

**§ 39.13 [Amended]**

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

**97-25-16 British Aerospace Regional Aircraft [Formerly Jetstream Aircraft Limited, British Aerospace (Commercial Aircraft) Limited]:** Amendment 39-10241. Docket 97-NM-146-AD.

*Applicability:* Jetstream Model 4101 airplanes, constructors numbers 41005 through 41069 inclusive, and 41071 through 41078 inclusive; certificated in any category.

**Note 1:** This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been otherwise modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (b) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

*Compliance:* Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent separation of the tailplane (horizontal stabilizer) from the fin, which could lead to reduced controllability of the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Within 3,000 hours time-in-service or 11 months after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first, perform a one-time inspection of the attachment bolts and surrounding area of the horizontal stabilizer leading edges for discrepancies, in accordance with Jetstream Service Bulletin J41-55-002, Revision 1, dated July 25, 1996. If any discrepancy is found, prior to further flight, correct the discrepancy in accordance with the service bulletin.

(b) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

**Note 2:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

(c) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(d) The actions shall be done in accordance with Jetstream Service Bulletin J41-55-002, Revision 1, dated July 25, 1996, which contains the specified effective pages:

Page No.	Revision level shown on page	Date shown on page
1, 3 .....	1 .....	July 25, 1996.
2, 4-9 .....	Original ....	June 28, 1996.

This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from AI(R) American Support, Inc., 13850 Mclearen Road, Herndon, Virginia 20171. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**Note 3:** The subject of this AD is addressed British airworthiness directive 004-06-96.

(e) This amendment becomes effective on January 20, 1998.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on December 5, 1997.

**John J. Hickey,**

*Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39**

[Docket No. 97-NM-161-AD; Amendment 39-10243; AD 97-25-18]

RIN 2120-AA64

**Airworthiness Directives; Aerospatiale Model ATR42 Series Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain Aerospatiale Model ATR42 series airplanes, that requires removal of certain landing gear attachment pins, and replacement of the pins with serviceable pins. This amendment is prompted by issuance of mandatory continuing airworthiness information by a foreign civil airworthiness authority. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent wear of the attachment pins, which could result in collapse of the main landing gear.

**DATES:** Effective January 20, 1998.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of January 20, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Aerospatiale, 316 Route de Bayonne, 31060 Toulouse, Cedex 03, France. This information may be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-2110; fax (425) 227-1149.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to certain Aerospatiale Model ATR42 series airplanes was published in the **Federal Register** on August 25, 1997 (62 FR 44915). That action proposed to require removal of certain landing gear attachment pins, and replacement of the pins with serviceable pins.

**Comments**

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. Due consideration has been given to the single comment received.

The commenter supports the proposed rule.

**Conclusion**

After careful review of the available data, including the comment noted above, the FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require the adoption of the rule as proposed.

**Cost Impact**

The FAA estimates that 88 Model ATR42 series airplanes of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD, that it will take approximately 45 work hours per airplane to accomplish the required actions, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Required parts will be provided by the manufacturer at no cost to operators. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$237,600, or \$2,700 per airplane.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

**Regulatory Impact**

The regulations adopted herein will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this final rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this action (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A final evaluation has been prepared for this action and it is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained from the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

**List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39**

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

**Adoption of the Amendment**

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

**PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES**

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

**§ 39.13 [Amended]**

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

**97-25-18 Aerospace:** Amendment 39-10243. Docket 97-NM-161-AD.

**Applicability:** Model ATR42 series airplanes as identified in Aerospatiale Service Bulletin No. ATR42-32-0081, dated July 16, 1996, and Aerospatiale Service Bulletin No. ATR42-32-0082, dated July 16, 1996; certificated in any category.

**Note 1:** This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been otherwise modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

**Compliance:** Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent wear of the landing gear attachment pins, which could result in collapse of the main landing gear (MLG), accomplish the following:

(a) Within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, remove the MLG leg hinge pins and side brace assembly center pins having the part numbers (P/N) specified in paragraph C.(2) of Aerospatiale Service Bulletin No. ATR42-32-0081, dated July 16, 1996; and replace the pins with serviceable pins, in accordance with the Aerospatiale service bulletin and Messier-Dowty Service Bulletin No. 631-32-127, Revision 1, dated October 22, 1996.

(b) Prior to the accumulation of 15,000 landings since the last overhaul of the MLG, or within 8 years time-in-service since the last overhaul of the MLG, whichever occurs first, remove the MLG swinging lever/barrel

pins and shock absorber universal joint hinge pins having the P/N's specified in paragraph C.(2) of Aerospatiale Service Bulletin No. ATR42-32-0082, dated July 16, 1996; and replace the pins with serviceable pins, in accordance with the Aerospatiale service bulletin and Messier-Dowty Service Bulletin No. 631-32-128, Revision 1, dated November 15, 1996.

