THE GLIDING FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA



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GFA AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

TYPE AFFECTED:

PW-6U Serial no.s 78.02.07 to 78.02.10 and 78.03.01 to 78.03.03

SUBJECT:

Inspection of push rod ends installed in aileron spoiler and elevator

drives.

BACKGROUND:

Instances have occurred where push rod ends of incorrect

dimensional tolerance have been fitted.

DOCUMENTATION:

Polish Civil Aviation Office has issued AD SP-0085-2003A. PZL

Swidnik Mandatory Bulletin BO-78-03-06 is also attached and

forms part of this AD.

ACTION REQUIRED:

As per instructions detailed in the Mandatory Bulletin, measure rod

ends, and replace with factory supplied components if necessary.

WEIGHT AND BALANCE: Nil effect

IMPLEMENTATION:

Before further flight.

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:

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ULC Approval/Certificate: D-06/JA/2000/1

MANDATORY BULLETIN No. BO-78-03-06

NAME-TYPE/MODEL:

PW-6U sailplane

SERIAL NUMBERS:

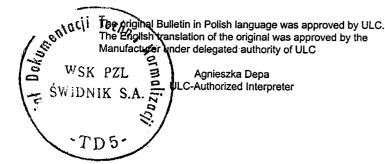
Sailplanes, S/N 78.02.07 to 78.02.10 and 78.03.01 to 78.03.03

SUBJECT:

INSPECTION OF PUSH-ROD ENDS

Compliance:

Immediately after receiving the bulletin





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In relation to a case of exceeding the minimum dimension of the push-rod end S/N 78.21.215.00.00, it is required to make the measurement of all ends installed in the PW-6U sailplane in accordance with the Sketch No. 1 enclosed to this bulletin. The ends are installed in wings in the aileron control system and in the air brakes (altogether 5 pcs per sailplane).

II

This bulletin is intended to advise the PW-6U sailplane operators that if the dimension defined on the sketch is found to be less than 4.2 mm, the flights should be discontinued and the sailplane must be parked until a particular push-rod end is replaced with a new one.

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Performance of work:

The activities related with measurement of ends shall be performed by the sailplane operator. In case the measured parameter is less than the acceptable one, a new end must be ordered. For this purpose, send the following information to "PZL-Świdnik" S.A onto the fax No.(+48 81) 468 09 18: sailplane S/N, location of the end installation and measurement result. This shall be the basis for the free-of-charge ordering of a new end at "PZL-Świdnik" S.A. The sailplane manufacturer shall deliver, at his own expense, the new ends S/N 78.21.215.00.00 and the retaining washers preventing the ends against loosening. The ends shall be replaced with new ones by the operator at his own expense.

IV

Recording the work:

Depending on the scope of performed work, make the appropriate entry in the Sailplane Log Book, Chapter II:

- 1. In case the dimensions of five push-rod ends are correct:
 - "Dimensions of push-rod ends S/N 78.21.215.00.00 are correct"
- In case the dimensions are found to be less than acceptable, after replacing the ends with new ones:

"Push-rod ends S/N 78.21.215.00.00 replaced with new ones. /Specify quantity of new push-rod ends and their installation location/. Dimensions of other push-rod ends are correct."

This entry should be confirmed with the date and stamp.

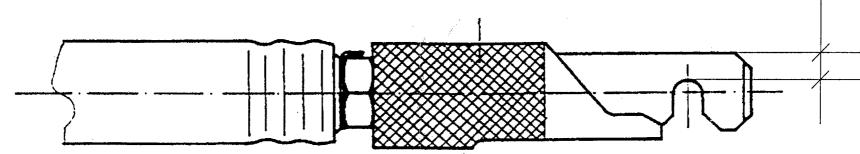
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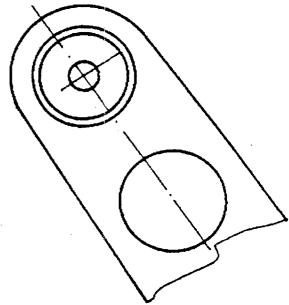
 $A_{Minimum} = 4.2 \text{ mm}$



NOTE:

Inspect push-rod ends in the following sailplane control systems:

- 1. Aileron control system (L/H, R/H)
- 2. Air brake control system (L/H, R/H)
- 3. Elevator control system



Sketch 1: Push-rod end