



L-4 “Grasshopper”

Manufacturer: Piper
Designation: L-4
Version:
Name: L-4
Nickname: Grasshopper
Type: Observation



Dimensions

Fuselage Length: 22ft

Wing Span: 35ft 3in

Height: 6ft 8in

Weights

Empty Weight: 730 lb

Max Takeoff Weight: 1,220 lb

Propulsion

Power plant: Continental O-170-3

Horsepower: 65 hp

Performance

Range: 190 miles

Cruise Speed: 75mph

Max. Speed: 85mph

Ceiling: 9,300 ft.

Armament

none

The L-4 is a two seat observation-spotter aircraft . The Piper L-4 was used by the 34th Infantry Division during WW II as an observation and artillery spotter aircraft. It was one that was flown by the 109th Observation Squadron during the Louisiana maneuvers in 1940. It was a very temporary mission. A few months later the 109th pilots were flying submarine patrols on the Atlantic coast in O-47As.