



Aircraft Paint Stripping – Case Study

Cessna 185, Drake Aviation

Drake Aviation, a long running flight training school with several students and modern planes, needed professional quality aircraft paint stripping done on a Cessna 185.

In March 2008, the client, Bruce Drake, required careful removal of the original factory assembly coatings under his guidance.

Aquamax faced very stubborn primer coats, which made the job more difficult than usual, but quality was never undermined to achieve the desired result. Using the right tools for the job and highly skilled team members, the stripping was done to perfection, leaving the airplane ready to prime and paint.

Our team worked under Bruce Drake's direction, who was satisfied to see a job that would take him 80 hours done in such short time. The advantages of paint stripping using water jetting, over the conventional chemical stripping, were made clear.

Customer Outcomes

- ▼ Outsourced service
- ▼ High quality surface preparation
- ▼ Surface ready for priming

It would have taken me at least 80 hours of work to strip a Cessna 185 on my own. Even then it wouldn't have been ready to prime and paint like this one was.

Bruce Drake
Drake Aviation



Low flow-rate water jetting



Components can be blasted separately