


EASA	EMERGENCY AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE																	
	<p>AD No.: 2007-0194-E</p> <p>Date: 30 July 2007</p>																	
No person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive unless otherwise agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry.																		
Type Approval Holder's Name :	GROB AEROSPACE GmbH	Type/Model designation(s) :																
		TWIN ASTIR and G103 Gliders, all variants; and G103C TWIN III SL Powered Sailplanes																
TCDS Number : LBA TCDS No. 315 and 869																		
Foreign AD: Not applicable.																		
Supersedure: Not applicable.																		
ATA 53, 55, 57	Fuselage, Wing & Stabilisers Structure – Inspection/Repair																	
Manufacturer(s):	Grob Aerospace GmbH (and predecessor companies)																	
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Reason:	<p>GROB received a report that a wing spar stub failed on a G 103C TWIN III ACRO. Extensive investigations were performed at independent places, but the root cause could not be clearly identified. Neither a pre-damage, caused by a hard landing or ground loop or an exceeding of the permitted speed limits or manoeuvring factors, nor an appropriate or incomplete repair could be excluded.</p> <p>For the reasons described above, this Emergency Airworthiness Directive (EAD) requires a one-time inspection to detect possible damage of the fuselage, wing structure and horizontal stabiliser connections, and follow-on corrective actions, as necessary.</p>																	
Effective Date:	01 August 2007																	

Compliance:	<p>(1) Within the next 25 flight hours or 50 flights, or during the next scheduled 100 hours (or annual) inspection, whichever occurs first after the effective date of this directive, inspect the wings, fuselage and horizontal stabiliser connections in accordance with the instructions contained in Grob Aerospace Service Bulletin MSB 315-74/1, MSB 869-25/1 (same document);</p> <p>(2) If damage is found or in case of doubt, before further flight, report the findings to Grob Aerospace and repair the aircraft in accordance with an approved repair solution, to be supplied by the type design approval holder.</p>
Ref. Publications:	Grob Aerospace Service Bulletin No. MSB 315-74/1, MSB 869-25/1 (same document) dated 30 July 2007.
Remarks :	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If requested and appropriately substantiated the responsible EASA manager for the related product has the authority to accept Alternative Method of Compliance (AMOCs) for this AD. 2. The safety assessment has requested not to implement the full consultation process and an immediate publication and notification. 3. Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the AD Focal Point – Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu. 4. For any questions concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: Grob Aerospace GmbH Lettenbachstrasse 9 86874 Tussenhausen-Mattsies Federal Republic of Germany Phone: + 49 (0) 8268 998 105 Fax: + 49 (0) 8268 998 200 E-mail: productsupport@grob-aerospace.de