

BUREAU VERITAS

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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"DIRECTION GENERALE DE L'AVIATION CIVILE"

Inspections and/or modifications described below are mandatory. No person may operate a product to which this Airworthiness Directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of this Airworthiness Directive.

Translation of "Consigne de Navigabilité"
Réf. : 79-217-11(B)
In case of any difficulty, reference
should be made to French original issue

AEROSPATIALE HELICOPTERS - AS 350 ALL MODELS (ASTAR AND ECUREUIL)

TAIL ROTOR - INSTALLATION OF WEAR TELL-TALE WASHERS AND
STOP WASHERS FOR LAMINATED BEARINGS ON TAIL ROTORS "SEE-SAW" ASSEMBLY.

Following the discovery in service of several cases of damage to the tail rotor gear box housing or its attachment hardware attributed to excessive unbalance caused by a dissymmetrical deterioration of the flapping hinge laminated bearings the mandatory incorporation of the subject modification has been decided in accordance with AEROSPATIALE SERVICE BULLETIN AS 350 n° 65.13.

This modification shall be incorporated on 15 th January 1980 at the latest.

NOTE : As this modification allows monitoring of the deterioration of the laminated bearings (clearance between stop washers and wear tell-tale washers), a daily inspection has been introduced in the maintenance documentation recommended by the manufacturer (work card n° 05.23.203 of November 1979).

Cf. : AEROSPATIALE SERVICE BULLETIN AS 350 n° 65.13 and subsequent approved revision.

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