


EASA	EMERGENCY AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE
	<p style="text-align: center;">AD No.: 2006 – 0371-E</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Date: 14 December 2006</p>
No person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive unless otherwise agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry.	
Type Approval Holder's Name: Agusta S.p.a.	Type/Model designation(s): AB206A and AB206B Series
TCDS Number : SO/A 140 (ENAC Italy)	
Foreign AD : Transport Canada CF-2006-23 (Bell Helicopter Textron 206A/B Series)	
Supersedure : N/A	
ATA 62	Main Rotor - Main Rotor latch bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 and P/N 206-011-122-3 - Replacement
Manufacturer(s):	Agusta S.p.a.
Applicability:	All Agusta helicopters AB206A and AB206B series, having Main Rotor latch bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 or P/N 206-011-122-3 installed.
Reason:	<p>Following a fatigue re-analysis of the bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 and P/N 206-011-122-3, the Type Certification Holder has decided to assign the same life limit of 1200 flight hours ("Time in Service" (TIS) as defined in the Maintenance Manual), currently reported in the Aircraft Limitation Section for the retention strap pin 206-010-123-1, because the loads and the geometrical characteristics of the bolts are similar to those of the pin.</p> <p>Therefore Agusta issued the Alert Bollettino Tecnico 206-241 to remove bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 and P/N 206-011-122-3 from service and replace them with new bolts P/N 206-011-260-103 having a life limit of 2500 hours.</p>
Effective Date:	18 December 2006
Compliance:	From the effective date of this AD and in accordance with Agusta Alert "Bollettino Tecnico" 206-241, the following measures are rendered mandatory, unless already accomplished, on all AB206A/B helicopters equipped with main rotor hub assemblies P/N 206-011-100-XX up to and including P/N 206-011-100-21, and main rotor hub assemblies P/N 206-010-100- (all dash):

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In case main rotor hub assemblies have accumulated less than 1200 hours time in service (TIS) and bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 and 206-011-122-3 have never been replaced, replace them with new bolts P/N 206-011-260-103 within the threshold of 1200 hours time in service (TIS), but not later than January 25, 2007, whichever occurs first. 2. In case main rotor hub assemblies have accumulated less than 1200 hours time in service (TIS) and bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 and 206-011-122-3 have been replaced, or in case main rotor hub assemblies have accumulated 1200 flight hours or more, replace latch bolts with new bolts P/N 206-011-260-103 within the next 10 hours time in service (TIS), but not later than January 25, 2007, whichever occurs first. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOTE TO ITEM 2.</u></p> <p>In case it can be determined that those bolts P/N 206-010-169-1/-3 and P/N 206-011-122-3 have less than 1200 hours time in service (TIS), they can be replaced with new latch bolts P/N 206-011-260-103 within 1200 hours time in service (TIS), but not later than January 25, 2007, whichever occurs first.</p>
Ref. Publications:	<p>Agusta Alert "Bollettino Tecnico" 206-241 original issue;</p> <p>BHT-206B3-CR&O Component Repair and Overhaul Manual;</p> <p>BHT-206A/B - Maintenance and Overhaul Instructions;</p> <p>BHT-206A/B-SERIES-IPB Illustrated Parts Breakdown.</p>
Remarks:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If requested and appropriately substantiated the responsible EASA manager for the related product has the authority to accept Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs) for this AD. 2. The safety assessment has requested not to implement the full consultation process and an immediate publication and notification. 3. Enquiries regarding this Airworthiness Directive should be referred to the Airworthiness Directive Focal Point – Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu 4. For any questions concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: Agusta S.p.a. Customer Support – Via per Tornavento, 15 21019 Somma Lombardo (VA) – Italy ; Phone + 39 0331 711296; Fax : +39 0331 711180 ; E-mail: custserv@it.agusta.com.