

## AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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*Inspections and/or modifications described below are mandatory. No person may operate a product to which this Airworthiness Directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of this Airworthiness Directive*

Translation of 'Consigne de Navigabilité'

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In case of any difficulty, reference should  
be made to the French original issue.

### AEROSPATIALE AS 350 helicopters

#### Swashplate

The present Airworthiness Directive applies to AEROSPATIALE AS 350 helicopters all serial numbers of versions B - B1 - B2 - D on which the swasplate is fitted with bearings P/N's :

- VH 36132 (704A33.651.051)
- Y 51BB 10843 S1 M 73 (704A33.651.080)
- INA 36132 A (704A33.651.126).

Subsequent to an accident caused by seizure of the swashplate bearing, the following measures are rendered mandatory on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive :

- 1 - Within the next 10 flying hours (excepting when already carried out) :
  - 1.1. Check for play and hard points, as per instructions in paragraph 5.2.b of M.E.T. work card 62.30.00.601.
  - 1.2. Check swashplate bearing torque as per instructions in paragraph 1.C-c of referenced Service Bulletin.
  - 1.3. Check that the swashplate bearing is correctly installed, as per instructions in paragraph 1.C-d of referenced Service Bulletin.
  - 1.4. Check swashplate bearing lubrication, as per instructions in paragraph 1.C-e of referenced Service Bulletin.
- 2 - After the last flight of the day, comply with the instructions given in paragraph 1.C-g of referenced Service Bulletin.

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- 3 Repeat the application of paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3 of this Airworthiness Directive each time the swashplate bearing is replaced.
- 4 Repeat the application of paragraph 1.4 of this Airworthiness Directive at intervals of no more than 100 hours, as per the instructions given in paragraph 1.C-i of referenced Service Bulletin.
- 5 Embody AS 350 Service Bulletin N° 62-02 during the next type T inspection at the latest.

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