

support clips with the slat track attach fittings and trim the support clips to eliminate any interference with the attach fittings as applicable; in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Service Bulletin 737-57-1080, Revision 3, Figure 3, dated September 24, 1992; and replace any cracked or damaged aluminum attach fitting with a new, improved steel fitting in accordance with paragraph (h) of this AD.

Actions Accomplished Per Previous Issue of Service Bulletin

(j) Actions accomplished before the effective date of this AD in accordance with Boeing Service Bulletin 737-57-1080, dated September 10, 1973; Boeing Service Bulletin 737-57-1080, Revision 1, dated February 25, 1983; and Boeing Service Bulletin 737-57-1080, Revision 2, dated August 24, 1989; are considered acceptable for compliance with the corresponding actions specified in paragraph (i) of this AD.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(k)(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested in accordance with the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

(2) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair required by this AD, if it is approved by an Authorized Representative for the Boeing Delegation Option Authorization Organization who has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make those findings. For a repair method to be approved, the repair must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on April 29, 2005.

Ali Bahrami,

Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate,
Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2005-21140; Directorate Identifier 2004-NM-274-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-14, DC-9-15, and DC-9-15F Airplanes; and McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-20, DC-9-30, DC-9-40, and DC-9-50 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all transport category airplanes listed above. This proposed AD would require repetitive inspections for cracks of the main landing gear (MLG) shock strut cylinder, and related investigative and corrective actions if necessary. This proposed AD is prompted by two reports of a collapsed MLG and a report of cracks in two MLG cylinders. We are proposing this AD to detect and correct fatigue cracks in the shock strut cylinder of the MLG, which could result in a collapsed MLG during takeoff or landing, and possible reduced structural integrity of the airplane.

DATES: We must receive comments on this proposed AD by June 23, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following addresses to submit comments on this proposed AD.

- DOT Docket Web site: Go to <http://dms.dot.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- Government-wide rulemaking Web site: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590.
- By fax: (202) 493-2251.
- Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Long Beach Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Data and Service Management, Dept. C1-L5A (D800-0024).

You can examine the contents of this AD docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, or in person at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room PL-401, on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, Washington, DC. This docket number is FAA-2005-21140; the directorate identifier for this docket is 2004-NM-274-AD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wahib Mina, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe Branch, ANM-120L, FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712-4137; telephone (562) 627-5324; fax (562) 627-5210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

We invite you to submit any relevant written data, views, or arguments regarding this proposed AD. Send your comments to an address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "Docket No. FAA-2005-21140; Directorate Identifier 2004-NM-274-AD" in the subject line of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed AD. We will consider all comments submitted by the closing date and may amend the proposed AD in light of those comments.

We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact with FAA personnel concerning this proposed AD. Using the search function of that website, anyone can find and read the comments in any of our dockets, including the name of the individual who sent the comment (or signed the comment on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You can review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78), or you can visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Examining the Docket

You can examine the AD docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, or in person at the Docket Management Facility office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Management Facility office (telephone (800) 647-5227) is located on the plaza level of the Nassif Building at the DOT street address stated in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after the DMS receives them.

Discussion

We have received a report of two incidents of a collapsed main landing gear (MLG) on one McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-32 airplane and one Model DC-9-31 airplane. These incidents happened when the MLG cylinder cracked and failed. The cracks and failures were caused by fatigue stresses from inclusions in high-stress areas, which caused sub-surface fatigue cracks to propagate to the surface of the MLG cylinder. After the two failures, the airplane operator started an inspection program and found cracks in two additional cylinders before the cracks

grew large enough to cause an MLG failure. These additional cracks were found on one McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-14 airplane and one Model DC-9-15 airplane. Laboratory testing and failure analysis confirmed that inclusions and sub-surface fatigue cracks were present in all four cases, at the same location. This condition, if not corrected, could result in a collapsed MLG during takeoff or landing, and possible reduced structural integrity of the airplane.

Relevant Service Information

We have reviewed Boeing Alert Service Bulletin DC9-32A350, dated December 3, 2004. The service bulletin

gives procedures for verifying the number of landings on the MLG shock strut cylinder by examining each airplane's service history. For airplanes that have less than 60,000 landings on the MLG, the service bulletin states that no further action is required until the MLG reaches the 60,000-landing threshold.

The service bulletin also gives procedures for reviewing the maintenance records to determine if the MLG shock strut cylinders on airplanes identified in the service bulletin as Group 3 have always been on Group 3 airplanes.

The service bulletin gives two inspection options:

- Option 1: Fluorescent dye penetrant inspection combined with fluorescent magnetic particle inspection.
- Option 2: Phased array ultrasonic inspection.

For MLG shock strut cylinders on which no crack indication is found, the service bulletin gives procedures for repeating the inspections.

For MLG shock strut cylinders on which any crack indication is found during any inspection, the service bulletin recommends related investigative and corrective actions. The related investigative and corrective actions vary according to the inspection option and are described in the table below.

