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**I.4 TECHNICAL DATA**Wing

Airfoil Wortmann FX S02 196 (inner wing)  
FX 60 -126 (wingtip)

Span	b	= 17,00 m	= 55,70 ft
Area	F	= 17,95 m <sup>2</sup>	= 192,96 sqft
Aspect ratio		= 16,1	
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Angle of incidence at root = +2°  
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Ailerons

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Fuselage

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Lower chord = 1,17 m = 3,84 ft  
 Airfoil Wortmann FX 71-L-150/30.

Rudder

33 % of vertical tail unit chord  
 Area = 0,45 m<sup>2</sup> = 4,86 sqft  
 Chord (middle) = 0,33 m = 1,08 ft

Horizontal tail unit

Span = 3,1 m = 10,16 ft  
 Area = 1,92 m<sup>2</sup> = 20,64 sqft  
 Aspect ratio = 5,05

Elevator

Area = 0,576m<sup>2</sup> = 6,19 sqft  
 30,1 % of horizontal tail unit chord

Airbrakes

Schempp-Hirth type, on upper wing only.  
 Area = 0,35 m<sup>2</sup> = 3,77 sqft  
 Span = 1,35 m = 4,43 ft  
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Weights

Max all up weight = 600 daN = 1320 lbs  
 Empty weight, app. = 370 daN = 814 lbs  
 Weight of non lift  
 producing parts = 410 daN = 902 lbs  
 Max wing loading = 33,4 daNm<sup>2</sup> = 6,84 lbssqft  
 Max load of occupants, luggage, etc. :  
 see load table in the Flight Manual.

II. DESCRIPTION OF AIRCRAFT AND COMPONENTS

Aircraft

The ASK 21 is a two-seater midwing with T-tail, airbrakes, fixed shock absorbing main wheel and a nose wheel. The structure is made in a highly developed fiberglass technology. On certain critical areas carbon fibers are used.

Wing

Double T spar made of fiberglass roving flanges and fiberglass cloth webs. The skin consists of a 9mm Conticell core with fiberglass on both sides.

Easy wing assembly by tongue and fork connection, fixed by two 36ø bolts. Two shear bolts at the fuselage which fit the bushings in the wing center rib, absorb the shear loads to the fuselage. The rear shear bolts are secured by an automatic safety device.

Fuselage

The fuselage is designed as a honeycomb (tubus core) construction throughout which means considerable increase of strength compared to non sandwich shells.

2-piece canopy, forward hinged in front and rearward hinged in back; adjustable back rests.

Tailplane

T-tail consisting of the same construction as the wing.

Control Surfaces

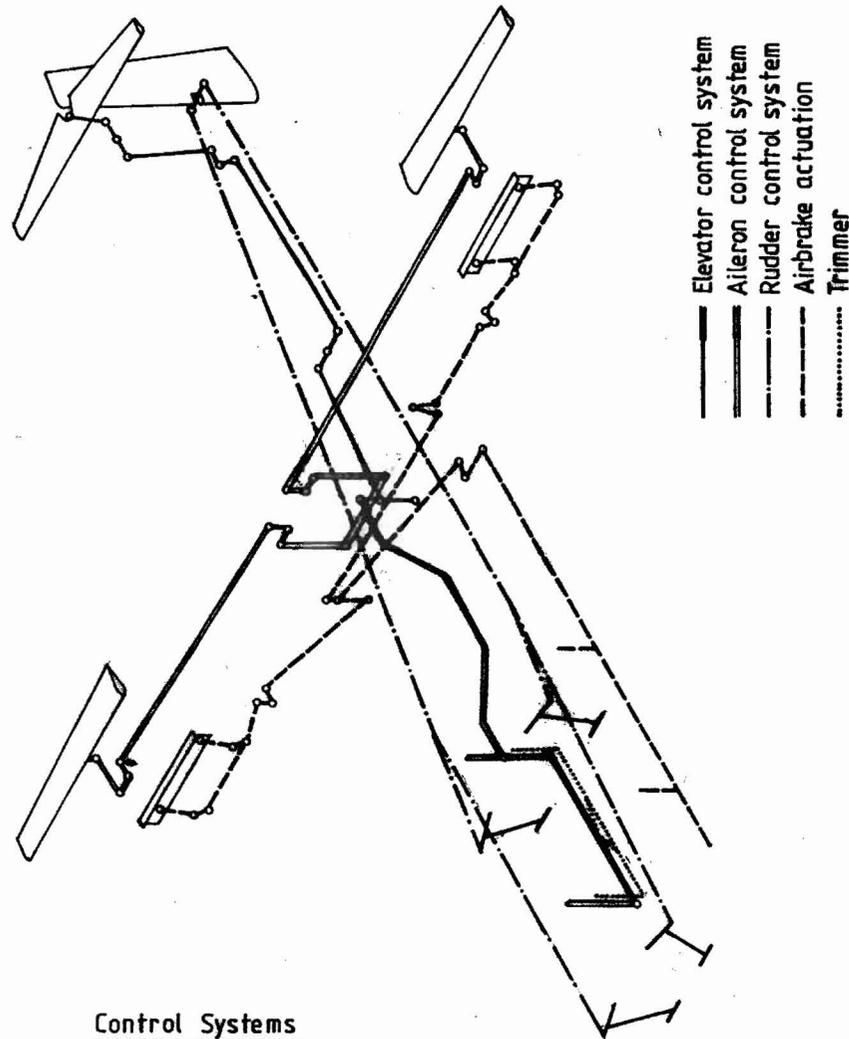
Sandwich construction with Rohacell foam core.

