

## 4.2 Special Servicing Procedures and Equipment Subject to Service Life Limitations

### **Special Servicing Procedures**

At regular intervals of five years, the EPDM (Du Pont Ethylene-Propylene-Rubber) sealing rings of the water ballast valves must be checked, and replaced if required.

Brake line hoses of the “old type” must be replaced at regular intervals of 6 years. Should this hose be in good condition, it need not be replaced, if its condition is checked at least every 100 flying hours.

Brake line hoses of the “new type” have no service life time limitation.

The identification of the brake line hose type is possible by accomplishing technical note TN 25.

### **Equipment subject to Service Life Limitations**

#### Tow Release Couplings

The TOST tow release couplings, fitted as standard equipment have a limited service life and must be returned for inspection and servicing at regular time intervals. Their service life begins when they are fitted in the aircraft.

Specifications of service life will be found in the TOST operating manuals for the tow release couplings.

#### Instruments

The flight monitoring instruments are not normally subject to service life limitations. As a general rule, the makers' instructions should be complied with.