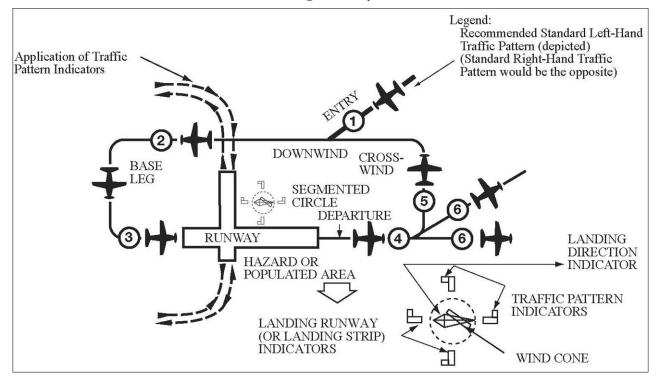
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FIG 4-3-2 Traffic Pattern Operations Single Runway



EXAMPLE – Key to traffic pattern operations

- 1. Enter pattern in level flight, abeam the midpoint of the runway, at pattern altitude.
- 2. Maintain pattern altitude until abeam approach end of the landing runway on downwind leg.
- **3.** Complete turn to final at least 1/4 mile from the runway.
- **4.** Continue straight ahead until beyond departure end of runway.
- **5.** If remaining in the traffic pattern, commence turn to crosswind leg beyond the departure end of the runway within 300 feet of pattern altitude.
- **6.** If departing the traffic pattern, continue straight out, or exit with a 45 degree turn (to the left when in a left-hand traffic pattern; to the right when in a right-hand traffic pattern) beyond the departure end of the runway, after reaching pattern altitude.

4–3–4 Airport Operations