



Notification of a Proposal to cancel an Airworthiness Directive

PAD No.: 25-181-CN

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Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) Cancellation Notice (CN) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 on behalf of the European Union, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 129 of that Regulation.

In accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the cancellation of an EASA Airworthiness Directive (AD), applicable to the aeronautical product(s) identified below.
All interested persons may send their comments, referencing the PAD Number above, to the e-mail address specified in the 'Remarks' section, prior to the consultation date indicated.

Design Approval Holder's Name: **Type/Model designation(s):**

ATR-GIE AVIONS de TRANSPORT RÉGIONAL ATR 42-500 aeroplanes

Effective Date: [TBD – standard: the same as issue date]

TCDS Number(s): EASA.A.084

Foreign AD: Not applicable

Cancellation: This PAD-CN proposes to cancel EASA AD 2019-0262 dated 22 October 2019.

ATA 27 – CANCELLED: Flight Controls – Bonding Braid Screw and Pitch Tab Control Rod – Inspection / Repair

Manufacturer(s):

ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Régional, formerly EADS ATR - Alenia, Aerospatiale Matra ATR - ALENIA, Aerospatiale - Alenia, Aerospatiale – Aeritalia.

Applicability:

ATR 42-500 aeroplanes, manufacturer serial numbers 1216 to 1219 inclusive, 1401, 1402 and 1404.

Definitions:

For the purpose of this AD, the following definitions apply:

The SB: ATR Service Bulletin (SB) ATR42-27-0112.

Reason:

An occurrence was reported of finding interference between bonding braid screw and pitch tab control rod on the ATR final assembly line, which can only occur when the tab is in full-up position. Investigation results revealed that this was due to incorrect installation of the bonding braid.

This condition, if not corrected, could lead to failure of the pitch tab control rod and tab disconnection, possibly resulting in reduced control of the aeroplane.



To address this potential unsafe condition, ATR identified the aeroplanes that could possibly be affected by this incorrect installation, and issued the SB to provide inspection instructions. Consequently, EASA issued AD 2019-0262 to require a one-time inspection of the bonding braid screw installation, and depending on finding, applicable corrective actions.

Since that AD was issued ATR confirmed that the mandated inspections and related corrective actions, as applicable, have been completed across the affected fleet and no further unsafe condition exists that would justify maintaining the AD requirements.

This Notice, therefore, proposes to cancel EASA AD 2019-0262.

Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):

Required as indicated by this AD, unless the action(s) required by this AD have been already accomplished:

None.

Ref. Publications:

ATR Service Bulletin ATR42-27-0112 original issue dated 06 August 2019.

Remarks:

1. This Proposed AD-CN will be closed for consultation on 06 January 2026.
2. Enquiries regarding this PAD-CN should be referred to the EASA Safety Information Section, Certification Directorate. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu.
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