



EASA Safety Information Bulletin

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- Subject:** Notification of Suspected Unauthorised Overhaul / Repair of Fixed-Pitch Propellers and/or Blades
- Ref. Publication:** Hoffmann Propeller Service Bulletin No. [61-00-03 E27A](#), dated 28 June 2013.
- Applicability:** All Hoffmann fixed-pitch propellers.
 These propellers are known to be installed on, but not limited to, powered sailplanes and small aeroplanes, certificated under CS22, CS23, CS-VLA or CS-LSA.
- Description:** Hoffman Propeller has informed EASA about reported occurrences of unauthorized overhaul/repair of fixed-pitch propellers. These propellers are suspected to have been overhauled/repared without authorisation from Hoffmann, and consequently, work may have been carried out without using approved procedures. Such actions could seriously affected the safe operation of the propeller.
- At this time, the safety concern described in this SIB is not considered to be an unsafe condition that would warrant Airworthiness Directive (AD) action under EU [748/2012](#), Part 21.A.3B.
- Recommendation(s):** Owners, operators and maintenance organizations are encouraged to review the records of fixed-pitch propellers and blades to determine whether maintenance or repair has been accomplished by an unauthorized organisation.
- A propeller or blade that is found to have been overhauled or repaired by an unauthorized organisation must be considered unapproved and not eligible for installation on an aeroplane.
- EASA recommends to remove each affected propeller and/or blade from service and under quarantine, until the affected propeller/blade can be restored to an airworthy condition.

This is information only. Recommendations are not mandatory.

Contact(s):

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For instructions on how to restore an affected propeller to an airworthy condition, contact Hoffmann Propeller GmbH & Co. KG, K pferlingstrasse 9, 83022 Rosenheim, Germany, Telephone +49 (0)8031-1878-0, Fax +49 (0)8031-1878-78, E-Mail: info@hoffmann-prop.com
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