This AD applies to Hélicoptères Guimbal (HG) Model Cabri G2 helicopters, certified in any category, the following aluminum cooling fan (cooling fan) part number (P/N) installed:

1. P/N G52–00–000,
2. P/N G52–00–001 or P/N G52–04–100, if it is or has previously been mounted on a 12-hole engine pulley P/N G52–10–100 or P/N G52–10–101.

This AD was prompted by reports of in-flight engine shutdowns due to a crack and subsequent failure of the cooling fan. The FAA is issuing this AD to prevent failure of the cooling fan. This condition, if not addressed, could result in an in-flight engine shut-down and loss of control of the helicopter.

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(1) For Model Cabri G2 helicopters with a cooling fan P/N G52–00–000 installed, within 150 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of this AD:

(i) Remove the cooling fan from service by following the Required Actions, Cooling Fan Removal, paragraphs (a) through (g), of Guimbal Service Bulletin SB 16–021, Revision E, dated August 27, 2019 (SB 16–021 Rev E), except you are not required to discard any parts.

(ii) Install the improved cooling fan P/N G52–04–101 by following the Required Actions, Cooling Fan Installation, paragraphs (a) through (j), of SB 16–021 Rev E.

(2) For Model Cabri G2 helicopters with a cooling fan P/N G52–00–001 or P/N G52–04–100 that is mounted or was previously mounted on a 12-hole engine pulley P/N G52–10–100 or P/N G52–10–101, and with 1,500 or more total hours TIS, since first installation on a helicopter, within 150 hours TIS after the effective date of this AD:

(i) Remove the cooling fan from service by following the Required Actions, Cooling Fan Removal, paragraphs (a) through (g), of SB 16–021 Rev E, except you are not required to discard any parts, or remove the cooling fan by following the Required Actions, Cooling Fan Removal, paragraphs (a) through (g), of SB 16–021 Rev E and modify the cooling fan by following the Required Actions, Cooling Fan Retrofit, paragraphs (a) through (h) of SB 16–021 Rev E.

(ii) Install the improved cooling fan P/N G52–04–101 by following the Required Actions, Cooling Fan Installation, paragraphs (a) through (j), of SB 16–021 Rev E.

(iii) For Model Cabri G2 helicopters with a cooling fan P/N G52–00–001 or P/N G52–04–100 that is mounted or was previously mounted on a 12-hole engine pulley P/N G52–10–100 or P/N G52–10–101 and with 500 total hours TIS but with less than 1,500 total hours TIS, since first installation on a helicopter, within 500 hours TIS after the effective date of this AD, perform the actions required by paragraphs (g)(2)(i) and (ii) of this AD.

(4) For Model Cabri G2 helicopters with a cooling fan P/N G52–00–001 or P/N G52–04–100 that is mounted or was previously mounted on a 12-hole engine pulley P/N G52–10–100 or P/N G52–10–101 and with less than 500 total hours TIS since first installation on a helicopter, within 1,000 hours TIS after the effective date of this AD, perform the actions required by paragraphs (g)(2)(i) and (ii) of this AD.

As of the effective date of this AD, do not install any cooling fan listed in paragraph (c) of this AD on any helicopter.

This paragraph provides credit for the actions specified in paragraph (g) of this AD, if those actions were performed before the effective date of this AD using Guimbal Service Bulletin SB 16–021, Revision D, dated May 20, 2019.

(1) The Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the International Validation Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (j)(1) of this AD.

Information may be emailed to: 9-AVS-AIR-730-AMOCs@faa.gov.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/ certificate holding district office.

(1) For more information about this AD, contact Andrea Jimenez, Aerospace Engineer, COS Program Management Section, Operational Safety Branch, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, FAA, 1600 Stewart Ave., Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone (516) 228–7330; email andrea.jimenez@faa.gov.

(2) For service information identified in this AD, contact Hélicoptères Guimbal, Basile Giné1, 1107, rue du Lieutenant Parayre, Àérodrome d’Aix-en-Provence, 13290 Les Milles, France; telephone 33–04–42–39–10–88; email basile.gine@guimbal.com; web https://www.guimbal.com. You may view this referenced service information at the FAA, Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, 10101 Hundred Pkwy., Room 6N–321, Fort Worth, TX 76177.


