

LUFTVÄRDIGHETSDIREKTIV (LVD)

A Motordrivna Luftfartyg American Champion Aircraft Company (ACAC) LVD Nr 2-3099 R1 Upphäver 2-3099

Sektion 2. Utlandstillverkad flygmateriel

TITEL:

Sprickkontroll av främre och bakre vingbalkar

GÄLLER:

ACAC modeller angivna i bifogad kopia av FAA AD 2000-25-02 R1

ÅTGÄRD:

Utför åtgärder angivna i FAA AD 2000-25-02 R1. Upptäckta skador skall anmälas till FAA med bifogad kopia av Service Difficulty/ (M or D) Entry Form, FAA Form 8010-4, se även AFS-600 websidan under punkten (4) i FAA AD 2000-25-02. En kopia skall även tillställas Luftfartsinspektionen,

601 79 Norrköping.

TID FÖR ÅTGÄRD:

Inom tider och intervaller angivna i FAA AD 2000-25-02 R1, räknat från den 30 januari 2001. OBS. Ändring av compliance time från "whichever

occurs later" till "whichever occurs first", vid "initially inspection"

UNDERLAG:

ACAC Service Letter No 406 Revision A daterad 6 maj 1998.

REFERENS:

FAA AD 2000-25-02 R1

BESLUTSDATUM:

20 juni 2001

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2001:82

Åtgärder enligt LVD utgör nödvändig förutsättning för ifrågavarande flygmateriels luftvärdighet. Referens BCL M 1.11.

Anteckning om åtgärd, som vidtagits i enlighet med LVD, skall införas i teknisk journal för berörd flygmateriel med hänvisning till ifrågavarande LVD-nummer. Angivet underlag refererar till senast gällande revision/utgåva. LVD utges i luftfartsverkets författningssamlingar LFS.

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

Aircraft Certification Service Washington, DC

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration

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The following Airworthiness Directive issued by the Federal Aviation Administration in accordance with the provisions of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 39, applies to an aircraft model of which our records indicate you may be the registered owner. Airworthiness Directives affect aviation safety and are regulations which require immediate attention. You are cautioned that no person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of the Airworthiness Directive (reference 14 CFR part 39, subpart 30, 31).

2000-25-02 R1 AMERICAN CHAMPION AIRCRAFT COMPANY (ACAC): Amendment 39-12255; Docket No. 98-CE-121-AD; Revises AD 2000-25-02, Amendment 39-12036; which superseded AD 98-05-04, Amendment 39-10365 (63 FR 10297, March 3, 1998).

- (a) What airplanes are affected by this AD? This AD applies to the following airplane models, all serial numbers, certificated in any category, that are equipped with wood wing spars:
- (1) Group 1 airplanes: ACAC Models 7AC, 7ACA, S7AC, 7BCM (L-16A), 7CCM (L-16B), S7CCM, 7DC, S7DC, 7EC, S7EC, 7FC, 7JC, 11AC, S11AC, 11BC, S11BC, 11CC, and S11CC airplanes that have not been modified to incorporate an engine with greater than 90 horsepower.
- (2) Group 2 airplanes: ACAC Models 7ECA, 7GC, 7GCA, 7GCAA, 7GCB, 7GCBA, 7GCBC, 7HC, 7KC, 7KCAB, 8GCBC, and 8KCAB airplanes; and any of the airplane models referenced in paragraph (a)(1) of this AD that have been modified to incorporate an engine with greater than 90 horsepower.
- (b) Who must comply with this AD? Anyone who wishes to operate any of the above airplanes must comply with this AD.
- (c) What problem does this AD address? The actions specified by this AD are intended to detect and repair or replace damaged wood wing spars. Continued operation with such cracks and damage could progress to an in-flight structural failure of the wing with consequent loss of control of the airplane.
- (d) What actions must be accomplished on all Group 1 airplanes to address this problem? For any Group 1 airplane as referenced in paragraph (a)(1) of this AD, the following must be accomplished to address the problem:

Action	Compliance Time	Procedures
(1) Inspection Requirements:	Initially inspect at the first annual	Accomplish in accordance with the
Inspect (detailed visual) the entire	inspection that occurs 30	instructions in ACAC Service Letter No.
length of the front and rear wood	calendar days or more after July	406, Revision A, dated May 6, 1998. This
wing spars for cracks, compression	13, 2001 (the effective date of	service bulletin specifies as an FAA-
cracks, longitudinal cracks through	this AD revision) or within the	approved inspection option using a high-
the boltholes or nail holes, or loose	next 13 calendar months after	intensity flexible light (e.g., "Bend-A-Light").
or missing rib nails. We will refer to	January 19, 2001 (the effective	A regular flashlight must not be used for this
these conditions as damage	date of AD 2000-25-02),	portion of the inspection. Alternative FAA-
throughout the rest of this section.	whichever occurs first.	approved inspection options are listed in this
		service bulletin.

