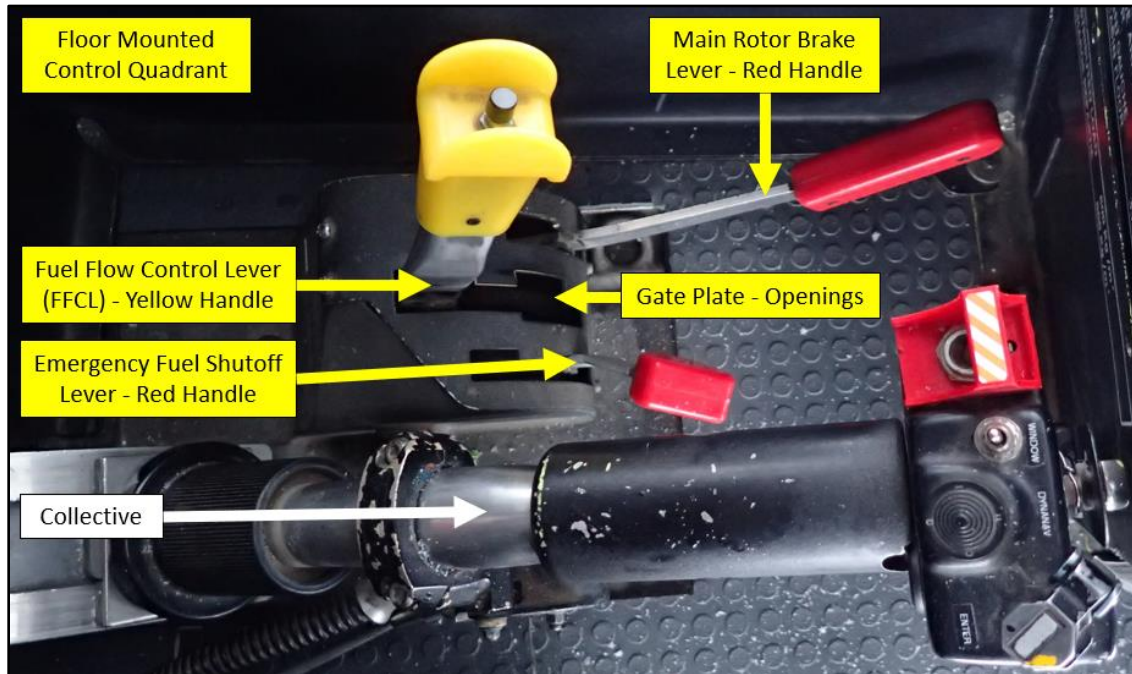


Airbus AS 350 Series Passenger Briefing Supplement: Floor Mounted Control Quadrant

Certain models of the Airbus AS 350 series (known as the “AStar” or “Squirrel”) have a floor mounted control quadrant that the pilot utilizes. This control quadrant consists of the main rotor brake lever, the fuel flow control lever (FFCL), and the emergency fuel shutoff lever. Additionally, some AS 350 models have the main rotor brake lever and the emergency fuel shutoff lever mounted on the floor with the FFCL removed and a twist-grip throttle mounted on the collective instead.



It is crucial that passengers understand that interference with any of these levers, either intentional or unintentional, can result in catastrophic consequences.

Passengers should understand that all body parts and objects must always be kept away from this critical safety area. Ensure all objects are properly secured prior to flight. Always be cognizant of the objects you have onboard the helicopter. Examples of objects that could interfere with these levers include camera straps, backpacks, purses, clothing articles, electronics cords, tools, ski/snowboard equipment, mountaineering equipment, tactical equipment, etc.

Ensure all seat belt assemblies for the front passenger seat are always secured when not in use and not dangling loose to prevent interference.

If a passenger accidentally drops an object anywhere in and around the control quadrant (such as a cellular phone, pen, tool, camera lens, etc.), do not reach for the item. Immediately alert the pilot that an object was dropped in that area. Objects dropped inside the gate plate have the potential of causing jamming with the levers.

Always treat this area as a critical safety area and always follow the instructions from the pilot and the ground crew.