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TYPE AFFECTED: LS-7WL, all serial numbers.

SUBJECT: Extension of service life and amendments to Maintenance Manual.

BACKGROUND: Test have shown that an extension of service life may be increased

to 12,000 hours if each individual sailplane is checked according to

a factory-approved life-extension program.

DOCUMENTATION: Rolladen-Schneider Technical Bulletin No 7015 and the associated

Maintenance Manual amendments form part of this AD.

ACTION REQUIRED: Exchange the Maintenance Manual pages and carry out

manufacturer's life extension program in accordance with

Technical Bulletin No 7015.

WEIGHT AND BALANCE: Not affected.

IMPLEMENTATION: Exchange Maintenance Manual pages on receipt of this AD and

carry out life-extension program before 3,000 hours total time in

service.

COMPLIANCE: The requirements of this GFA Airworthiness Directive are

mandatory. This Directive is issued pursuant to the Rules and

Regulations of the Gliding Federation of Australia.

SIGNED: For and on behalf of:

THE GLIDING FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA

chief technical officer airworthiness

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Subject: Increase of Service Life.

Effectivity: LS 7, Version LS 7-WL, all serial numbers.

Accomplishment: Before reaching 3000 hours service life.

Reason: Results of supplementary serviceability tests at main spar booms for wings proved that service life of GRP-sailplanes maybe increased up to 12000 hours, if airworthiness of each single sailplane is checked according to a special multiple-stage inspection program as included into the Maintenance Manual.

Material and Instructions: Pages as given below should be exchanged in LS7-WL Maintenance Manual:

Pages 0-1, 0-2, 5-1, 5-2 and 5-3 against Rev.1, Edition Nov. 2001.

Accomplishment must be entered into page 14-1 TB-AD-Accomplishment List in Maintenance Manual by inspector

Remarks: This regulation does not affect annual inspections.

Inspections required in chapter "Inspection sequence to increase Service Life" of Maintenance Manual should only be carried out at the manufacturer or at an adequately licensed repair shop.

Results of inspections must be recorded in an inspection report, commenting to each inspection step. If inspections are not carried out at the manufacturer, a copy of the report must be sent to him for analysis.

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Time Between Overhaul (TBO)

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2000 take-offs.

or TOST

Europa G 72 Europa G 88

2. Nose hook

TOST E 75 or E 72:

2000 take-offs.

or TOST E 85

Airworthiness Limitations Section

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Airworthiness Limitations

1. Sailplane structural life limit::

3000 hours total flying time

The life limit may be increased according to

the procedure outlined on page 5-3 stepwise up to

12000 hours total flying time.

2. Safety harness

Autoflug

FAG-7H

lap belt with multiple point buckle

shoulder strap

(Lap belt with bracket 4R11-22a sewn in)

Webbing life limit 12 years from manufacturing date)*

3. Safety harness

Gadringer Bagu 5303

lap belt with multiple point buckle

Schugu 2700

shoulder strap

(Lap belt with bracket 4R11-22a sewn in)

Webbing life limit 12 years from manufacturing date)*

)* See also Maintenance- and Operating Instructions of manufacturers.

Note:

Repair damage prior to next flight.

When in doubt, weather a "small repair" or a "major repair" is necessary, contact the manufacturer.

"Major repairs" must be accomplished in accordance with Rolladen-Schneider repair methods at national authorities-certified repair stations rated for composite aircraft structure work, at FAA Certificated Repair Stations, or by other qualified persons authorised to perform maintenance on composite structures.

Certain "major repairs" may only performed by the manufacturer due to necessary jigs. This has to be checked with the manufacturer for the case in question.

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Inspection Sequence to Increase Service Life

1. General

Results of supplementary serviceability tests at main spar booms for wings proved, that service life of FRP sailplanes may be increased to 12.000 hours if airworthiness of each single sailplane (in addition to annual inspections) is checked according to a special multi-step inspection programme.

2. Schedule

When the sailplane has reached 3000 hours service life an inspection according to the programme mentioned under 3. Must be carried out. If the result of the inspection is positive or found defects repaired properly, the service life of this sailplane will be increased by 3000 hours to 6000 hours (1. Step).

The inspection routine should be repeated when reaching 6000 hours. With a positive result or found defects repaired properly, service life will be increased by another 3000 hours to 9000 hours (2. Step).

The inspection routine should be repeated when reaching 9000 hours. With a positive result or found defects repaired properly, service life will be increased by 1000 hours each to 10000 hours (3. Step), 11000 hours (4. Step) and 12000 hours (5. Step).

- 3. The valid Inspection Programme should be requested from the manufacturer stating serial number and service time.
- 4. Inspections should be carried out at the manufacturer or an adequately licences repair shop.
- Results of inspections must be recorded in an inspection report, commenting to each inspection step. If inspections are not carried out at the manufacturer, a copy of the report must be sent to them for analysis.
- 6. This inspection does not affect annual inspections.

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7003 91-110	Pedal adjustment cable guide	Mar. 91	Inspection of lateral play	X		Before next Flight	
7004 91-172	Deflector at automatic aileron connector	Sep. 91	Inspection, exchange, if bent			Before next flight	N/A
7005	Cockpit modifications	Jan. 92	For S/N 7022 only	X			IVA
7006	Type Certification France	Jan. 92	For Export to France only		-		
7007	Removable wingtips	Jun. 92	Modification	1*	-	Opt.	
7008	Winglets	22.12.92	LS7 modification to LS7-WL	X		Opt.	
7011 99-267/2	Canopy jettison for 40 cm wide instrument panel	08.06.99	Installation of deflector3R7-73	X		Before next flight	
7012	Nose hook	01.06.99	Additional installation	X	-	Opt.	
7013 00-083	Wing air brake levers	14.Sep.99	Check for corrosion and possible jamming	X		Before next flight	
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Find included the following newly released Technical Bulletin:

TB 7015 for LS7-WL (LBA approved, will be published as LBA-AD) Upated TB-AD-List

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