III. DESCRIPTION OF A/C ASSEMBLY & EQUIPMENT

III.1 CONTROL SYSTEMS

General

Except for the rudder which is operated by cables ,

Control Systems

the whole control system is actuated by pushrods. The long pushrods are 16 Ø x 1,0 mm aluminium with ball bearing supports. The cockpit controls and the shorter pushrods are welded steel. The control system levers are milled duraluminium or welded steel.

#### Elevator control system

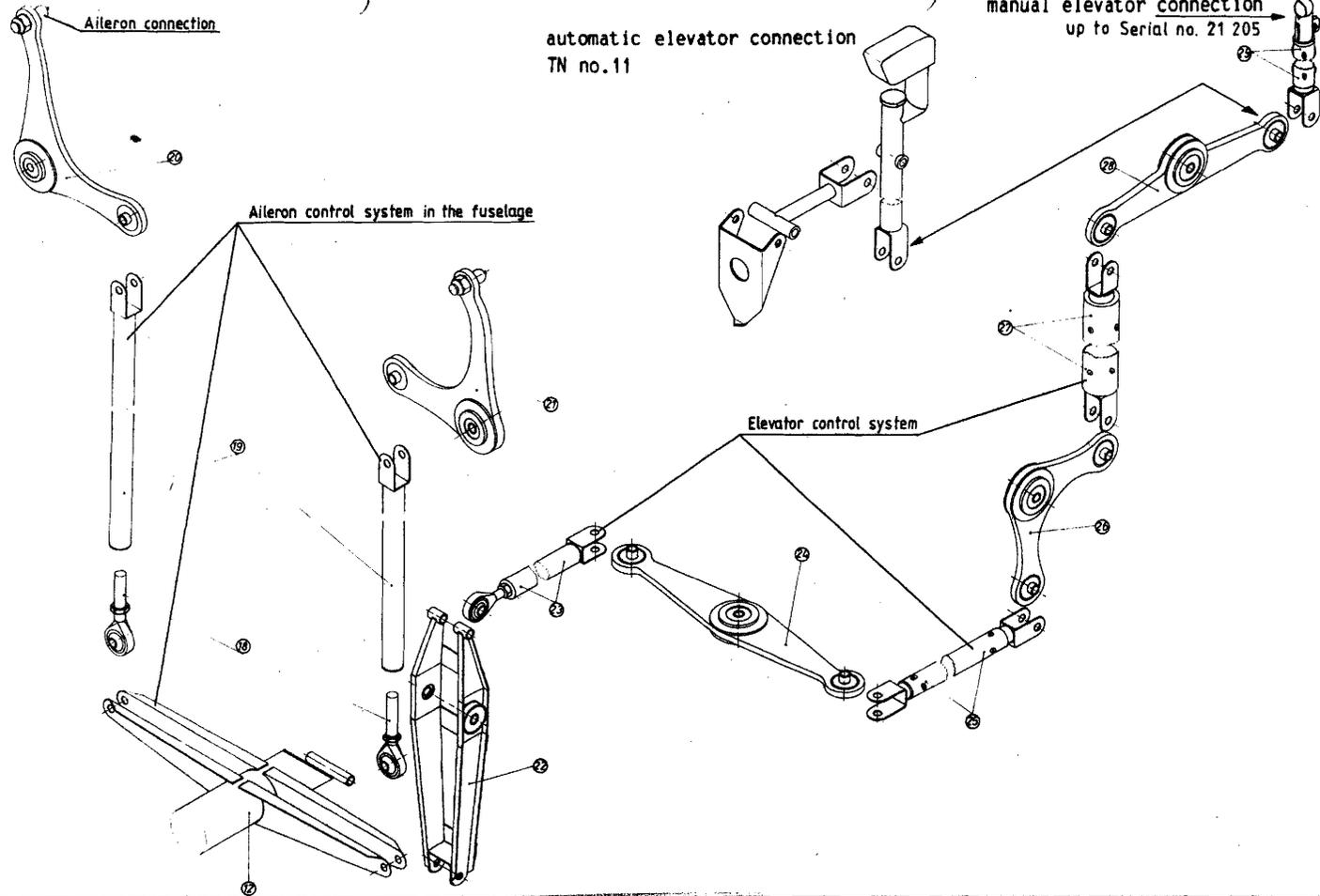
Both control sticks are built as 2-armed levers and feature universal joints. The control sticks are linked together by a main steel tube torsion rod at the bottom. This torsion rod features at its front and rear end an adjustable stop for both control sticks. Another bent steel tube torsion rod leads from the rear control stick to a combined elevator/aileron rocker arm. From there a short aluminium pushrod leads to a 180° duraluminium bellcrank which is linked up by a long aluminium pushrod which runs through 4 support bearings; the support bearings consist of a fiberglass bracket with 3 ball bearings. Via a 90° duraluminium bellcrank, the control forces are lead upwards into the fin using a fiberglass plastic pushrod. Here connects a 180° duraluminium bellcrank to a short aluminium pushrod which in turn connects to a M12.41/HOTELLIER Joint which operates the elevator.