**Note 2:** Serviceable pins include those that have been removed, inspected and marked with green paint in accordance with Messier-Dowty Service Bulletin No. 631-32-127, Revision 1, dated October 22, 1996; or Messier-Dowty Service Bulletin No. 631-32-128, Revision 1, dated November 15, 1996; as applicable.

(c) As of the effective date of this AD, no person shall install any MLG pin having a part number identified in Aerospatiale Service Bulletin No. ATR42-32-0081, dated July 16, 1996, or Aerospatiale Service Bulletin No. ATR42-32-0082, dated July 16, 1996, on any airplane unless that pin is considered to be serviceable in accordance with the applicable service bulletin.

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

**Note 3:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

(e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(f) The actions shall be done in accordance with the following Aerospatiale and Messier-Dowty service bulletins, which contain the following specified list of effective pages:

Service bulletin revision and date	Page No.	Revision level shown on page	Date shown on page
Aerospatiale ATR42-32-0081, July 16, 1996 .....	1-7 .....	Original .....	July 16, 1996.
Aerospatiale, ATR42-32-0082, July 16, 1996 .....	1-6 .....	Original .....	July 16, 1996.
Messier Dowty, 631-32-127, Revision 1, October 22, 1996 .....	1-15, 19-31 .....	1 .....	Oct. 22, 1996.
	16-18 .....	Original .....	July 18, 1996.
Messier Dowty, 631-32-128, Revision 1, November 15, 1996 .....	1-11, 13-22 .....	1 .....	Nov. 15, 1996
	12 .....	Original .....	July 18, 1996.

This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from Aerospatiale, 316 Route de Bayonne, 31060 Toulouse, Cedex 03, France. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport

Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**Note 4:** The subject of this AD is addressed issued French airworthiness directive 96-131-064(B), dated July 3, 1996.

(g) This amendment becomes effective on January 20, 1998.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on December 5, 1997.

John J. Hickey,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97-AGL-27]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Mason, MI

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This action corrects an incomplete name in a final rule that was published in the Federal Register on October 29, 1997, Airspace Docket Number 97-AGL-27. The Final Rule modified Class E airspace at Mason, MI. EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, January 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle M. Behm, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, AGL-520, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018, telephone (847) 294-7568.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

Federal Register document 97-28605, Airspace Docket Number 97-AGL-27, published on October 29, 1997 (62 FR 56067), modified the description of the Class E airspace area at Mason, MI. An incomplete name was discovered in the legal description for this airspace. This action corrects that error.

Correction to Final Rule

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the airspace designation for the Class E airspace area at Mason, MI, incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 (FR Document 97-28605), is corrected as follows:

§ 71.1 [Corrected]

On page 56067, column 3, line 25, in the Class E airspace designation for Mason, MI, correct "Eaton, MI" to read "Eaton Rapids, MI."

Issued in Des Plaines, Illinois on November 12, 1997.

David B. Johnson,

Assistant Manager, Air Traffic Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97-ASW-25]

Revision of Class E Airspace; Gallup, NM

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comment.

SUMMARY: This amendment modifies the Class E airspace at Gallup, NM. The development of a Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to runway (RWY) 6 at Gallup Municipal Airport, Gallup, NM has made this rule necessary. This action is intended to provide adequate controlled airspace extending from 700 feet or more above the surface for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Gallup Municipal Airport, Gallup, NM.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, April 23, 1998. Comments must be received on or before January 29, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the rule in triplicate to Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration Southwest Region, Docket No. 97-ASW-25, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0520.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Room 663, Fort Worth, TX, between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Room 414, Fort Worth, TX.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald J. Day, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Southwest Region, Federal Aviation Administration, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0520, telephone 817-222-5593.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 revises the Class E airspace at Gallup, NM. The development of a GPS SIAP to RWY 6 at Gallup Municipal Airport, Gallup, NM has made this action necessary. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace extending from 700 feet or more above the surface for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Gallup Municipal Airport, Gallup, NM.

Class E airspace designations are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9E, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR § 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the order.

The Direct Final Rule Procedure

The FAA anticipates that this regulation will not result in adverse or negative comment and therefore is issuing it as a direct final rule. A substantial number of previous opportunities provided to the public to comment on substantially identical actions have resulted in negligible adverse comments or objections. Unless a written adverse or negative comment, or a written notice of intent to submit an adverse or negative comment is received within the comment period, the regulation will become effective on the date specified above. After the close of this comment period, the FAA will publish a document in the Federal Register indicating that no adverse or negative comments were received and confirming the date on which the final rule will become effective. If the FAA does receive, within the comment period, an adverse or negative comment, or written notice of intent to submit such a comment, a document withdrawing the direct final rule will be published in the Federal Register, and a notice of proposed rulemaking may be published with a new comment period.

Comments Invited

Although this action is in the form of a final rule and was not preceded by a notice of proposed rulemaking, comments are invited on this rule. Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified under the caption ADDRESSES. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered, and this rule may be amended or withdrawn in light of the comments received. Factual information that supports the commenter's ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this action and determining whether additional rulemaking action is needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before