GLIDING FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA.

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE GLIDERS

Ref. No. GFA/AD 206, ROLLADEN SCHNEIDER 17

GLIDER TYPE AFFECTED:

Rolladen Schneider LS 4. Serial Nos. 4000-4004, 4006-4013, 4015-4018, 4020-4028, 4031, 4033-4035, 4037-4040, 4042-4045, 4047, 4048, 4050, 4053, 4061-4063, 4068, 4075, 4077, 4081-4083, 4085, 4086, 4088, 4099, 4106.

BACKGROUND:

Rolladen Schneider Technical Bulletin No. 4005 advises that there have been incidents where divebrakes on IS-4 gliders could not be closed at airspeeds above 125 knots due to the airbrake blade interfering with the head of the drive bolt as a result of manufacturing tolerances.

REQUIRED ACTIONS:

The cut out at the inboard end of the upper dive brake blade is to be enlarged to the profile as shown on the attached drawing.

Further instructions may be obtained from the manufacturer if required.

Enlargement of the cut out may be carried out by the operator and is to be carried out before 1st September, 1981.

COMPLIANCE.

Compliance is mandatory. This directive is issued pursuant to Air Navigation Regulations under delegated authority from the Secretary of the Department of Transport Australia.

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According to the drawing below the contour of the cutout is marked by a lead pencil and is cut out by a metal saw. The cutting edges are smoothed by a file.

Left airbrake blade

