

McDonnell Douglas (Hughes) and Kawasaki 369 Series Helicopters

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**AD/HU 369/89**

**Main Blade Root End**

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- Applicability: Model 369, 369A, 369D, 369E, 369F, 369FF, 369H, 369HE, 369HM, 369HS, and 500N helicopters.
- Requirement: Inspect in accordance with Part I and Part II of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Systems Service Information Notice HN-239, DN-188, EN-81, FN-67, or NN-008, as applicable.
- Note: FAA AD 96-10-09 Amdt 39-9615 refers.*
- Compliance: For Part I: Unless the initial inspection has already been accomplished, within 10 hours time in service after 17 June 1996.
- For Part II: Within 100 hours time in service after 17 June 1996, thereafter at intervals not to exceed 100 hours time in service.
- Background: The FAA received a report of one accident in which a blade separated from the helicopter, as well as eight other reports of cracked blades. The actions specified in this Directive are intended to prevent failure of a blade and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.