

You Might Be An Aircraft Mechanic If.....

You've ever slept on the concrete under a wing.

You've ever said "Oh yes sir, its supposed to look like that"

You know what JP4 or 145 octane tastes like.

You've ever used a black grease pencil to fix an overworked tire.

You have a better bench-stock in the pockets of your coveralls than the supply system.

You've ever used a piece of safety wire as a toothpick.

You've ever been told to go get "some prop wash and a yard of flight-line."

You've ever worked a 14 hour shift on a aircraft that isn't flying the next day.

You can sleep anywhere, anytime, but as soon as the engines shut down you are wide-awake.

You've ever stood on wheel chocks to keep your feet dry.

Used dikes to trim fingernails.

Wiped leaks immediately prior to crew show.

Wondered where they keep finding the idiots that keep making up stupid rules.

You've ever had to de-fuel an aircraft an hour after refueling it.

You've used a wheel chock as a hammer.

You know more about your coworkers than your own family.

You ever wished the pilot would say "Great Airplane".

You've ever wondered why it takes a college degree to break an airplane but only a high school diploma to fix one.

You have used a wooden chock as a pillow while sleeping on a push back tug.

You have scuba dived a lavatory tank to remove everything under the sun.

You have had a pilot ask you why the valve stems on all the tires are not the same size.

You have had a steering bypass pin fall out during a blinding snowstorm while in a near red-line turn.....BOOM!!!

You have had a starter hang while performing a manual start on a

RC-130!!!!

You just screwed up something really expensive.....D'OH!!!!

You have seen the "northern lights" inside the cabin while being shocked by a ballast (200v).

You have had fire lick the back of your neck after getting that inop APU FINALLY started (tub removed).

You have told someone that you are an aircraft mechanic only to have them say, "But not on the engines...right?"

You have been blamed by management for looking where you were NOT SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING.

You have wanted to put your foot up a pilot's butt on many occasions.

You have wished that you had chosen a different career!