



EASA Safety Information Notice

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- Subject:** Brantly International, Inc., Model B-2 Series helicopters, developing cracks at the root area of the main rotor blade, just aft of the main spar.
- Ref. Publication:** FAA Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin (SAIB) SW-07-28, dated April 17, 2007, Corrected version.
- Introduction:** This Safety Information Notice (SIN) refers to FAA SAIB SW-07-24 (attached to this document as pages 2 and 3) and alerts owners and operators of **Brantly International, Inc., Model B-2 Series helicopters** that some of the installed rotor blades have developed cracks at the root area of the blade just aft of the main spar. In some cases, the rotor blade cracks have resulted in a section of the aft portion of the blade to separate from the aircraft resulting in large vibrations and emergency landings. Brantly has informed the FAA of these failures and is in the process of creating service information to address the rotor blade cracks.
- Applicability:** All Brantly International, Inc., Model B-2 Series helicopters.
- Note:** The FAA SAIB only refers to the Model B-2B helicopter.
- Recommendation:** EASA fully endorses the FAA recommendations and expands this to include the Models B-2 and B-2A helicopters which belong to the same type design.
- The original version of this Safety Information Notice referenced only main rotor blades having Part Number (P/N) 248-202. This notice has now been revised to indicate that all P/N main rotor blades may be affected by the described condition. For that reason, EASA recommends that the inspection be expanded to include all other M/R blades as well.
- This Safety Information Notice is for information only. No AD action by NAAs is required.
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