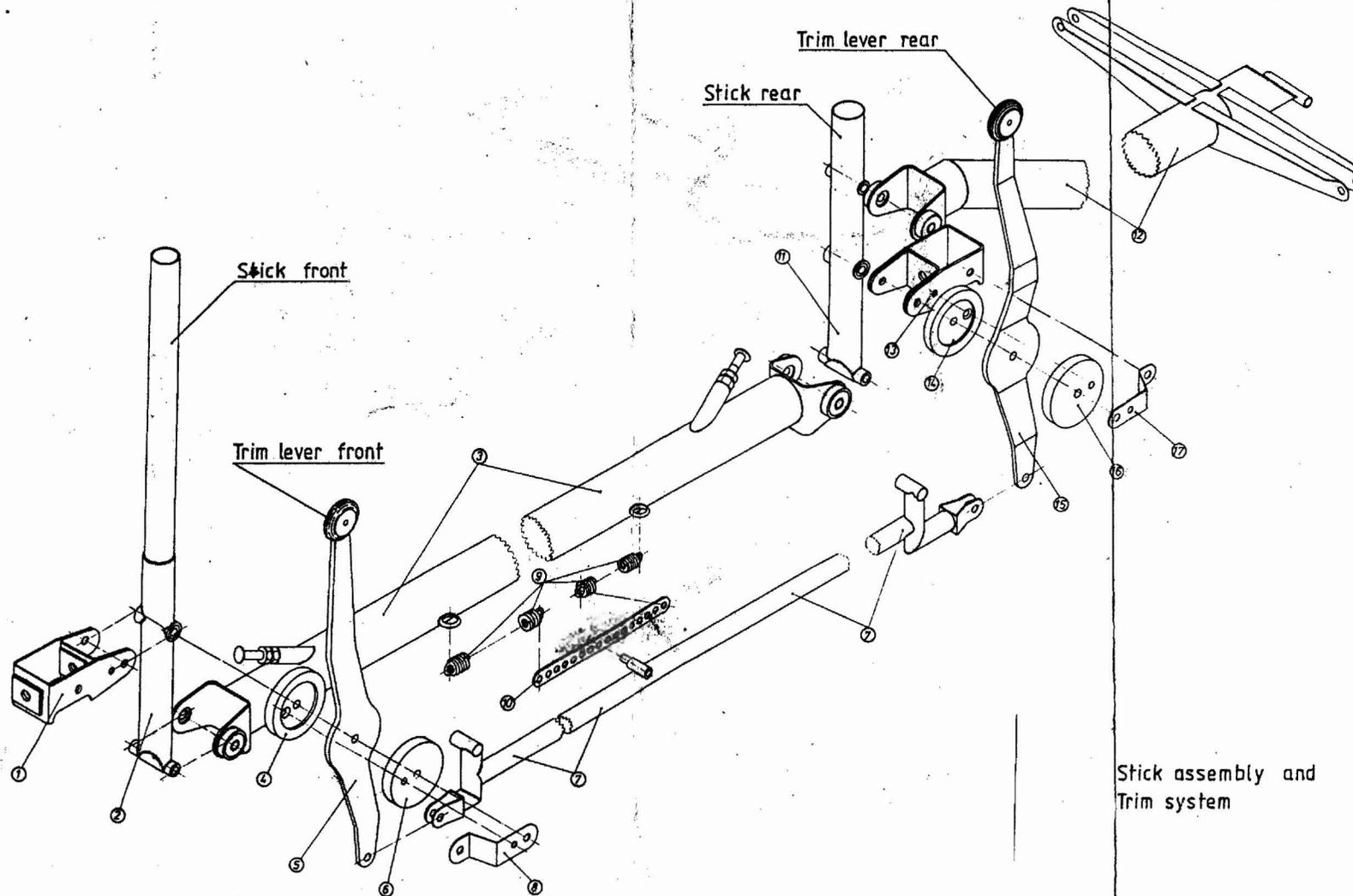
#### Elevator with automatic connection:

