

Airworthiness Directive 2001-371/2

Luftfahrt-Bundesamt

Airworthiness Directive Section Hermann-Blenk-Str. 26 38108 Braunschweig Federal Republic of Germany

Aircraft Philipp (formerly Alpla Werke / G. Nitsche)

Effective Date: May 02, 2002

Affected:

Kind of aeronautical product: Powered Sailplane

Manufacturer: Aircraft Philipp, Unterwössen, Germany (formerly Alpla Werke / G. Nitsche)

Type: AVO 68 - v "Samburo"

Models affected: AVO68-R100 Samburo AVO68-R115 Samburo

AVO68-v Samburo

Serial numbers affected: all 808 German Type Certificate No.:

AVO68-R Samburo AVO68-s Samburo

Subject:

Horizontal stabiliser/elevator, cracks have been found in the weight and balance fitting of the elevator

Through mistakes during the production process it could be possible that cracks appear in the weight and balance fitting of the elevator.

Action:

- 1) Perform an inspection; if necessary, exchange parts and
- 2) Exchange of some pages into the maintenance manual

The actions must be done in accordance with the Technical Notes of the manufacturer.

Compliance:

If not already has been done, perform the action:

- 1) before the next flight
- 2) within the next 10 flight hours

Technical publication of the manufacturer

Aircraft Philipp Technical Bulletin No. 808-18 Edition 2 dated January 14, 2002 which becomes herewith part of this AD can be obtained from Messrs.

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Note:

This AD supersedes the AD-No. 2001-371 dated November 30, 2001.

Holders of affected aircraft registered in Germany have to observe the following:

Action to be accomplished by the owner of the aircraft or an approved service station and to be checked and entered in the log book by a licensed inspector.

As a result of the a.m. deficiencies, the airworthiness of the aircraft is affected to such an extent that after the expiry of the a.m. dates the aircraft may be operated only after proper accomplishment of the prescribed actions. In the interest of aviation safety outweighing the interest of the receiver in a postponement of the prescribed actions, the immediate compliance with this AD is to be directed.

An appeal to this notice may be raised within a period of one month following notification. Appeals must be submitted in writing or registered at the Luftfahrt-Bundesamt, Hermann-Blenk-Str. 26, 38108 Braunschweig.

Enquiries regarding this Airworthiness Directive should be referred to Mr. Olaf Schneider, Airworthiness Directive Section at the above address, faxno. 0049 531/2355-720. Please note, that in case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the German issue!