

COMMENT RESPONSE DOCUMENT

EASA PAD No. 21-058

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Comment # 1

EASA has notified the PAD 21-058, an initial inspection in the 600 FH or 12 month for the group 2 aircraft with more than 600 FH. However, the ASB EC120-05A023 from AIRBUS requests this inspection within 600 FH or 24 months, aligned with 600 FH//24 months inspection. Please, for operational reasons, could you change this exigence of PAD from 12 to 24 months for EC120B helicopters?

1. Extract from ASB EC120-05A023:

Helicopters without emergency flotation gear	Less than 600FH	Comply with paragraph 3. of this ALERT SERVICE BULLETIN before exceeding 1200 FH.	Refer to paragraph 3.D.
	More than 600 FH	Comply with paragraph 3. of this ALERT SERVICE BULLETIN not more than 600 flight hours or 24 months (the first limit you get to is applicable) after you received revision 0 of this ALERT SERVICE BULLETIN (refer to the issue date on the page footer).	

2. Extract from PAD 21-058:



Table 1 – Initial Inspection (see Note 1 of this AD)

Group	Flight Hours (FH) Accumulated	Compliance Time
1	900 FH or less	Before exceeding 1 200 FH
	More than 900 FH	Within 300 FH or 12 months, whichever occurs first after the effective date of this AD
2	600 FH or less	Before exceeding 1 200 FH



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	More than 600 FH	Within 600 FH or 12 months, whichever occurs first after the effective date of this AD
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EASA response:

Comment agreed. The compliance time for Group 2 helicopters that accumulated more than 600 FH has been amended.



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