



Daher welcomes a fleet order for four TBM 940 very fast turboprop aircraft from France’s Ministry of Defense

Tarbes, France, February 10, 2021 – The French Ministry of Defense has announced a framework agreement to acquire four Daher TBM 940 very fast turboprop aircraft for use by the country’s flight test centers, along with associated services for the operation of these airplanes.

Delivery of the TBM 940 fleet will begin in the summer of 2021, replacing TBM 700 versions that have been used since 1992 by the Flight Test division of the French Defense Ministry’s DGA (Direction générale de l’armement) procurement agency. The TBM’s duties include flight testing and safety support, as chase airplanes, in liaison flights, and for operations away from the primary test center locations.

The four newly-ordered TBM 940s will be modified by Daher to incorporate equipment that meets a variety of flight test and training needs, with the ability to carry a wide range of payloads under each wing.

"We thank the Ministry of Defense for its confidence with this contract, which will modernize the DGA’s flight test fleet – thereby supporting its development programs for defense systems of the future," commented Daher CEO Didier Kayat. "This is a strong endorsement for our industry and for our teams, helping to mitigate some of the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic that has affected our sector."

The French-built TBM is primarily sold to export customers, with 85% of its deliveries in North America. For the DGA fleet acquisition program, Daher is structuring a supply chain of several dozen French suppliers upstream of its final assembly line, located at the company’s Tarbes industrial site – which employs some 1,500 people.

As the latest model in the TBM family designed and produced by Daher in Tarbes, the TBM 940 is a six-seat, fully configurable aircraft with a pressurized cabin. It has a maximum cruising speed of 330 KTAS and a maximum range of 1,730 NM. This TBM version delivers a significant improvement in performance and a 10% gain in efficiency when compared to the earlier-produced TBM 700s currently used by the French armed forces.

Highly automated, the TBM 940 is equipped with automatic anti-icing protection and an autothrottle system. It also is one of the world's first aircraft to have an automatic emergency landing system (autoland).

About Daher - www.daher.com

Daher is an aircraft manufacturer and an industry and service equipment supplier. Daher asserts its leadership in three main businesses: aircraft manufacturing, aerospace equipment and systems, logistics and supply chain services; and achieved a turnover of 1.2 billion euros in 2019. With the stability provided by its family ownership, Daher has been committed to innovation since its creation in 1863. Today, present in 13 countries, Daher is a leader in Industry 4.0, designing and developing value-added solutions for its industrial partners.

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About the Daher aircraft product line - www.kodiak.aero / www.tbm.aero

Daher manufactures two families of single-engine turboprop airplanes: the Kodiak utility aircraft in Sandpoint, Idaho, USA; and the very fast pressurized TBM in Tarbes, France.

The Kodiak 100 Series II is an unpressurized 10-seat airplane equipped with Garmin's G1000 NXi avionics, capable of operating on uneven and ultra-short runways, or on water in the amphibious version. Its unique combination of robust construction and remarkable 3,530-lb. (1,605 kg.) useful load has resulted in many additional applications for the Kodiak, including special missions, medevac, as a skydiving platform and more.

Current TBM versions in production are the TBM 910, equipped with Garmin's G1000 Nxi avionics system, controlled by a keypad; and the TBM 940, featuring Garmin's G3000 avionics with touchscreen controller, an autothrottle, and HomeSafe™ – the new emergency autoland function. Both models offer increased automation and superior performance – a maximum cruise speed of 330 kts. – and high efficiency with a 1,730-naut. mi. maximum range and a fuel consumption of 37 U.S. gallons per hour at economy cruise.

As of December 31, 2020, a total of 280 Kodiak and 1,018 TBM aircraft had been delivered to international owners and operators, with the global fleet accumulating some two million flight hours.

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TBM**TBM**
940 figures**POWERPLANT**

Type: P&W Canada PT6A-66D turboprop

Thermodynamic power

1825 hp.

Nominal power

850 shp.

Usable fuel capacity

291 U.S. gal. 1,100 liters

INTERNAL DIMENSIONS

Maximum cabin width

3 ft., 11.64 in. 1.21 m.

Maximum cabin length

13 ft., 3.45 in. 4.05 m.

Maximum cabin height

4 ft. 1.22 m.

Maximum volume in cabin

123 cu. ft. 3.5 cu. m.

LOADING

Basic empty weight

4,629 lb. 2,097 kg.

Maximum ramp weight (MRW)

7,430 lb. 3,370 kg.

Maximum takeoff weight

7,394 lb. 3,354 kg.

Maximum zero fuel weight

6,032 lb. 2,736 kg.

Maximum payload

1,403 lb. 636 kg.

Maximum payload with full fuel:

891 lb. 404 kg.

Maximum luggage in storage areas (4 seats)

507 lb. 230 kg.

Maximum luggage in storage areas (6 seats)

330 lb. 150 kg.

Maximum luggage volume (large net):

30¼ cu. ft. 0.989 cu. m.

PERFORMANCE (ISA conditions, MTOW, no wind,)

Maximum cruise speed at long-range settings

252 KTAS 467 km/h

Maximum cruise speed at 28,000 ft.

330 KTAS 611 km/h

Time-to climb to 31,000 ft.

18 min. 45 sec.

Certified ceiling

31,000 ft. 9,449 m.

RUNWAY DISTANCES (ISA conditions, MTOW, no wind, 50 ft. obstacle clearance)

Takeoff

2,380 ft. 726 m.

Landing

2,430 ft. 741 m.

Max. range with max. fuel (ISA, MTOW, no wind, one pilot, 45 min fuel reserve) @ 31,000 ft.

252 KTAS cruise speed

1,730 NM 3,204 km

290 KTAS cruise speed

1,585 NM 2,935 km

326 KTAS cruise speed

1,440 NM 2,666 km

Suggested prices for 2021 delivery

TBM 910 with standard equipment

\$3,990,265

TBM 910 with special "Elite" package

\$4,226,915

TBM 940 with standard equipment

\$4,360,940

TBM 940 with special "Elite" package

\$4,575,004

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