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EASA	AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE		
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	Date: 12 November 2008		
C	Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.		
continuing airworthiness of an an aircraft to which an AD app	nice with EC 1702/2003, Part 21A.3B. In accordance with EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.301, the aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable ADs. Consequently, no person may operate blies, except in accordance with the requirements of that AD unless otherwise specified by the Agency M.A.303] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [EC 216/2008, Article 14(4) exemption].		
Type Approval Ho	older's Name :	Type/Model designation(s) :	
Funkwerk Avionics	GmbH	TRT600 transponders	
ETSO Authorisation: LBA 10.930\063NTS			
Foreign AD : Not applicable			
Revision:	Revision: This AD revises and replaces EASA AD 2008-0158R1 dated 17 October 2008.		
ATA 34	Navigation – Mode-S Transponders – Limitation		
Manufacturer(s):	Filser Electronic GmbH		
	TRT600 Mode-S Transponders, all part numbers, all serial numbers.		
	These transponde following aircraft ty	rs are known to be installed on, but not limited to, the /pes:	
Applicability:	 - AMS-Flight (Rolladen-Schneider) LS 4 series Sailplanes - DG Flugzeugbau DG-800 and DG-1000 series (Powered) Sailplanes - Diamond Aircraft Industries DA 20 aircraft - Extra EA-200 and EA-300 series aircraft - HB-Flugtechnik GmbH HB 21 and HB 23 series Powered Sailplanes - Scheibe SF 25 C Powered Sailplanes - Schempp-Hirth Discus, Ventus and Nimbus series (Powered) Sailplanes - Schleicher Gliders and Powered Sailplanes - Stemme S 10 series Powered Sailplanes. 		
Reason:	EASA has received reports of intermittent loss of detection on Mode-S Secondary Surveillance Radar (SSR) of aircraft equipped with Funkwerk Avionics TRT800A Transponders. Reports from Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSP), as well as data from flight trials, have shown that the unit fails to perform as expected. Operation of these transponders in airspace where Mode S interrogations are used by the ground systems could create disruptions in the Air Traffic Management process, potentially compromising aircraft safety. Because recent investigations and analyses have shown that, contrary to earlier indications, the TRT800 transponders are not affected by this unsafe		

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	condition, AD 2008-0158 was revised (R1) to delete the TRT800 from the Applicability. Funkwerk Avionics has now developed a modification (Mod-Index 10), approved by EASA, which has been demonstrated to remedy the unsafe condition for TRT800A and TRT800H transponders in the current ATC environment. For the reason described above, the requirements for TRT800A and TRT800H transponders have been transferred to EASA AD 2008-0183 and EASA AD 2008-0158 has been revised (R2) accordingly. For more details, see EASA Safety Information Bulletin (SIB) 2008-84R1	
	which identifies further issues that may lead to future AD action.	
Effective Date:	04 September 2008	
	Within 7 days after the effective date of this AD, accomplish the following:	
	(1) Amend the applicable Aircraft Flight Manual (AFM), Limitations section, to include the following:	
Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):	"Do not operate this aircraft in airspace where a transponder is required and Mode S interrogation is used by the ground system, unless accepted by the relevant ANSP(s) prior to entering this airspace".	
	This may be accomplished by inserting a copy of this AD into the AFM, section Limitations.	
	(2) Install a placard in full view of the pilot(s), with the following instructions:	
	"Do not operate this aircraft in airspace where a transponder is required and Mode S interrogation is used by the ground system, unless accepted by the relevant ANSP(s) prior to entering this airspace".	
Ref. Publications:	EASA Safety Information Bulletin 2008-84R1 dated 12 November 2008.	
	If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD.	
Remarks :	The required actions and the risk allowance have granted the issuance of a Final AD with Request for Comments, postponing the public consultation process after publication.	
	 Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the Airworthiness Directives, Safety Management & Research Section, Certification Directorate, EASA; E-mail ADs@easa.europa.eu 	
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