Action	Compliance Time	Procedures
(2) Additional Inspection Requirements: If, after January 19, 2001 (the effective date of AD 2000- 25-02), any airplane is involved in an accident/incident that involves wing damage (e.g., wing surface deformations such as abrasions, gouges, scratches, or dents, etc.), accomplish the inspection required in paragraph (d)(1) of this AD.	Prior to further flight after each accident/incident that involved wing damage.	Accomplish in accordance with the instructions in ACAC Service Letter No. 406, Revision A, dated May 6, 1998. This service bulletin specifies as an FAA-approved inspection option using a high-intensity flexible light (e.g., "Bend-A-Light"). A regular flashlight must not be used for this portion of the inspection. Alternative FAA-approved inspection options are listed in this service bulletin.
(3) Replacement Requirements: If any damage is found during any inspection required by this AD, repair or replace the wood spar.	Prior to further flight after the inspection where the damage is found.	In accordance with Advisory Circular (AC) 43.13-1B, Acceptable Methods, Techniques, and Practices; or other data that is FAA-approved for wing spar repair or replacement.
(4) Reporting Requirements: If any damage is found during any inspection required by this AD, submit a Malfunction or Defect Report (M or D), FAA Form 8010-4, to the FAA. (i) Include the airplane model and serial number, the extent of the damage (location and type), and the number of total hours time-in-service (TIS) on the damaged wing.	Within 10 days after the inspection where the damage was found or within 10 days after January 19, 2001 (the effective date of AD 2000-25-02), whichever occurs later.	Mail the information to: FAA, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), Attention: Docket No. 98-CE-121-AD, 2300 E. Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018; facsimile: (847) 294-7834. You may also file electronically as discussed in this AD.
(ii) You may submit M or D reports electronically by accessing the FAA AFS-600 web page at http://www.mmac.jccbi.gov/afs/afs600 . Because you will lose access to the report once you electronically submit it, we recommend that you print two copies prior to submitting the report and forward one to the Chicago ACO and keep the other for your records.		
(iii) The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the information collection requirements contained in this regulation under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (14 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). The OMB assigned this approval Control Number 2120-0056.		

(e) What actions must be accomplished on all Group 2 airplanes to address this problem? For any Group 2 airplane as referenced in paragraph (a)(2) of this AD, the following must be accomplished to address the problem:

Action	Compliance Time	Procedures
(1) Inspection Requirements: Inspect (detailed visual) the entire length of the front and rear wood wing spars for cracks, compression cracks, longitudinal cracks through the boltholes or nail holes, or loose or missing rib nails. We will refer to these conditions as damage throughout the rest of this section.	Initially inspect at the first annual inspection that occurs 30 calendar days or more after July 13, 2001 (the effective date of this AD revision) or within the next 13 calendar months after January 19, 2001 (the effective date of AD 2000-25-02), whichever occurs first. Repetitively inspect thereafter at intervals not to exceed 500 hours time-in-service (TIS) or 12 calendar months, whichever occurs first.	Accomplish in accordance with the instructions in American Champion Aircraft Corporation (ACAC) Service Letter No. 406, Revision A, dated May 6, 1998. This service bulletin specifies an FAA-approved inspection option using a high-intensity flexible light (e.g., "Bend-A-Light"). A regular flashlight must not be used for this portion of the inspection. Alternative FAA-approved inspection options are listed in this service bulletin.
(2) Additional Inspection Requirements: If, after January 19, 2001 (the effective date of AD 2000-25-02), any airplane is involved in an accident/incident that involves wing damage (e.g., wing surface deformations such as abrasions, gouges, scratches, or dents, etc.), accomplish the inspection required in paragraph (e)(1) of this AD.	Prior to further flight after each accident/incident that involved wing damage.	Accomplish in accordance with the instructions in American Champion Aircraft Corporation (ACAC) Service Letter No. 406, Revision A, dated May 6, 1998. This service bulletin specifies an FAA-approved inspection option using a high-intensity flexible light (e.g., "Bend-A-Light"). A regular flashlight must not be used for this portion of the inspection options are listed in this service bulletin.
(3) Replacement Requirements: If any damage is found during any inspection required by this AD, repair or replace the wood spar.	Prior to further flight after the inspection where the damage is found.	In accordance with Advisory Circular (AC) 43.13-1B, Acceptable Methods, Techniques, and Practices; or other data that is FAA-approved for wing spar repair or replacement.

Action	Compliance Time	Procedures
(4) Reporting Requirement: If any	Within 10 days after the	Mail the information to: FAA, Chicago
damage is found during any inspection	inspection where the	Aircraft Certification Office (ACO),
required by this AD, submit a	damage was found or within	Attention: Docket No. 98-CE-121-AD,
Malfunction or Defect Report (M or D),	10 days after January 19,	2300 E. Devon Avenue, Des Plaines,
FAA Form 8010-4, to the FAA.	2001 (the effective date of	Illinois 60018; facsimile: (847) 294-
	AD 2000-25-02),	7834. You may also file electronically as
(i) Include the airplane model and serial	whichever occurs later.	discussed in this AD.
number, the extent of the damage		**************************************
(location and type), and the number of		
total TIS on the damaged wing.		
(ii) You may submit M or D reports		
electronically by accessing the FAA		
AFS-600 web page at		· ·
http://www.mmac.jccbi.gov/afs/afs600.		
Because you will lose access to the		
report once you electronically submit it,		
we recommend printing two copies prior		
to submitting the report and forward one		•
to the Chicago ACO and keep the other		
for your records.		
(iii) The Office of Management and		
Budget (OMB) approved the		
information collection requirements	•	
contained in this regulation under the		
provisions of the Paperwork Reduction		
Act of 1980 (14 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).		
The OMB assigned this approval		
Control Number 2120-0056.		

(f) Can I comply with this AD in any other way?

- (1) You may use an alternative method of compliance or adjust the compliance time if:
- (i) Your alternative method of compliance provides an equivalent level of safety; and
- (ii) The Manager, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office, approves your alternative. Submit your request through an FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager.
- (2) ACAC Service Letter 406, Revision A, and ACAC Service Letter 417, Revision C, both dated May 6, 1998, specify additional inspection and installation alternatives over that included in the original issue of these service letters. All inspection and installation alternatives presented in these service letters are acceptable for accomplishing the applicable actions of this AD.
- (3) Alternative methods of compliance approved in accordance with AD 2000-25-02 and AD 98-05-04 are approved as alternative methods of compliance for this AD.