

Use Only Authorized Equipment on Lakota



There have been a number of incidents involving ground handling of the Lakota with unauthorized equipment that has resulted in aircraft damage and hefty repair costs. When moving or towing your Lakota, follow and use the approved ground handling equipment and procedures in Chapter 9 of the commercial aircraft maintenance manual (AMM) from Airbus Helicopter, Inc. The AMM identifies the ground handling wheels and the aircraft tow bar as the only two pieces of equipment authorized for moving or towing.

Do not use unauthorized ground handling equipment such as aircraft dollies and helipoters. If you do, your unit assumes all the risk, including financial liability, for damage to the Lakota.

Do Not Use Aircraft Helipoter



Do Not Use Aircraft Dolly



Most Damage is Due to:

- Operator error
- Equipment malfunction
- Inadequate training
- Failure to follow equipment procedures

Leads to Costs that Include:

- Labor and materials
- Personnel injuries
- Investigations
- Damage and repair assessment
- Contracting actions
- Aircraft downtime

You Pay the Damage:



Aircraft Damage is Preventable

Use the approved ground handling equipment listed in the AMM. Each Lakota is fielded with one set of two ground-handling wheels. The tow bars are supplied by the manufacturer with one tow bar for every four aircraft.

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