


EASA	NOTIFICATION OF A PROPOSAL TO ISSUE AN AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE
	<p>PAD No.: 10-091</p> <p>Date: 01 September 2010</p> <p>Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.</p>
<p>In accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the issuance of an EASA Airworthiness Directive (AD), applicable to the aeronautical product(s) identified below. All interested persons may send their comments, referencing the PAD Number above, to the e-mail address specified in the 'Remarks' section, prior to the consultation closing date indicated.</p>	
<p>Type Approval Holder's Name :</p> <p>Fokker Services B.V.</p>	<p>Type/Model designation(s) :</p> <p>F27 and F28 aeroplanes</p>
<p>TCDS Number : EASA.A.036 and A.037</p>	
<p>Foreign AD : Not applicable</p>	
<p>Supersedure : None</p>	
ATA 33	Lights – Emergency Lighting Tritium Exit Signs – Inspection / Replacement
Manufacturer(s):	Fokker Aircraft B.V.
Applicability:	<p>F27 Mark 050 and Mark 0502 aeroplanes serial numbers:</p> <p>20104, 20105, 20121 thru 20123, 20130 thru 20135, 20141 thru 20145, 20150, 20156 thru 20176, 20178 thru 20180, 20182 thru 20199, 20202, 20204 thru 20207, 20210, 20211, 20213 thru 20252, 20254 thru 20266, 20270 thru 20279, 20281, 20283 thru 20288, 20296 thru 20303, 20306, 20307, 20312, 20313, 20316, 20317, 20328, 20331, 20333 and 20335.</p> <p>F28 Mark 0070 and Mark 0100 aeroplanes serial numbers:</p> <p>11258, 11340, 11352 thru 11356, 11360, 11368 thru 11370, 11376, 11377, 11385, 11395, 11402, 11403, 11405 thru 11408, 11411 thru 11419, 11425 thru 11428, 11434 thru 11437, 11447 thru 11449, 11457 thru 11459, 11467, 11469, 11478, 11479, 11481, 11482, 11487, 11492 thru 11498, 11501, 11503, 11506, 11507, 11509, 11514, 11521, 11528, 11529, 11532, 11536 thru 11541, 11543, 11545, 11547, 11549, 11551, 11553 thru 11583 and 11585.</p> <p>F28 Mark 0100 aeroplanes, if in a post-Service Bulletin SBF100-52-060 configuration, serial numbers:</p> <p>11244 thru 11257, 11259 thru 11339, 11341 thru 11351, 11357 thru 11367, 11371 thru 11375, 11378 thru 11384, 11386 thru 11394, 11396 thru 11401, 11404, 11409, 11410, 11420 thru 11424, 11429 thru 11433, 11438 thru 11446, 11450 thru 11456, 11460 thru 11466, 11468, 11470 thru 11477, 11480, 11483 thru 11486, 11488 thru 11491, 11499, 11500, 11502, 11504, 11505, 11508, 11510 thru 11513, 11515 thru 11520, 11522, 11523 and 11527.</p>

Reason:	<p>As required by current certification standards, each transport aeroplane has passenger compartment exit signs and emergency lighting strips installed to locate the emergency exits. A number of these strips and signs are not electrically powered, but are self illuminated by means of a hydrogen isotope, known as Tritium. As this isotope decays over time, these signs will lose their brightness.</p> <p>To remain compliant with regulations, Tritium exit signs and lighting strips should be replaced when their brightness has deteriorated below accepted levels. Currently, the Maintenance Review Board Maintenance Planning Document does not include an inspection task for signs and strips containing Tritium.</p> <p>This condition, if not detected and corrected, could result in insufficiently bright exit signs and lighting strips, preventing safe evacuation during an emergency, possibly resulting in injury to occupants.</p> <p>For the reasons described above, this AD requires the inspection of the brightness of all Tritium exit signs and strips and, depending on findings, replacement of insufficiently bright signs and lighting strips.</p> <p>Note: The MRB document will be updated before July 2011 to include an appropriate maintenance task to ensure that the Tritium exit signs and lighting strips meet the minimum brightness requirements.</p>
Effective Date:	[TBD: 14 days after final AD issue date]
Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):	<p>Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:</p> <p>Within 6 months after the effective date of this AD, inspect the Tritium exit signs and emergency lighting strips to determine whether they meet the required brightness and replace any insufficiently bright signs and lighting strips, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Fokker Services Service Bulletin (SB) SBF50-33-038 or SBF100-33-023, as applicable to aeroplane type.</p>
Ref. Publications:	<p>Fokker Services SBF50-33-038 dated 05 July 2010.</p> <p>Fokker Services SBF100-33-023 dated 05 July 2010.</p> <p>The use of later approved revisions of these documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.</p>
Remarks:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This Proposed AD will be closed for consultation on 29 September 2010. 2. Enquiries regarding this PAD should be referred to the Airworthiness Directives, Safety Management & Research Section, Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail ADs@easa.europa.eu. 3. For any question concerning the technical aspects of the requirements in this PAD, please contact: Fokker Services B.V., Technical Services Dept., P.O.Box 231, 2150 AE Nieuw-Vennep, The Netherlands; telephone (31) 252-627-350; facsimile (31) 252-627-211; e-mail: technicalservices.fokkerservices@fokker.com The referenced publication can be downloaded from www.myfokkerfleet.com