

COMMENT RESPONSE DOCUMENT

EASA PAD No. 20-140R1

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Comment # 1

I will make the following comments on PAD 20-140R1 as this will affect our AS332L/L1 fleet.

Intention of ASB AS332-11-00-06 (Modification 0728750) and coming EASA AD based on PAD 20-140R1 is to give a more clearly instruction how to perform jettison of sliding doors, by installing additional labels.

By installing these labels, it will alter the instruction introduced by E-ASB AS332-01-00-89 Revision 1 and EASA AD 2018-0140-E which states, prohibit use of jettison on R/H sliding door (when hoist installed), and introduce covering of the markings/labels (on R/H sliding door) giving instruction how to perform jettisoning of the sliding door.

I will point out that E-ASB AS332-01-00-89 Revision 1 and EASA AD 2018-0140-E, must be consulted and taken into account, before issuing EASA AD based on ASB 332-11-00-06 and PAD 20-140R1.

By performing ASB AS332-11-00-06 the instruction prohibiting use of jettison on R/H sliding door (when hoist installed) will be alter and it will be confusing for the cabin occupants, during an emergency, if some of the jettisoning markings are covered and some are not.

NOTE: EASA AD 2018-0140-E is still valid, thus it is prohibit using the jettison function on the R/H sliding door, when hoist installed.

ASB AS332-11-00-06 / PAD 20-140R1 will affect E-ASB AS332-01-00-89R1 EASA AD 2018-0140-E on six of our AS332L/L1s.

EASA response:

Comment noted: EASA AD 2018-0140-E requires removal of the hoist arm. However, that AD also provides acceptable alternative method(s) to hoist removal for those helicopters for which the carriage of hoist is essential for the purpose of their mission. The service instructions recognised to be these alternative methods are provided in AH AS332 EASB 01.00.89. AH is about to issue Revision 2 of AS332 EASB 01.00.89 adding details for the masking of the labels following accomplishment of ASB AS332-11.00.06.

No changes have been made to the Final AD in response to this comment.

