

## EASA Position regarding ANAC Argentina AD RA 2024-05-01R1

EASA considerations, leading to the decision not to adopt ANAC Argentina AD RA 2024-05-01 (including its Revision 1).

On 18 July 2024, ANAC Argentina issued Airworthiness Directive (AD) RA 2024-05-01, effective on 18 July 2024, applicable to LAVIA SA PA-25, PA-25-235 and PA-25-260 aeroplanes.

This AD was addressing corrosion findings in the front and rear spars and crack findings in the fitting – Drag wire pull (P/N 61212-00) of the front spar of PA-25; PA-25-235; PA-25-260 aeroplanes. Previously, on 11 December 2023, ANAC Argentina issued Airworthiness Directive AD DAE No 2023-12-01, to address similar issues. After that AD was issued, cracks were reported in holes drilled to fix leading edges, which might propagate towards the spar web. Further, cases of non-approved spar alterations accomplished on aircraft in operations have been reported. Consequently, ANAC issued AD RA2024-05-01, later revised, to require dedicated inspections and provide specific instructions. Under the provision of ED Decision 2019/018/ED, and pending further assessment from EASA, that AD was adopted by EASA.

Since that AD was issued, it was determined that the findings addressed by that AD are heavily affected by the aeroplane's kind of operation, particularly agricultural/spray usage; EASA also received several questions and reporting of inspection results and determined that a different inspection regime and limitations have to be implemented.

For this reason, on 18 July 2025 EASA issued AD 2025-0154, later corrected, to require accomplishment of inspections, and to implement limitations on certain aeroplanes addressing the same potential unsafe condition which is addressed by ANAC Argentina AD RA 2024-05-01R1.

For the reasons described above, EASA has decided not to adopt ANAC Argentina AD 2024-05-01 (including its Revision 1) under the previsions of <u>ED Decision 2019/018/ED</u>.

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