Issued on July 30, 2021.

Lance T. Gant,
Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration
14 CFR Part 39

RIN 2120-AA64
Airworthiness Directives; Saab AB, Support and Services (Formerly Known as Saab AB, Saab Aeronautics) Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

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DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by September 23, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Fax: 202–493–2251.


• Hand Delivery: Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For material that will be incorporated by reference (IBR) in this AD, contact EASA, Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; telephone +49 221 8999 000; email ADs@easa.europa.eu;

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Exhibiting the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket on the internet at https://www.regulations.gov by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA–2021–0616; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this NPRM, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shahram Daneshmandi, Aerospace Engineer, Large Aircraft Section, International Validation Branch, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; telephone and fax 206–231–3220; email shahram.daneshmandi@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under ADDRESSES. Include “Docket No. FAA–2021–0616; Project Identifier MCAI–2021–00256–T” at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend the proposal because of those comments.

Except for Confidential Business Information (CBI) as described in the following paragraph, and other information as described in 14 CFR 11.35, the FAA will post all comments received, without change, to https://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information you provide. The agency will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact received about this proposed AD.

Confidential Business Information

CBI is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this NPRM contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this NPRM, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as ‘‘PROPIN.’’ The FAA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this NPRM. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Shahram Daneshmandi, Aerospace Engineer, Large Aircraft Section, International Validation Branch, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; telephone and fax 206–231–3220; email shahram.daneshmandi@faa.gov. Any commentary that the FAA receives which is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this rulemaking.

Background

EASA, which is the Technical Agent for the Member States of the European Union, has issued EASA AD 2021–0058, dated March 1, 2021 (EASA AD 2021–0058) (also referred to as the Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information, or the MCAI), to correct an unsafe condition for certain Saab AB, Support and Services Model SAAB 340B airplanes.

This proposed AD was prompted by a report that the 2LN circuit breaker for the emergency cabin lighting on a SAAB 340B airplane tripped without fault in the system. Investigation results found that the circuit breaker 2LN has too low a rating (5A) for maximum charging conditions. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the low rating of the 2LN circuit breaker during maximum charging conditions. This condition, if not corrected, could lead to an insufficiently charged emergency battery, with consequent loss of cabin emergency lighting, possibly resulting in injury to occupants during an evacuation. See the MCAI for additional background information.

Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

EASA AD 2021–0058 describes procedures for replacing the 2LN circuit breaker having a rating of 5A with a new breaker having a current rating of 7.5A. This material is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in the ADDRESS section.

FAA’s Determination and Requirements of This Proposed AD

This product has been approved by the aviation authority of another country, and is approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to the FAA’s bilateral agreement with the State of Design Authority, the FAA has been notified of the unsafe condition described in the MCAI referenced above. The FAA is proposing this AD because the FAA evaluated all the relevant information and determined the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop in other products of the same type design.

Proposed AD Requirements

This proposed AD would require accomplishing the actions specified in EASA AD 2021–0058 described previously, as incorporated by reference, except for any differences identified as exceptions in the regulatory text of this AD.

Explanation of Required Compliance Information

In the FAA’s ongoing efforts to improve the efficiency of the AD process, the FAA developed a process to use certain civil aviation authority (CAA) ADs as the primary source of information for compliance with requirements for corresponding FAA ADs. The FAA has been coordinating this process with manufacturers and CAAs. As a result, EASA AD 2021–0058 will be incorporated by reference in the FAA final rule. This proposed AD would, therefore, require compliance with EASA AD 2021–0058 in its entirety, through that incorporation, except for any differences identified as exceptions in the regulatory text of this proposed AD. Using common terms that are the same as the heading of a particular section in EASA AD 2021–0058 does not mean that operators need comply only with that section. For example, where the AD requirement refers to ‘‘all required actions and compliance times,’’ compliance with this AD requirement is not limited to the section titled ‘‘Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s)’’ in EASA AD 2021–0058. Service information specified in EASA AD 2021–0058 that is required for compliance with it will be available at https://www.regulations.gov by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA–2021–0616 after the FAA final rule is published.
Costs of Compliance
The FAA estimates that this proposed AD affects 27 airplanes of U.S. registry.

The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this proposed AD:

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR REQUIRED ACTIONS

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Authority for This Rulemaking
Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA’s authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the Agency’s authority.