RELATED INVESTIGATIVE AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS FOR CRACK INDICATIONS

	Inspect to confirm crack indication—	If crack indication confirmed—	If crack indication not confirmed—
Option 1	Remove the cadmium plating and repeat the Option 1 inspection to confirm the crack.	Replace the shock strut cylinder and repeat either the Option 1 or Option 2 inspection at the applicable interval indicated in the service bulletin.	Apply the primer and topcoat, and repeat either the Option 1 or Option 2 inspection at the applicable interval indicated in the service bulletin.
Option 2	Remove the primer and topcoat and repeat the Option 2 inspection to confirm the crack.	Remove the cadmium plating and repeat the Option 2 inspection to re-confirm the crack indication. If the crack indication is re-confirmed, replace the shock strut cylinder and repeat either the Option 1 or Option 2 inspection at the applicable interval indicated in the service bulletin	Apply the primer and topcoat and repeat either the Option 1 or Option 2 inspection at the applicable interval indicated in the service bulletin.

Accomplishing the actions specified in the service information is intended to adequately address the unsafe condition.

FAA's Determination and Requirements of the Proposed AD

We have evaluated all pertinent information and identified an unsafe

condition that is likely to exist or develop on other airplanes of this same type design. Therefore, we are proposing this AD, which would require accomplishing the actions specified in the service bulletin described previously.

Costs of Compliance

There are about 644 airplanes of the affected design in the worldwide fleet. The following table provides the estimated costs for U.S. operators to comply with this proposed AD.

ESTIMATED COSTS

Action	Work hours	Average labor rate per hour	Parts	Cost per airplane	Number of U.S.-registered airplanes	Fleet cost
Inspection, per inspection cycle	4 to 6	\$65	None	\$260 to 390	426	\$110,760 to \$166,140, per inspection cycle.

Explanation of Change to Applicability

We have specified model designations in the applicability of this proposed AD as published in the most recent type certificate data sheet for the affected models. These model designations do not include the DC-9-10 and DC-9-33, which are listed in paragraph 1.A. "Effectivity," of the referenced service bulletin.

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.

We are 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

We have 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 that the proposed regulation:

- 1. Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866;
- 2. Is not a “significant rule” under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and
- 3. Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

We prepared a regulatory evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this proposed AD. See the ADDRESSES section for a location to examine the regulatory evaluation.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, 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

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 (AD):

McDonnell Douglas: Docket No. FAA–2005–21140; Directorate Identifier 2004–NM–274–AD.

Comments Due Date

(a) The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) must receive comments on this AD action by June 23, 2005.

Affected ADs

(b) None.

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to all McDonnell Douglas Model DC–9–14, DC–9–15, and DC–9–15F airplanes; Model DC–9–21 airplanes; Model DC–9–31, DC–9–32, DC–9–32 (VC–9C), DC–9–32F, DC–9–33F, DC–9–34, DC–9–34F, and DC–9–32F (C–9A, C–9B) airplanes; Model DC–9–41 airplanes; and Model DC–9–51 airplanes; certificated in any category.

Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD was prompted by two reports of a collapsed main landing gear (MLG) and a report of cracks in two MLG cylinders. We are issuing this AD to detect and correct fatigue cracks in the shock strut cylinder of the MLG, which could result in a collapsed MLG during takeoff or landing, and possible reduced structural integrity of the airplane.

Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within

the compliance times specified, unless the actions have already been done.

Service Bulletin Reference Paragraph

(f) The term “service bulletin,” as used in this AD, means the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Alert Service Bulletin DC9–32A350, dated December 3, 2004.

Records Review

(g) Before the applicable compliance time specified in paragraph (h) or Table 1 of this AD, as applicable, do the applicable actions in paragraphs (g)(1) and (g)(2) of this AD.

(1) For all airplane groups: Review the airplane maintenance records of the MLG to determine its service history and the number of landings on the MLG shock strut cylinder.

(2) For Group 3 airplanes identified in the service bulletin: Review the maintenance records to determine if the MLG cylinder on each Group 3 airplane has always been on a Group 3 airplane, and do the actions in paragraph (k) of this AD.

Inspection

(h) Inspect the MLG shock strut cylinders for cracks using the Option 1 or Option 2 non-destructive testing inspection described in the service bulletin. Inspect in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of the service bulletin. Do the detailed inspection before the accumulation of 60,000 total landings on the MLG, or at the applicable grace period specified in Table 1 of this AD, whichever occurs later, except as provided by paragraph (k) of this AD. If the review of maintenance records is not sufficient to conclusively determine the service history and number of landings on the MLG shock strut cylinder, perform the initial inspection at the applicable grace period specified in Table 1 of this AD.

TABLE 1.—GRACE PERIOD AND REPETITIVE INTERVAL

Airplanes identified in the service bulletin as group	Grace period	Repetitive interval
1	Within 18 months or 650 landings after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.	Intervals not to exceed 650 landings.
2	Within 18 months or 500 landings after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.	Intervals not to exceed 500 landings.
3, except as provided by paragraph (k) of this AD.	Within 18 months or 2,500 landings after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.	Intervals not to exceed 2,500 landings.
4	Within 18 months or 2,100 landings after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.	Intervals not to exceed 2,100 landings.

