

# 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.*

Translation of 'Consigne de Navigabilité' ref. : 1999-127-057(A) R1  
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## EUROCOPTER

### SA 313/318 helicopters

Limitation of tail rotor blade service life (ATA 05, 64)

#### 1. EFFECTIVITY:

Helicopter models: SE 3130, SE 313B, SA 3180, SA 318B and SA 318C equipped with tail rotor blades  
part number: 3160S34.11.000.00  
serial numbers: 23484, 23485, 23486, 23487, 23488, 23489, 23490, 23491, 23492, 23493.

#### 2. REASONS:

This AD is issued subsequent to the discovery of a non-compliance of blade cuff stems (blade-to-hub attachment) metallurgical structure affecting the service life of the 10 blades listed above.

Revision 1 of this AD covers the conversion of Service Telex No. 01.66 into Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) No. 01.66 with no change to the technical content.

#### 3. MANDATORY ACTIONS AND COMPLIANCE TIME:

The service life of the blades listed above is limited to 400 hours from the effective date of the original Airworthiness Directive.

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