

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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Inspection 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.

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

ATR

ATR 42 aircraft

Main Landing Gear - Pins MAGNAGHI

This Airworthiness Directive applies to ATR 42 aircraft all models, fitted with Magnaghi pins as defined in MESSIER Service Bulletins 631-32-127 and 631-32-128.

In order to prevent the rupture of the pins manufactured by Magnaghi and fitted on these main landing gears, due to quality problems during manufacturing, the following instructions are made mandatory at the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive :

1. Before 30 June 1998, inspect main landing gear leg attachment pins and side brace medium hinge pins in accordance with the instructions of Service Bulletin ATR 42-32-0081.
2. Before accumulation of 15000 landings, or before 8 years whichever occurs first, inspect the swinging lever/barrel pin and the upper and lower shock absorber universal joint pins in accordance with the instructions of Service Bulletin ATR 42-32-0082.

NOTE 1 : For the main landing gears already overhauled at the effective date of the Airworthiness Directive, the number of landings or the number of years to be considered in paragraph 2 are the number of landing or the number of years accumulated since this overhaul.

NOTE 2 : Aircraft MSN 394, 397, 400, 403, 406, 409, 412 as well as aircraft 466 and following are not concerned by this Airworthiness Directive if the concerned pins have not been changed since first delivery of the aircraft.

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Service Bulletin ATR 42-32-082

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