No Crack Indication Found

(i) If no crack indication is found during the inspection required by paragraph (h) of this AD, repeat the inspection at the applicable interval specified in Table 1 of this AD.

Related Investigative and Corrective Actions

(j) If any crack indication is found during any inspection required by paragraph (h) or (i) of this AD, before further flight: Confirm the crack indication by doing all applicable related investigative actions and doing the

applicable corrective actions in accordance with the service bulletin. Repeat the inspection at the applicable threshold and interval specified in paragraph (h) of this AD.

MLG Cylinder Previously Installed on Group 4 Airplanes

(k) For MLG cylinders on Group 3 airplanes as identified in the service bulletin: If the MLG cylinder was previously installed on a Group 4 airplane, as identified in the service bulletin, or if the service history and number of landings cannot be determined,

the MLG cylinder must be inspected at the grace period and repetitive interval that applies to Group 4 airplanes, as specified in Table 1 of this AD.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(l) The Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested in accordance with the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on April 29, 2005.

Ali Bahrami,

Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate,
Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2005-20111; Directorate
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RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Model HS.125 Series 700A Airplanes, Model BAe.125 Series 800A Airplanes, and Model Hawker 800 and Hawker 800XP Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration (FAA), Department of
Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Supplemental notice of
proposed rulemaking (NPRM);
reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The FAA is revising an earlier proposed airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Raytheon Model HS.125 series 700A airplanes, BAe.125 Series 800A airplanes, and Model Hawker 800 and Hawker 800XP airplanes. The original NPRM would have required an inspection to determine the current rating of the circuit breakers of certain cockpit ventilation and avionics cooling system blowers; and replacing the circuit breakers and modifying the blower wiring, as applicable. The original NPRM was prompted by a report indicating that a blower motor seized up and gave off smoke. This action revises the original NPRM by clarifying the compliance time and removing a reporting requirement. We are proposing this supplemental NPRM to prevent smoke and fumes in the cockpit in the event that a blower motor seizes and overheats due to excessive current draw.

DATES: We must receive comments on this supplemental NPRM by June 3, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following addresses to submit comments on this supplemental NPRM.

- DOT Docket Web site: Go to <http://dms.dot.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
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- Fax: (202) 493-2251.

- Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact Raytheon Aircraft Company, Department 62, P.O. Box 85, Wichita, Kansas 67201-0085.

You can examine the contents of this AD docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, or in person at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street SW., room PL-401, on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, Washington, DC. This docket number is FAA-2005-20111; the directorate identifier for this docket is 2004-NM-154-AD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Philip Petty, Aerospace Engineer, Electrical Systems and Avionics Branch, ACE-119W, FAA, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office, 1801 Airport Road, room 100, Mid Continent Airport, Wichita, Kansas 67209; telephone (316) 946-4139; fax (316) 946-4107.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

We invite you to submit any relevant written data, views, or arguments regarding this supplemental NPRM. Send your comments to an address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "Docket No. FAA-2005-20111; Directorate Identifier 2004-NM-154-AD" at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this supplemental NPRM. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this supplemental NPRM in light of those comments.

We will post all comments submitted, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact with FAA personnel concerning this supplemental NPRM. Using the search function of our docket web site, anyone can find and read the comments in any of our dockets, including the name of the individual who sent the comment (or signed the comment on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You can review the DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the

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Discussion

We proposed to amend 14 CFR part 39 with a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for an AD (the "original NPRM") for certain Raytheon Model HS.125 series 700A airplanes, Model BAe.125 series 800A airplanes, and Model Hawker 800 and Hawker 800XP airplanes. The original NPRM was published in the **Federal Register** on January 24, 2005 (70 FR 3318). The original NPRM proposed to require an inspection to determine the current rating of the circuit breakers of certain cockpit ventilation and avionics cooling system blowers; and replacing the circuit breakers and modifying the blower wiring, as applicable.

Actions Since Original NPRM was Issued

Since we issued the original NPRM, we discovered an important inconsistency in the phrasing of the compliance time. Certain wording in paragraph (f) of the original NPRM reads "* * * and avionics cooling system blowers; and replace the circuit breakers * * *" To ensure that the unsafe condition is corrected in a timely manner, we have revised the wording in paragraph (f) of this supplemental NPRM to read "* * * and avionics cooling system blowers; and, before further flight, replace the circuit breakers * * *".

We have also determined that the phrasing of paragraph (f) would have placed undue hardship on operators by requiring reporting of compliance with the service bulletin. We do not need this information and have revised paragraph (f) and added a new paragraph (h) to explicitly remove the reporting requirement in this supplemental NPRM. Because of the new paragraph (h), we have reidentified the existing paragraph (h) of the original NPRM as paragraph (i) in this supplemental NPRM.