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Logbook History

How to scan old logbooks into Avistrata

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PREPARED FOR
Maintenance staff and admins

Anyone bringing an aircraft's paper or exported history into Avistrata

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At a glance

Upload an aircraft's old logbooks (scanned PDFs, photos of pages, or exports from another system) and Avistrata reads every entry and sorts it into **airframe, engine, propeller, avionics and appliance**. Use that history to fill in **Maintenance Due** and engine time since overhaul, see utilization and what's coming due, and search the aircraft's whole past.

What you can upload

File	Works with	Notes
Scanned PDF	Typed or handwritten logbook pages	Long logbooks are fine: reading continues in the background, about 6 pages at a time
Photo of a page	JPG, PNG or iPhone HEIC	Take them on a phone, or use the Avistrata app (below)
Export	CSV or Excel (.xlsx) from another tracking system	Older .xls files: save as .xlsx or CSV first

Upload a logbook

1. Open **Records** → **Logbook History** and pick the aircraft.
2. Under **Which logbook**, choose Airframe, Engine, Propeller, Avionics or Appliance, or leave it for Avistrata to decide.
3. Drag the files onto the upload box, or click **choose files**. Several at once is fine.
4. Watch the list: each file shows its progress (for example "42 of 120 pages") and how many entries were found and flagged. You can leave the page while it reads.

If a file stops partway, click **Read again**: it carries on from where it stopped. **View file** opens the scan; admins can **Delete** a file together with the entries read from it.

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Check what was read

Entries go straight into the history. Anything hard to read, or without a readable date, is marked **Check**.

1. In the history list, click **Flagged** to see only the entries to check.
2. Click an entry to open it. **See page N** opens the scan at that page.
3. Correct anything that's wrong and click **Save and mark checked**.

Filter by logbook or type, search the text, sort any column, or click **Export CSV** for a spreadsheet of the history.

Fill in Maintenance Due from the history

Fill in from the history lists your Maintenance Due items (annual, 100-hour, pitot-static, transponder, ELT, phase inspections and ADs by number) where the logbook shows a more recent completion than Maintenance Due has. It also suggests engine time since overhaul from the last overhaul entry.

1. Tick the suggestions that are right.
2. Click **Apply selected**. The last-done date and hours are set, next due is recalculated, and a history note records the logbook page it came from.

What the history shows

- **Utilization:** hours flown per month, from total-time readings over the last 3 years
- **Work by system and year:** how much was done on the airframe, engine, propeller, avionics and appliances
- **Coming due:** when hours-based items will come due at that rate
- **Repeat work:** items done more than once in the last 5 years, such as "Vacuum pump, 2 times"

Scan pages with the Avistrata app

1. In the app, open **Logbook** and pick the aircraft.
2. Tap **+** and then **Scan old logbook pages**.
3. Choose which logbook it is, then take the pages in order with **Take a photo**, or pick them with **Choose photos** (up to 100 at a time).
4. Tap **Send**. The pages go in as one PDF, and reading continues even if you close the app. The screen shows how far reading has got.

Good to know

Reading logbooks uses your organization's AI page allowance, the same as Discrepancy Log scanning. Photos are shrunk on the phone before sending, and camera location data is removed.

Questions? Call Avistrata support at **703.520.5040** or visit mrotracker.com.

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