The FAA is issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: General requirements. Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

Regulatory Findings
The FAA determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify this proposed regulation:
(1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866;
(2) Would not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska; and
(3) Would not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39
Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment
Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

§ 39.13 [Amended]

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive:


(a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) by September 23, 2021.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to Saab AB, Support and Services (Formerly Known as Saab AB, Saab Aeronautics) Model SAAB 340B airplanes, certificated in any category, as identified in European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD 2021–0058, dated March 1, 2021 (EASA AD 2021–0058).

(d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 33, Lights.

(e) Reason

This AD was prompted by a report that the circuit breaker for the emergency cabin lighting tripped without fault in the system. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the low rating of the 2LN circuit breaker during maximum charging conditions. This condition, if not corrected, could lead to an insufficiently charged emergency battery, with consequent loss of cabin emergency lighting, possibly resulting in injury to occupants during an evacuation.

(f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(g) Requirements

Except as specified in paragraph (b) of this AD: Comply with all required actions and compliance times specified in, and in accordance with, EASA AD 2021–0058.

(b) Exceptions to EASA AD 2021–0058

(1) Where EASA AD 2021–0058 refers to its effective date, this AD requires using the effective date of this AD.

(2) The “Remarks” section of EASA AD 2021–0058 does not apply to this AD.

(i) Other FAA AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, Large Aircraft Section, International Validation Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the Large Aircraft Section, International Validation Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (j)(2) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: 9-AVS-730-amoc@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.

(2) Contacting the Manufacturer: For any requirement in this AD to obtain instructions from a manufacturer, the instructions must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, Large Aircraft Section, International Validation Branch, FAA; or EASA; or Saab AB, Support and Services’ EASA Design Organization Approval (DOA). If approved by the DOA, the approval must include the DOA-authorized signature.

(j) Related Information

(1) For information about EASA AD 2021–0058 contact EASA, Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; telephone +49 221 8999 000; email ADs@easa.europa.eu; internet www.easa.europa.eu. You may find this EASA AD on the EASA website at https://ad.easa.europa.eu. You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195. This material may be found in the AD docket on the internet at https://www.regulations.gov by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA–2021–0616.

(2) For more information about this AD, contact Shahram Daneshmandi, Aerospace Engineer, Large Aircraft Section,
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39


Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain The Boeing Company Model 737–200 and –200C series airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by reports of nuisance stick shaker activation while the airplane was accelerating to cruise speed at the top of a climb. Investigation revealed the cause of the activation was the angle of attack (AOA) also known as angle of airflow) sensor vanes had frozen and malfunctioned due to insufficient heat in certain AOA sensors to prevent ice buildup. This proposed AD would require inspecting the AOA sensors for certain part numbers or vane shapes, and replacing any affected AOA sensor with a new or serviceable sensor. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by September 23, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Hand Delivery: Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this NPRM, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Attention: Contractual & Data Services (C&D&S), 2600 Westminster Blvd., MC 110–SK57, Seal Beach, CA 90740–5600; telephone 562–797–1717; internet https://www.myboeingfleet.com. You may view this referenced service information at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195. It is also available at https://www.regulations.gov by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA–2021–0543.

Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket at https://www.regulations.gov by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA–2021–0543 or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this NPRM, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under ADDRESSES. Include “Docket No. FAA–2021–0543; Project Identifier AD–2021–00353–T” at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this proposal because of those comments.

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Background

The FAA has received reports of nuisance stick shaker activation while the airplane was accelerating to cruise speed at the top of a climb. Investigation revealed the cause of the activation was the AOA sensor vanes had frozen and malfunctioned due to insufficient heat in certain AOA sensors to prevent ice buildup. This condition could be caused by heavy moisture conditions on the ground, leading to water entering the AOA vane pivot and freezing prior to or during flight. It was determined that the potential for AOA vane pivot freezing exists on certain AOA sensors having part numbers used on Model 737–200 airplanes. This condition, if not addressed, could result in the AOA sensor vanes being immobilized, which could result in unreliable or inaccurate AOA sensor data being transmitted to airplane systems, and consequent loss of control of the airplane.

FAA’s Determination

The FAA is issuing this NPRM after determining that the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other products of the same type design.

Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 737–27A1324, dated