Instead of the aluminium pushrod, an actuating pushrod is installed, which is supported with a parallel rocker.

#### Trim

The trim is spring suspended and consists of 2 trim levers, 1 connecting pushrod and the 2 trim springs with slotted gate sheet metal. The trim levers are connected to the control sticks with a knurled nut at the control stick bearing bolt. A friction brake is tightened with this knurled nut at the control stick





Stick assembly and  
Trim system

bearing bolt. The braking force should be distributed evenly between the front and rear brake. The brake should be tightened so strong that even with extremely opposed positions of stick and trim lever, the trim will not move. The trim connecting pushrod features a stop at its front and rear end. The springs with the adjusting plate between them, are suspended into the 2 rings of the front control shaft. The adjusting plate itself is mounted to the bolt of the trim connecting pushrod; here the trim may be adjusted.

The trim should be adjusted such that with 1 pilot and the trim set full forward, a trimmed speed of 150-160 km/h (81-86,3 kts; 93,2-99,4 mph) is reached; then the trim lever is in a slightly forward position when the stick is free and in its center position (elevator connected).

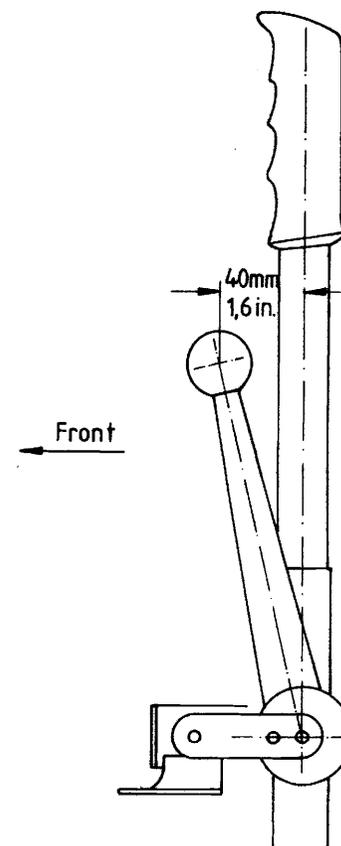
To adjust the trim roughly to a trimmed speed of max. 160 km/h (86,3 kts; 99,4 mph):

1. Connect elevator.  
(This is inapplicable when your glider features the automatic elevator connection).
2. Adjust the trim spring such that the stick is set to the above-mentioned relative position to the trim lever. Friction must be balanced by "feeling for" the center position.

