

Explanatory Statement for Absence of AD document

No actual AD document exists for this AD, other than the 'Mandatory' service bulletin that is the subject of the AD.

This was the method employed by the Civil Aviation Authority of the United Kingdom (UK) to mandate inspections and modifications on products, parts and appliances of UK origin until 15 July 2003, when AD G-2003-0001 was issued.

Until that date, each AD was only a reference number in a book, [CAP476](#), listing the mandatory service publications (latest revision, as published before 28 September 2003) for each type design. Each referenced 'Mandatory' service bulletin contains the applicability (Type(s), Model(s) and s/n), the required action(s) and compliance time(s), as agreed and approved by the CAA UK at the time. Each AD (number) with the suffix 'PRE 80' indicates that the relevant service bulletin was issued (and classified Mandatory) before 1980. Those AD numbers were allocated retroactively.

After 15 July 2003, the rule 'latest SB revision is the required document' was no longer valid, therefore using the instructions of a later revision of the 'Mandatory' SB is acceptable, but not required.

Please note that, for reasons of consistency, each CAA UK AD number, allocated before AD G-2003-0001, has received the prefix G- for the EASA website database record. This also identifies the original State of Design (G = Great Britain) of the product(s), part(s) or appliance(s) to which the AD applies.

For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, or a copy of the mandatory SB, please contact your designated Rolls-Royce representative, or download the publication from your Rolls Royce Care account at <https://customers.rolls-royce.com>.

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