

Magnetic and Electrical Field services provided to the Aviation, Aerospace and Maritime Industry

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Magnetic Navigation Ground Support

- Calibration and maintenance of Landing (reference) compasses (service initiated in 1964)
- Magnetic survey of compass swing areas
- Presentation of training courses relating to the execution of aircraft compass swings



Magnetic survey of a compass swing area

Practical training of students attending aircraft compass swing course



Magnetic variation contours of an compass swing area





Aircraft compass swing procedure

Reciprocal bearing compass swing procedure being executed on an ORYX helicopter of the SAAF

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8-Point Reciprocal bearing compass swing procedure using an external magnetic compass as a reference



Handheld Landing or reference compass



Magnetic tests on avionics equipment







Execution of magnetic tests on newly developed avionics equipment according to international standards (RTCA/DO-160G and 3G.100:Part 2: Section 2



Development of magnetic navigation ground support equipment



- Design of Magnetic Test Bench used for verification of standby (emergency) compasses prior to installation
- System won several local and international design awards
- South African Patent



Magnetic test bench with processor and data-acquisition card in PC104 format



Calibration of magnetometers / electronic compasses

Calibration and characterization of magnetometers and electronic compasses:

Navigation sensors on-board Unmanned aircraft

Space qualified scientific and orientation magnetometers for satellites

Underwater magnetic sensors used in degaussing systems

Specialised Helmholtz Coils System has homogeneous area of 0.01% variation in the middle – 25cm diameter





Compensation for platform magnetism



Rotating the platform on a 2D / 3D nonmagnetic test jig



Rotation of a user-defined magnetic field around a stationary platform



Pre-flight calibration routines



In-flight calibration routines



Support SA Navy with Magnetic and Electrical field signature measurement and management

Aims:

Magnetic signatures reduction

Protection against influence-mines

Preventative measures e.g. corrosion



Vessel moving over multi influence range (MIR)

Underwater Multi influence range (MIR) tripod containing magnetic and other sensors





Degaussing / Deperming of a Maritime Vessel





SAN submarine in deperming range



Submarine in dry-dock indicating deperming coils in the longitudinal direction

Flash-D deperming process



Presentation of technical training courses for the SA Navy

Presentation of Magnetic Awareness courses









Presentation of Compass Adjuster courses



Thank you very much for your attention