispersants can NOT be loaded simultaneously, then the times are added together to calculate the aircrafts capability. To load simultaneously depends upon the airport, aircraft, and support crew. The loading times depend upon the loading system i.e., 5000 tank truck, 55 gallon drums or other means and the pumping system used. The time shown in items 5 and 6 is for loading from a tank truck which is standing by ready to commence loading when the aircraft comes to a stop in the loading area, i.e. the fastest loading time possible.					
<b>*</b>	<b>Cascade Parameters:</b> The aircraft's calculated capability when cascading uses the same fuel loading and taxi times for dispersant operations as listed in items 6, 13 and 14.					