



Airworthiness Directive

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Design Approval Holder's Name:

FOKKER SERVICES B.V.

Type/Model designation(s):

F28 aeroplanes

Effective Date: 24 May 2019

TCDS Number(s): EASA.A.037

Foreign AD: Not applicable

Supersedure: This AD supersedes Directorate-General of Civil Aviation of The Netherlands (RLD) AD (BLA) [94-095](#) dated 15 July 1994, including its Correction; and EASA AD [2015-0077](#) dated 06 May 2015.

ATA 32 – Landing Gear – Main Landing Gear Hydraulic Hose Assemblies – Replacement

Manufacturer(s):

Fokker Aircraft B.V.

Applicability:

F28 Mark 0070 and Mark 0100 aeroplanes, all serial numbers (s/n); and F28 Mark 1000, Mark 2000, Mark 3000 and Mark 4000 aeroplanes, all models, all s/n.

Definitions:

For the purpose of this AD, the following definitions apply:

The applicable SB: Fokker Services Service Bulletin (SB) SBF28-32-165 and SBF100-32-162 Revision 1, as applicable.

Affected part: Hose assemblies, having Part Number (P/N) 97867-1 or P/N 97867-3.

Serviceable part: Hose assemblies, having P/N A25509-01 or P/N A25629-01.



Reason:

In 1994, an occurrence was reported of a single main landing gear (MLG) collapse on a Fokker F28 aeroplane. Investigation results showed that sudden movement of the MLG retraction actuator could lead to the pressurization of the MLG downlock actuator and lifting of the MLG toggle links. Sudden movement of the retraction actuator, although a few millimeters only, might occur when the aeroplane touches down at a relatively large “crab-angle”. When subjected to resulting side-loads, the MLG may then retract.

This condition, if not corrected, could lead to a runway excursion, possibly resulting in damage to the aeroplane and injury to occupants.

Prompted by this event, Fokker Aircraft revised SBF28-32-123, introducing hydraulic hose assembly P/N 97867-1 to the MLG retraction actuators of F28 Mark 1000 through Mark 4000 aeroplanes. This hose assembly has a built-in restrictor check valve including wire-mesh filter screens. Consequently, the RLD issued AD (BLA) 94-095 to require replacement of hose assemblies P/N A71462-401 (without a built-in restrictor check valve) with hose assemblies P/N 97867-1. On all F28 Mark 0070 and Mark 0100 aeroplanes, either hose assemblies P/N 97867-1 or P/N 97867-3 (both having a built-in restrictor check valve, and a wire-mesh filter screen) were installed on the Fokker production line.

After that AD was issued, three reports were received on Fokker F28 Mark 0100 aeroplanes of failure to extend a single MLG. Investigation revealed that these events were caused by debris in the hydraulic circuit, combined with failure of a wire-mesh filter screen. This eventually resulted in debris entering the restrictor check valve, blockage of the restrictor orifice just prior to or during landing gear down selection, consequent hydraulic lock and failure of the affected MLG to extend.

Following the first 2 reports, Fokker Services issued SBF100-32-166, SBF28-32-164 and Component SB CSB-32-026 to provide instructions for the removal of hoses P/N 97867-1 and P/N 97867-3 from all F28 aeroplanes, in-shop inspection of the filter screens on the restrictor check valves of the removed hoses and installation of serviceable hoses P/N 97867-1 and P/N 97867-3, as applicable. Consequently, EASA issued AD 2015-0077 to require those actions.

More recently, Fokker Services developed hose assemblies P/N A25509-01 and P/N A25629-01, equipped with restrictor check valves with strengthened (non-wire mesh) screen filters and issued the applicable SB accordingly, providing installation instructions.

For the reasons described above, this AD cancels the now-redundant requirements of RLD AD (BLA) 94-095 and EASA AD 2015-0077, which are superseded, and requires replacement of the affected parts with serviceable parts.

Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):

Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:

Replacement:

- (1) Within 18 months after the effective date of this AD, replace each affected part with a serviceable part in accordance with the instructions of the applicable SB.



Part(s) Installation:

- (2) After modification of an aeroplane as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, do not install any affected part on that aeroplane.

Ref. Publications:

Fokker Services SBF28-32-165 original issue dated 19 March 2019.

Fokker Services SBF100-32-162 Revision 1 dated 19 March 2019.

The use of later approved revisions of the above-mentioned documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.

Remarks:

1. If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD.
2. This AD was posted on 29 March 2019 as PAD 19-050 for consultation until 26 April 2019. No comments were received during the consultation period.
3. Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the EASA Programming and Continued Airworthiness Information Section, Certification Directorate. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu.
4. Information about any failures, malfunctions, defects or other occurrences, which may be similar to the unsafe condition addressed by this AD, and which may occur, or have occurred on a product, part or appliance not affected by this AD, can be reported to the [EU aviation safety reporting system](#).
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