
AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

For the reasons set out in the background section, the CASA delegate whose signature appears below issues the following Airworthiness Directive (AD) under subregulation 39.1 (1) of CAR 1998. The AD requires that the action set out in the requirement section (being action that the delegate considers necessary to correct the unsafe condition) be taken in relation to the aircraft or aeronautical product mentioned in the applicability section: (a) in the circumstances mentioned in the requirement section; and (b) in accordance with the instructions set out in the requirement section; and (c) at the time mentioned in the compliance section.

Cargo Equipment

AD/CARGO/1

Ribeco Air Cargo Pallet

10/2002

Applicability: Ribeco air cargo pallets 7-2ALP-L-30-().

- Requirement:
1. Inspect affected air cargo pallet for evidence of damage i.e. cracks or fractures.
 2. Reduce the affected air cargo pallet permitted load to 75% of the specified maximum load determined by the manufacturer.
 3. Retire affected air cargo pallets from service.

Note 1: Cancellation of the JTSO Authorisation LBA.O.11.400/171JTSO for the Ribeco air cargo pallets 7-2ALP-L-30-() is effective from 31 December 2002.

Note 2: LBA AD 2002-232 refers.

- Compliance:
1. Before each pallet loading; effective 3 October 2002.
 2. Before further use after 3 October 2002.
 3. After 31 December 2002.

This Airworthiness Directive becomes effective on 3 October 2002.

Background: The LBA has determined that the air cargo pallet manufacturer has failed to complete certification testing of the affected air cargo pallet under maximum proof load. Due to insolvency proceedings, the manufacturer was removed from the German trade register and the LBA has moved to cancel the existing JTSO Authorisation.



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