

Fournier RF-9

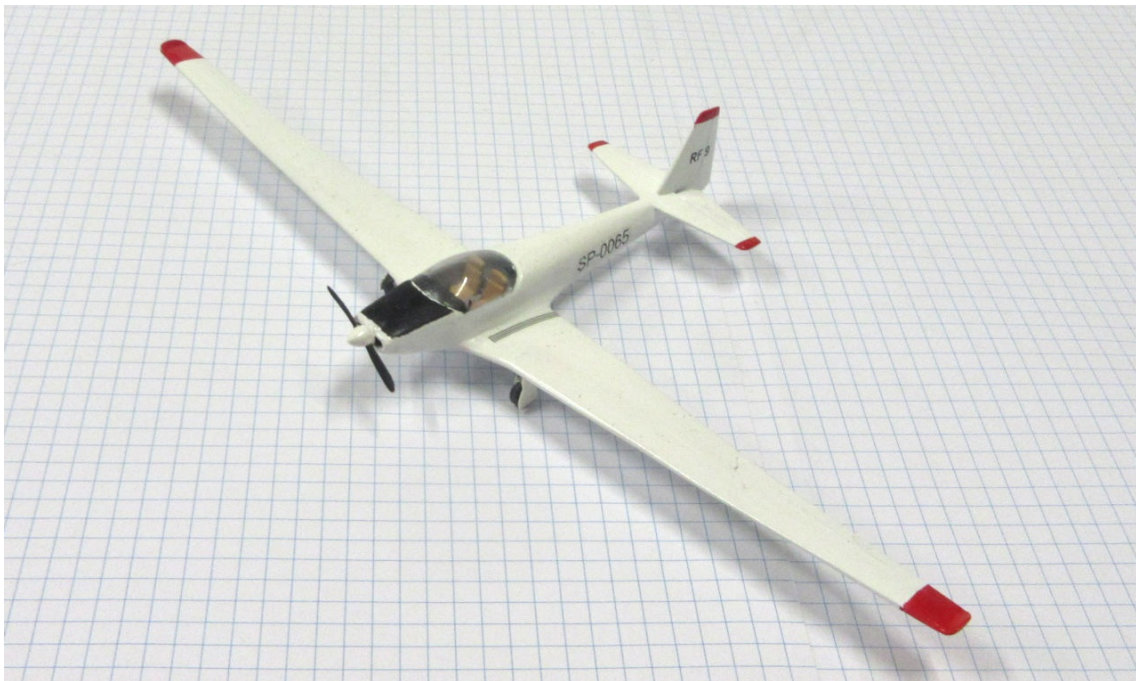
The Fournier RF-9 was a motorglider developed in France in the 1970s. It was basically a glider but had a motor so it could fly as a conventional aeroplane. It was not a successful design and only 14 were manufactured.

The Fournier RF-9 is a motorglider designed in France in the 1970s. It was a development of the earlier RF-5 motorglider intended to compete with other similar powered gliders, and made its first flight in 1977. It was of wooden construction which put it at a disadvantage to contemporary fibreglass motor gliders. In addition the motor lacked power for a safe take-off or fuel capacity for good range. To overcome these problems an improved version was developed which became the Fournier RF-10. With these problems, and the financial difficulties of the Fournier company, only 14 RF-9s were constructed. Due to these problems the design was sold to another company but no further aircraft were produced.

This model represents SP-0065 flying in Poland in 2008.

Data: *Engine* Rotax 912A-3 four cylinder piston engine of 60kW. *Wing span* 17.3m. *Length* 8.06m. *Maximum take-off weight* 750kg. *Maximum speed* 220km/h. *Range* 900km.

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