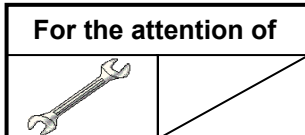


Information Notice

SUBJECT: GENERAL

Reminder on the cleaning procedures for parts and helicopters



AIRCRAFT CONCERNED	Version(s)	
	Civil	Military
EC120	B	
AS350	B, BA, BB, B1, B2, B3, D	L1
AS550		A2, C2, C3, U2
AS355	E, F, F1, F2, N, NP	
AS555		AF, AN, SN, UF, UN, AP
EC130	B4, T2	
SA365 / AS365	C1, C2, C3, N, N1, N2, N3	F, Fs, Fi, K, K2
AS565		MA, MB, SA, SB, UB, MBe
SA366		GA
EC155	B, B1	
SA330	J	Ba, L, Jm, S1, Sm
SA341	G	B, C, D, E, F, H
SA342	J	L, L1, M, M1, Ma
ALOUETTE II	313B, 3130, 318B, 318C, 3180	
ALOUETTE III	316B, 316C, 3160, 319B	
LAMA	315B	
EC225	LP	
EC725		AP
AS332	C, C1, L, L1, L2	B, B1, F1, M, M1
AS532		A2, U2, AC, AL, SC, UE, UL
EC175	B	
EC339		KUH/Surion
BO105	C (C23, CB, CB-4, CB-5), D (DB, DBS, DB-4, DBS-4, DBS-5), S (CS, CBS, CBS-4, CBS-5), LS A-3	CBS-5 KLH, E-4
MBB-BK117	A-1, A-3, A-4, B-1, B-2, C-1, C-2, C-2e, D-2, D-2m, D-3, D-3m	D-2m, D-3m
EC135	T1, T2, T2+, T3, P1, P2, P2+, P3, EC635 T1, EC635 T2+, EC635 T3, EC635 P2+, EC635 P3, T3H, P3H, EC635 T3H, EC635 P3H	

Reason for Revision: With Revision 1 the helicopter models MBB-BK117 D-3/D-3m are added.

Airbus Helicopters has been informed of cases of corrosion on the lower section of the fuselage of some of its helicopters leading to their unscheduled grounding.

Investigations showed that the inappropriate use of a high pressure jet can worsen this type of damage. The inappropriate use of the high pressure jet can lead to the debonding of seals.

The purpose of this Information Notice is thus to remind you that during cleaning operations on the outside of the helicopter fuselages, it is recommended that you use a mixture of fresh water and cleaning agent with a jet that has a maximum pressure of 10 bars, as indicated in Work Card 20-04-01-403 (MTC) "*Cleaning helicopters - Cleaning of parts*", see extract below:

D. Cleaning the outside of aircraft

1. Cleaning the outside of the fuselage and the structures.

- For washing or cleaning, use a mixture of fresh water and cleaning agent.
- For applications with a spray gun, the pressure should not exceed 10 bars.
- Using a spray gun to clean critical parts is not authorized.

- For washing, use only a jet of fresh water under pressure which does not exceed 10 bars.

To proceed:

- connect directly to the fresh water system,
- use a water jet which when sprayed horizontally and to a man's height, does not exceed 15 meters (adjustment using an adjustable diaphragm nozzle).
- Special case of Vert FEIR paint:
only Cleaning agent CM 295 can be used to clean this paint. The contact time between the paint and the cleaning agent must not exceed 15 minutes.
- The products specified in this card correspond to products used at Airbus sites.
- The concentration of the soap must not exceed 10% in volume.

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