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Inkraftsetzung Mise en vigueur Entrata in vigore Effective Date	28.09.1998	PC-12 Series FOCA TC No.: F 56-30	

Betroffene Muster - Types concernés - Applicabilità - Models affected PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD.

All Model PC-12 and PC-12/45 airplanes.

Manufacturers Serial Numbers: MSN 101 up to and including MSN 227 and MSN 232.

Anlass / Massnahmen - Objet / Mesures - Oggetto / Provvedimenti - Subject / Action

ALTERNATE FLAP SYSTEM

- Removal of ALTERNATE FLAP switch.
- Installation of FLAP MAINT switch.
- Insertion of Temporary AFM/POH and AMM revisions.

Fristen - Délais- Scadenza - Compliance (Required as indicated, unless already accomplished)

Required within 30 days after the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive.

Herkunft - Provenance - Provenienza - Origin

FOCA Airworthiness Directive.

Bezugnahme - Référence - Riferimento - Reference

- Pilatus PC-12 Service Bulletin PC-12 No. 27-004, dated September 15,1998.
- Pilatus PC-12 Maintenance Manual Temporary Revision No. 27-02, dated September 11,1998.
- Pilatus PC-12 Maintenance Manual Temporary Revision No. 27-03, dated September 11,1998.
- Pilatus PC-12 Pilot's Operating Handbook POH Temporary Revision: «Removal of Alternate Flap System» dated September 11,1998.

The applicable manufacturer's documentation may be obtained directly from:

PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD

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Bemerkungen - Observations - Osservazioni - Remarks

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HB 98-352 PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD. – PC-12 and PC-12/45 ALTERNATE FLAP SYSTEM - Removal

Applicability:

PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD.

All Model PC-12 and PC-12/45 airplanes.

Manufacturers Serial Numbers: MSN 101 up to and including MSN 227 and MSN 232.

Effective Date : September 28,1998.

Reason:

Improper use of the «Alternate Flap System» coincident with a mechanical failure of the flap system may lead to flap asymmetry which in turn could lead to a potentially dangerous situation. Though the procedures in the AFM/POH describe exactly the procedures to be followed in case of a flap malfunction, it has become evident that pilots can use the Alternate Flap System without adhering to the prescribed procedures.

To prevent any possible potentially-dangerous situation, as a consequence of improper pilot's handling, this Airworthiness Directive (AD) requires removal of the ALTERNATE FLAP switch from the center console in the cockpit and installation of a blanking plate. This AD also requires installation of a FLAP MAINT switch as well as the insertion of a Temporary Revision into the Aircraft Maintenance Manual (AMM) and Pilot's Operating Handbook (POH).

<u>Compliance</u>: (as indicated, unless already accomplished)

Required within 30 days after the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive.

The actions required by this AD shall be done in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of PILATUS PC-12 Service Bulletin No. 27-004, dated September 15,1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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NOTE:

An exemption, deviation or extension of the compliance time may be used if approved by the National Airworthiness Authority

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