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Information Notice

SUBJECT: GENERAL

Service Bulletin [SB(E)ASB] Compliance Categories explanation and standard formulation update



AIRCRAFT	Version(s)	
CONCERNED	Civil	Military
EC120	В	
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	В	
H160	В	
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	



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For a clear understanding of all Service Bulletins [SB / (E)ASB], Airbus Helicopters uses the compliance categories "Optional/Recommended/Essential/Mandatory". On the basis of previous experience, Airbus Helicopters has re-defined the standard formulations for (E)ASB.

From **November 01, 2022**, the following two basic rules apply for ASB:

1. For all protective or corrective measures related to an unsafe condition (Airworthiness Directive), an ASB with **MANDATORY** compliance will be released.

2. For measures that are not related to an unsafe condition (no Airworthiness Directive) but enhance the safety standards, Airbus Helicopters may require implementation measures. In this case, an ASB with **REQUIRED** compliance will be released.

NOTE: In this case, the following sentence will be added in the ASB:

"The safety concern described in this ASB is not expected to be mandated by any Airworthiness Directive. However, Airbus Helicopters requires the compliance with this ASB."

The following table compares the previous and the new standard formulations:

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The term "MANDATORY" is used for (E)ASB and SB.	The term "MANDATORY" will be used for an (E)ASB that includes protective or corrective measures related to an Airworthiness Directive (AD) - see basic rule No. 1 above.
The term "ESSENTIAL" is used for ASB and SB.	The term "REQUIRED" will be used for an ASB that enhances the safety standards. Such an ASB is not related to any Airworthiness Directive (AD) - see basic rule No. 2 above.

For completeness, the following table summarizes the unchanged categories:

Unchanged Categories

The term **"RECOMMENDED"** is used for product improvement SB with a significant impact on operations and/or operating/maintenance costs.

The term "OPTIONAL" is used for product improvement or contract SB.

NOTE: In order to emphasize emergency of application, an EASB will be issued if the compliance time is less than or equal to 50 FH or 1 month.