#### Trim indicator

In addition to the visible position of the trim lever itself, the trim features a trim indicator. The trim indication should be in the center position when the trim lever is vertical to the glider's longitudinal axis. It can be adjusted by opening the clamp at the trim connecting pushrod and by displacing the Bowden cable. Then retighten the clamp.

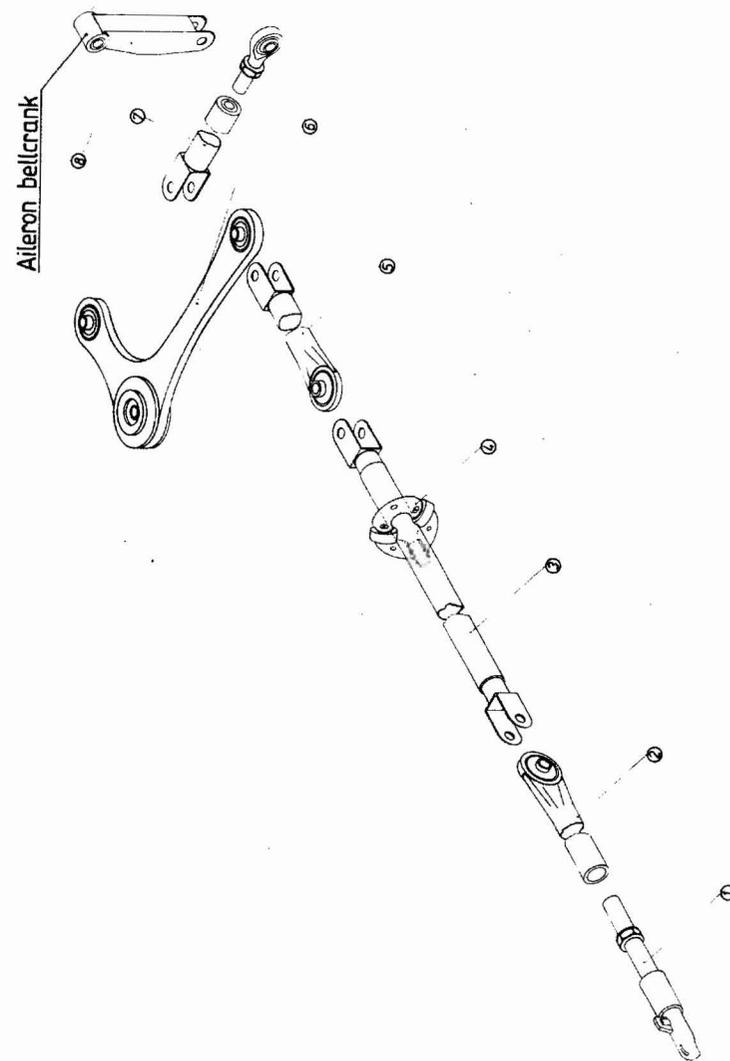
#### Trim Basic Adjustment



Aileron control system

A short aluminum pushrod leads from the horizontal aileron control system lever at the rear elevator/ aileron control system torsion rod upwards to a 90° duraluminum bellcrank in the fuselage. By a HOTEILLIER joint (M12.41) follows from here the long aluminum pushrod in the wing. This pushrod is supported altogether seven times in each three ball bearings. For the compensation of the bellcrank travels short steel-tube pushrods are articulated by ball bearings (14C6) at both ends of the long pushrod. The inner short pushrod features the HOTEILLIER connection with the adjusting screw. At the 90° duraluminum bellcrank the aileron pushrod actuates the aileron through a HIRSCHMANN-UNIBAL adjustable head (SMx CP6).

The stops for the aileron are positioned in the pushrod box in front of the rear stick. These are two plywood blocks glued into the pushrod box and cut out such that they stop laterally the travel of the front torsion shaft.

