

**British Gliding Association - Technical News Sheet****Issue 4-2007****Date: 04/09/2007****Airworthiness Information:**

1. **APEX DR 300, 400, HR 100/ 200** **AD 2007-0171** **(Mandatory)**
Nose landing gear inspection – various types.
http://ad.easa.europa.eu/blob/easa_ad_2007_0171_corrected.pdf/AD_2007-0171_1
2. **APEX Aircraft various types** **AD 2007-0210** **(Mandatory)**
Fuel pump electrical grounding – modification
http://ad.easa.europa.eu/blob/easa_ad_2007_0210.pdf/AD_2007-0210_1
3. **GROB Twin Astir and G103** **AD 2007-0194-E** **(Mandatory)**
Structural inspections
http://ad.easa.europa.eu/blob/easa_ad_2007_0194E.pdf/EAD_2007-0194-E_1
4. **LET L13 BLANIK** **AD 2007-0212** **(Mandatory)**
Control stick and bridge inspection
http://ad.easa.europa.eu/blob/easa_ad_2007_0212.pdf/AD_2007-0212_1
5. **Schempp-Hirth Duo Discus** **(Advisory)**
Report from GFA Australia.
Tow release cable failure inside tubular steel rivet inside release handle. Not fitted to all aircraft. Careful inspection for broken strands advised.
6. **Stemme S10-VT** **AD 2007-0191** **(Mandatory)**
Fuel pressure differential sensor inspection & replacement
http://ad.easa.europa.eu/blob/easa_ad_2007_0191E.pdf/EAD_2007-0191-E_1

ENGINES

- None

EQUIPMENT

- None

General Information**1. Transition information**

Information and downloads for the transition of gliders to EASA C of A is available on the BGA web site.

<http://www.gliding.co.uk/bgainfo/technical/easa/introduction.htm>

Information on Flight Manuals revision status will soon be available on the BGA web site "Transition" page. There will also be links to the Type Certificate Data Sheets.

In the interim, German LBA TCDS are available using the following links.
Use the reference documents at the end of the list to determine file name.

<http://www.gliding.co.uk/bgainfo/technical/easa/tcds/>

The LBA TCDS are kindly supplied by the LBA to aid the transition and are LBA Copyright.

EASA TCDS are available from the EASA web site

http://www.easa.eu.int/home/tc_aircraft_en.html

Note, the BGA is unable to supply paper copies of TCDS.

2. Glider Markings

There appears to be some debate on the markings required on BGA gliders. BGA AMP leaflet 3-7 provides BGA interpretation and guidance on the CAA requirements. CAP 523 and ultimately the Air Navigation Order are the definitive references guides. Please read carefully when making an interpretation of the requirements.

In addition BGA Laws and Rules for Glider Pilots - Operational Regulation 1.9 should be observed. This one could save your life!

Nothing the UK is doing now is unique, follow the examples from our colleagues in Europe who have been displaying D- or F- etc. for many years.

Compliance Statement:

All mandatory inspections and modifications have been included up to the following:

CAA CAP 455 Airworthiness Notices, Contents issue: 140 Checklist: 28 March 2007

CAA CAP 747 Mandatory Requirements for Aircraft, issue: 2 amendment: 8/2007

State of Design Airworthiness Directives review date: 04 September 2007

For reference:

FAA Summary of Airworthiness Directives. Bi-weekly listing 2007-17

EASA Airworthiness Directives review date: 04 September 2007

CAA CAP 474 Foreign Airworthiness Directives issue: 372

CAA CAP 476 Mandatory Aircraft Modifications and Inspections Summary issue: 287

CAA CAP 661 Mandatory Permit Directives, issue 2007/2

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