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AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

The following airworthiness directive (AD) may be applicable to an aircraft which our records indicate is registered in your name. ADs are issued pursuant to **Canadian Aviation Regulation (CAR) 593**. Pursuant to **CAR 605.84** and the further details of **CAR Standard 625, Appendix H**, the continuing airworthiness of a Canadian registered aircraft is contingent upon compliance with all applicable ADs. Failure to comply with the requirements of an AD may invalidate the flight authorization of the aircraft. Alternative means of compliance shall be applied for in accordance with **CAR 605.84** and the above-referenced **Standard**.

This AD has been issued by the Continuing Airworthiness Division (AARDG), Aircraft Certification Branch, Transport Canada, Ottawa, telephone 613 952-4357.

Number: CF-2007-15

Subject: Disc Assemblies – Tail rotor driveshaft (Thomas Couplings)

Effective: 17 September 2007

Applicability: Bell Helicopter Textron Canada (BHTC) Model 230 helicopters S/N up to 23038 and Model 430 helicopters S/N up to 49120.

Compliance: As indicated, unless already accomplished.

Background: It has been determined that Disc Assemblies part number (P/N) 36300-1, 37855-1 and C048354-1, manufactured between 1 November 2005 through 30 November 2006, may have discs of improper thickness or discs may have been indexed incorrectly.

Corrective Actions: **A. Verification**

As soon as possible, but not later than 25 hours air time or 30 days from the effective date of this directive, verify Disc Assemblies P/N 36300-1, 37855-1 and C048354-1, those installed on helicopter and those in the inventory, for manufacturing date, proper thickness and indexing, in accordance with instructions provided in applicable Alert Service Bulletins (ASB) listed below or later revisions approved by the Chief, Continuing Airworthiness, Transport Canada.

Helicopter Model	Alert Service Bulletin
230	ASB-230-07-37 dated 28 March 2007
430	ASB-430-07-40 dated 28 March 2007

B. Corrections

1. For Disc Assembly at inventory:

- (a) If manufacturing date is not between 1 November 2005 and 30 November 2006, the Disc Assemblies do not require further action.
- (b) If required, adjust the thickness of Disc Assembly by removing or adding a new disc.
- (c) If required, re-index Disc Assembly as per applicable Maintenance Manual.
- (d) Attach to Disc Assembly a serviceable tag with inscription indicating compliance to applicable ASB.

2. For Disc Assembly installed on aircraft

- (a) Within 10 hours air time, remove Disc Assembly which is not within the required thickness as per table below:

Pursuant to **CAR 202.51** the registered owner of a Canadian aircraft shall, within seven days, notify the Minister in writing of any change of his or her name or address.

To request a change of address, contact the **Civil Aviation Communications Centre (AACR)** at Place de Ville, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N8, or 1-800-305-2059, or www.tc.gc.ca/civilaviation/communications/centre/address.asp



Disc Number	Assembly	Part	Total Thickness	
			Minimum	Maximum
36300-1			0.174 inch (4.42 mm)	0.186 inch (4.75 mm)
37855-1			0.126 inch (3.20 mm)	0.138 inch (3.50 mm)
C048354-1			0.046 inch (1.16 mm)	0.051 inch (1.29 mm)

- (b) Within 300 hours air time or at next scheduled inspection, whichever comes first, remove Disc Assembly which is not properly indexed.
- (c) If Disc Assemblies as per verification above, do not require any further action, or
manufacturing date is not between 1 November 2005 and 30 November 2006, make a log book annotation to this effect.

Authorization: For Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities

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Contact: Mr. Bogdan Gajewski, Continuing Airworthiness, Ottawa, telephone (613) 952-4450, facsimile (613) 996-9178 or e-mail: gajewsb@tc.gc.ca or any Transport Canada Centre