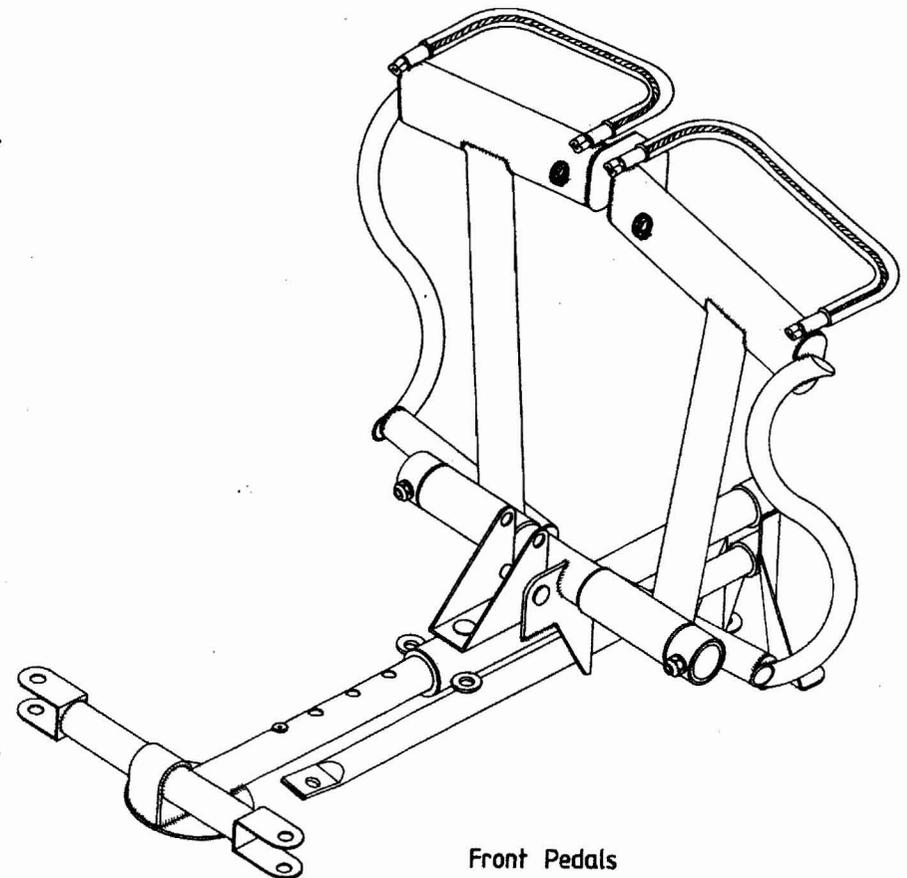


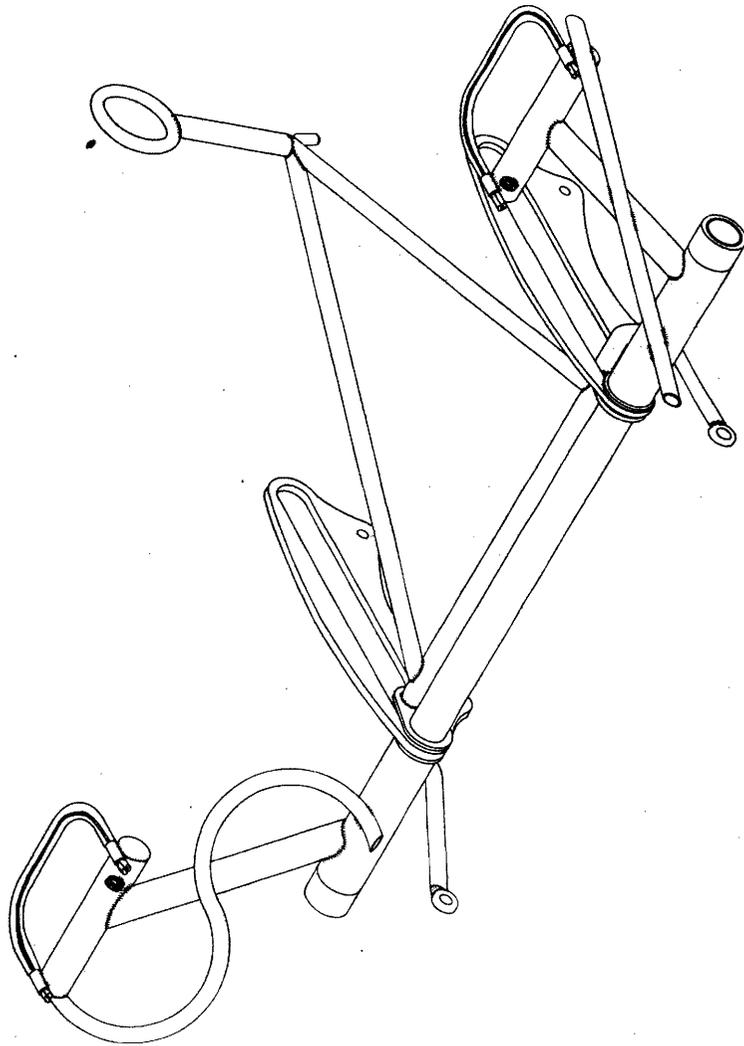
Aileron control system in the wing

Rudder control system

The rudder is actuated by cable (3,2Ø LN 9374). Both front and rear pedals are adjustable. The rudder cables are running from a fixed point through S-type pedal loops to an adjusting plate in the rear cockpit. Here are joined together the cables from the front and rear pedals. From the adjusting plate the cables run through nylon tubes to the rudder-actuating lever.

At the adjusting plate slight inaccuracies in the cable length may be adjusted and also the pedal inclination. The cables are held taut by springs at the pedals; at the rear pedals this spring serves simultaneously for holding