

Airworthiness Directive

In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the German original issue

96-005 Schleicher

Date of issue: January 22, 1996

Affected airplanes:

German Type Certificate No.: 216

Schleicher

K8, K8B und K8C including any license- and home-built sailplanes - S/No's.: all

Subject:

Al) Canopy retaining cord; inspection/replacement

A2) Rudder pedals; inspection/modification

A3) Elevator control linkage; inspection/replacement

A4) Inspection of the fuselage tube skelton and the control linkages for corrosin

B1) Amendment of the K8 Flight and Operations Manual

B2) Specification of the maximum diameter for the wing attachement pins

Reason:

For safety reason and on requirement by the LBA a complete inspection of the fuselage tube skeleton and of all control linkages is scheduled and required by the Technical Note.

Actions:

- ad A1) Check wetner the canopy retaining cord uses a snap hook as weak link at the fuselage
- ad A2) Inspection and adjustment of the rudder pedals. To prevent bending of pedal boards, it is recommended to modify the attachment collar.
- ad A3) Inspection of elevator push rods for bending, deformation od damage. If necessary, replace rods by a new one.
- ad A4) Insection of fuselage skeleton and control linkage tubes for corrosion. If necessary, replace concerned parts.
- ad B1) Insert Technical Note into Flight and Maintenance Manual
- ad B2) Specify diameter for the wing attachment pins. If the tolerance of the bore in the wing attachment fitting is exceeded, the fittings must be replaced.

Compliance:

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Actions Al) up to A4) must be performed at each annual inspection, but for the first time at latest on April 30, 1996.

Action B1) must be performed at the next annual inspection, but not later than April 30, 1996.

Action B2) Recommended if necessary.

Technical publication of the manufacturer:

Schleicher Technical Note No. 24, dated December 04, 1995 which becomes herewith part of this AD and may be obtained from Messrs.

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Accomplishment and log book entry:

Action to be accomplished by an approved service station and to be checked and entered in the log by a licensed inspector.