



## Sky-Tec Announces Newest Sky-Tec Starter Series

**SuperDuty 24V /ec\* Series Starters FAA PMA Approved  
Now Available from Sky-Tec**

**Granbury, Texas July 11, 2008** - Sky-Tec, the world's leading manufacturer of piston aircraft engine starters, announces new twenty-four volt super duty starters.

Sky-Tec's newest starters feature custom engineered 24 volt motors capable of significantly longer duty cycles.

"We designed the new starter series specifically for our customers supporting larger fleets of "workhorse" aircraft such as Piper Navajo Chieftains and Twin Commanders," explains Rich Chiappe, Director of Operations, Sales & Marketing for Sky-Tec. "Cargo operators, flight schools operating 24V aircraft and other "heavy duty" operators with frequent quick-turn hot-starts are going to really appreciate the /ec\* series vastly extended duty cycle."

The new /ec\* (\*abbr. Extended Cranking) series motors are available now on the following 24 Volt Sky-Tec Lycoming starters:

- All 24 Volt LS and PM model Flyweight™ Lycoming Starters
- 24 Volt HT Original High-Torque Lycoming Starters  
and
- 24 Volt NL High-Torque Inline Lycoming Starters

Sky-Tec /ec\* series starters are just as light as their non-/ec\* counterparts. There is no weight penalty for the additional endurance. The only minor trade off is a slightly slower rotation speed.

"The new /ec\* series starters will still crank significantly faster than OEM heavyweight starters and rotate just 25% less fast than our traditional Flyweight™ and High-Torque starters," explains Chiappe. "For this reason, we are emphasizing the /ec\* starters use primarily only on larger 24 volt 540 and 720 powered aircraft. We will continue to recommend the non /ec\* variants for injected four cylinder Lycoming engines and even some 540 aircraft that benefit more from the additional cranking RPM than they would from an increased duty cycle. If a customer's aircraft starts on two or three blades, it doesn't make sense to switch to the /ec\* series starters. They should stick with the standard 24V non /ec\* starter." Chiappe adds. "But for aircraft that require extended cranking cycles to start, the new /ec\* series starters could vastly increase starter reliability over the long haul."

The new starters are shipping to existing Sky-Tec Dealers now. Pricing for the new starters will be offered at the same price as the standard non /ec\* starters for a limited time.

Customers with standard non /ec\* HT or NL starters wishing to convert to the /ec\* series starter may send their starter to Sky-Tec using [http://www.skytecair.com/Obtain\\_RA.htm](http://www.skytecair.com/Obtain_RA.htm) . For a limited time, conversions will be made for the same price as a normal starter overhaul (\$175 for HT series starters and \$200 for NL series starters).



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