EASA AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE



AD No: 2008-0029

Date: 14 February 2008

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 : Type/Model designation(s):

EADS SOCATA TBM 700 aircraft

TCDS Number: EASA A.010

Foreign AD: Not Applicable

Supersedure: DGAC France F-2004-069 (EASA approval No. 2004-2311) dated 17 May 2004

ATA 25	Equipment/Furnishings - Pilot's Operating Handbook procedure for crew and front passenger seats - Modification	
Manufacturer:	EADS SOCATA	
Applicability:	TBM 700 C2 aircraft models, all serial numbers and models TBM 700 C1 equipped with modification OPT 70 01-029 [Provisions for T700 C2]	
	NOTE: This Airworthiness Directive is intended for Flight Crews	
Reason:	DGAC France Airworthiness Directive F-2004-069 was issued following a case of pilot seat unlocking that occurred during a flight test at the works.	
	Interference between side upholstery panel and seat housing in low and intermediate positions could lead to a defective locking of the seat in its tracks. This could result in an untimely seat unlocking in flight and thus lead to a reduced ability of the pilot to control the aircraft.	
	In order to address this unsafe condition, EADS SOCATA released Service Bulletin BS-70-121 which has been amended by its revision 1 following introduction of the seat adjustment procedure into Revision 5 of the TBM 700 C1 Pilot's Operating Handbook (POH) and into Revision 5 of the POH Supplement 41 for the TBM 700 C2.	
	The present AD which supersedes DGAC France AD F-2004-069, mandates an update of the POH and of its supplement 41 as applicable.	

Effective Date:	28 February 2008
Compliance:	PREVIOUS REQUIREMENT OF THE SUPERSEDED AD
	 From 14 May 2004 (effective date of F-2004-069) and until accomplishment of paragraph 2. of this AD, before next flight and during each seat adjustment, apply the specific seat adjustment procedure in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of EADS SOCATA Alert SB No. SB 70-121original issue.
	New requirements of this AD
	 Within 30 days after the effective date of this AD, Update the Pilot's Operating Handbook (POH) by inserting its Revision 5 into the TBM 700 C1 POH and as appropriate the Revision 5 of the supplement 41 into the Pilot's Operating Handbook (for TBM 700 C2 airplanes).
Ref. Publications:	EADS SOCATA TBM 700 C1 Pilot's Operating Handbook Revision 5
	EADS SOCATA TBM 700 C1 Pilot's Operating Handbook, Supplement 41 Revision 5 (for TBM 700 C2 airplanes)
Remarks:	If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can accept alternative Methods of compliance for this AD.
	This AD was posted on 14 January 2008 as PAD 08-008 for consultation until 28 January 2008. No comments were received during the consultation period.
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