

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.

Until that date, each AD number was identified in CAA Publication, <u>CAP476</u>, Mandatory Aircraft Modifications and Inspections Summary, listing the mandatory service publications (latest revision, as published before 15 July 2003) for each type design. Each AD number with the suffix 'PRE 80' indicates that the relevant service publication was issued (and classified as Mandatory) before 1980. Those AD numbers were allocated retrospectively.

Each 'Mandatory' service publication listed in CAP476 contains the applicability (Type(s), Model(s) and s/n), the required action(s) and compliance time(s), as agreed and approved by the UK CAA at the time.

After 15 July 2003, individual AD documents were issued to mandate a 'Mandatory' SB, sometimes superseding an AD number entry in CAP 476.

Please note that, for reasons of consistency, each CAA UK AD number, allocated before AD G-2003-0001, has received the prefix G- in the EASA Safety Publications Tool 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 a copy of the mandatory SB, please contact: ISP Technical Support, Civil Aviation Authority, Aviation House, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, TN6 1SJ, United Kingdom; Tel: +44 330 022 1500, E-mail: <u>ADUNIT@caa.co.uk</u>.