Airworthiness Directive

Pacific Aerospace 750XL Aircraft



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DCA/750XL/14 Rudder Pedal Assembly – Inspection and Repair

Applicability: Model Pacific Aerospace 750XL aircraft, S/N all through to 111.

Note: This AD is prompted by a report from the manufacturer of finding cracks in rudder pedal

assemblies at the quadrant attachment weld on early 750 XL aircraft.

Requirement: To prevent failure of the rudder pedal assembly due to possible cracks in the quadrant attachment weld which could result in loss of yaw control, accomplish the following:

1. Inspect the quadrant welds in the LH rudder pedal assembly P/N 11-45711-1 and the RH rudder pedal assembly P/N 11-45713-1 per the instructions in Pacific Aerospace Limited Mandatory Service Bulletin (MSB) PACSB/XL/050 issue 1 dated 15 December 2010.

If any cracks are found which are greater than ¼ inch, accomplish requirement 2 of this AD before further flight.

2. Terminating action:

Embody repair scheme PAC/XL/0461 (drawing 11-03221/22 refers) per the instructions in PACSB/XL/050.

(PACSB/XL/050 issue 1 refers)

Compliance:

Inspection:

Within the next 50 hours TIS or by 30 April 2011 whichever occurs sooner, and thereafter:

If any cracks are found that are less than 1/4 inch:

Inspect the rudder pedal assembly per requirement 1 of this AD at weekly intervals until the next 150 hour inspection, then accomplish requirement 2 of this AD.

If no cracks found:

Inspect the rudder pedal assembly at intervals not to exceed 300 hours TIS until the next 1200 hours TIS or by 31 March 2013 whichever occurs sooner, then accomplish requirement 2 of this AD.

2. Terminating action for the repetitive inspections:

Within the next 1200 hours TIS or by 31 March 2013 whichever occurs sooner, unless previously accomplished.

Effective Date:

31 March 2011

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RUDDER PEDAL WELD ASSEMBLY

1. PLANNING INFORMATION

All Pacific Aerospace Limited 750XL aircraft A. **EFFECTIVITY**

up to S/N XL 111

B. **REASON** Possibility of cracks forming around the

welds on the Rudder Pedal Weld Assemblies, at the rudder cable pulley.

C. There have been instances of cracks being **DESCRIPTION**

found on the end of the pedals where the welded rudder cable pulley is located on early 750 XL aircraft. Check the areas around the weld with a dye penetrating crack detection process. If there are any signs of cracking being present, a repair scheme

needs to be incorporated.

The aircraft should be inspected D. **COMPLIANCE**

> immediately. If there are any signs of cracks greater than 1/4 inch, the aircraft should not be flown and repair scheme PAC/XL/0461 incorporated. Aircraft found with cracks less than 1/4 inch should be monitored weekly and repair scheme PAC/XL/0461 incorporated at

next 150 hour Inspection.

E. By the delegated authority. **APPROVAL**

F. No special tools are required. **TOOLING**

G. Negligible weight change. WEIGHT AND BALANCE

P750 XL Maintenance Manual Ch 27-20-00 Η. <u>REFERENCE</u>

PAL Drawing 11-03221/22

I. **HOURS REQUIRED** 4 hours Labour



2. ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Inspection of Rudder Pedal Weld Assembly

A. Method:

1) The rudder pedal weld assembly should be checked around the welds, at the rudder cable pulley, using a dye penetration technique. An example of the potential cracking is shown in Figure 1.

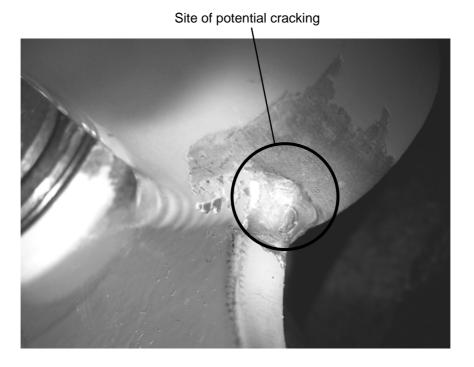


FIGURE 1 RUDDER PEDAL WELD ASSEMBLY

Incorporation of Repair.

A. Method:

- 1) Remove Rudder Pedal assembly IAW P750XL Maintenance Manual, Chapter 27-20-00. It may be possible to carry out the repair in situ.
- 2) Carry out repair of Rudder Pedal Weld Assemblies IAW PAC/XL/0461 (refer to Drawing 11-03221/22).
- 3) Upon completion of the repair, install Rudder Pedal assembly IAW P750XL Maintenance Manual, Chapter 27-20-00.

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3. **CERTIFICATION**

Record compliance with this bulletin in the aircraft Log Book.

NZCAA are aware of this Service Bulletin and an emergency AD is anticipated.

4. MATERIAL REQUIRED:

<u>Description</u>	Part Number	Qty Required
LEVER ASSY LH	11-03221-5	1
LEVER ASSY RH	11-03222-6	1
REPAIR TUBE LH	11-03221-16	1
REPAIR TUBE RH	11-03222-17	1
BOLT	NAS6203-20	4
WASHER	AN960-10	4
NUT	MS21042L3	4
ADHESIVE SEALANT	AMS-S8802	A/R



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