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The toe holes in the seat back are, of course, symmetrical about the seat back's centerline as seen from the back (buttlane 0.0".) Mine are 3.0 " apart and, measured on the front face, the bottoms are 8.0" up from the floor/back intersection. The right hole is 1.5" from the armrest and the left one is 3.0" from the armrest. Fine tune the hole size to accommodate the largest feet you expect to carry. As a point of reference, the height of the bottom of the holes from the rear seat floor is about 4.5", measured vertically.

Basically, mine are big enough to put my size 12s through to the middle of the laces and shaped more or less like the cross section of my foot. With my foot in the hole up to about the ball of the foot, the heel is comfortably resting on the floor. For any big-footed GIB, the pilot might want to put matching holes in the back of the front seat cushion-seriously!

When I made mine, I covered the exposed seatback foam with two plies of BID, being careful to flox the corners-which wasn't easy even though I did this years ago, when I was much younger and more flexible. I may even cover the bottom of the hole with .020" titanium, but not until I'm flying.

Three or four other local (Livermore, CA/LVK) EZs have been modified and the general response is uniformly a big sigh of relief.

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