down the adjusting stop. For the adjustment of the cables at the adjustment plate the rear seat must be removed. The stop for the rudder is located in the back of the rudder. The rudder lever strikes a stop at the bearing bracket.





Rear Pedals

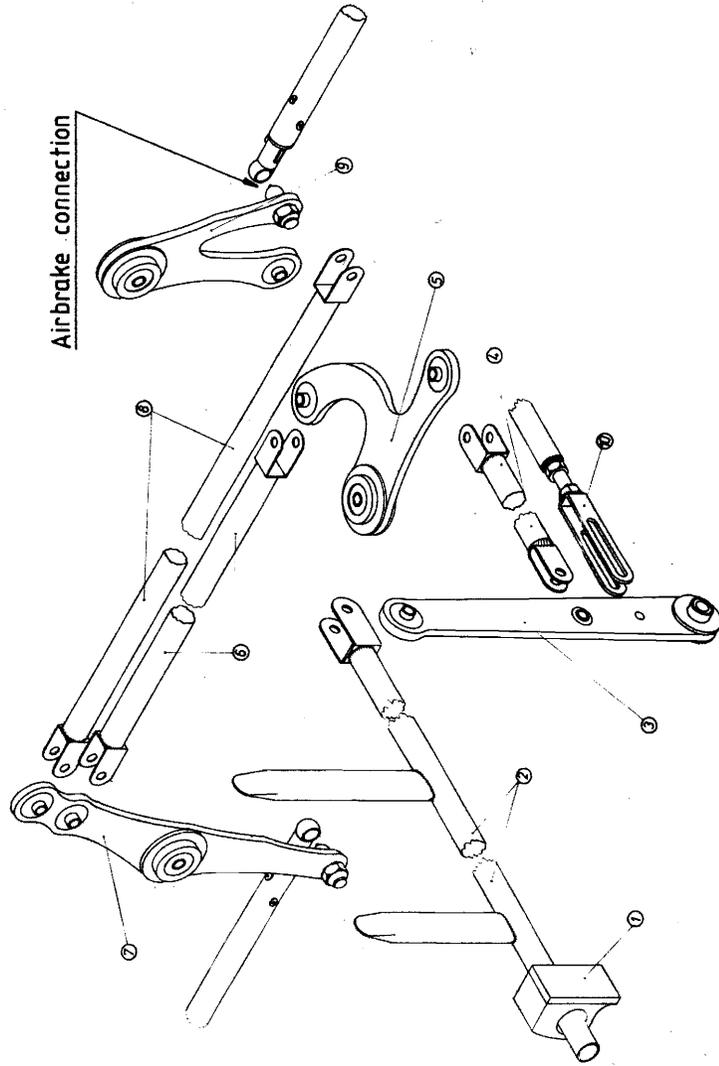
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The airbrakes are actuated by pushrods. On the left cockpit wall runs a connecting rod with a handle each for the front and rear cockpit. In the front cockpit the rod is running in a nylon guide, in the rear cockpit it is supported by a duraluminum rocker arm. From this arm another pushrod - placed under the arm - continues to a 90° duraluminum bellcrank and runs below the rear spar tunnel wall.

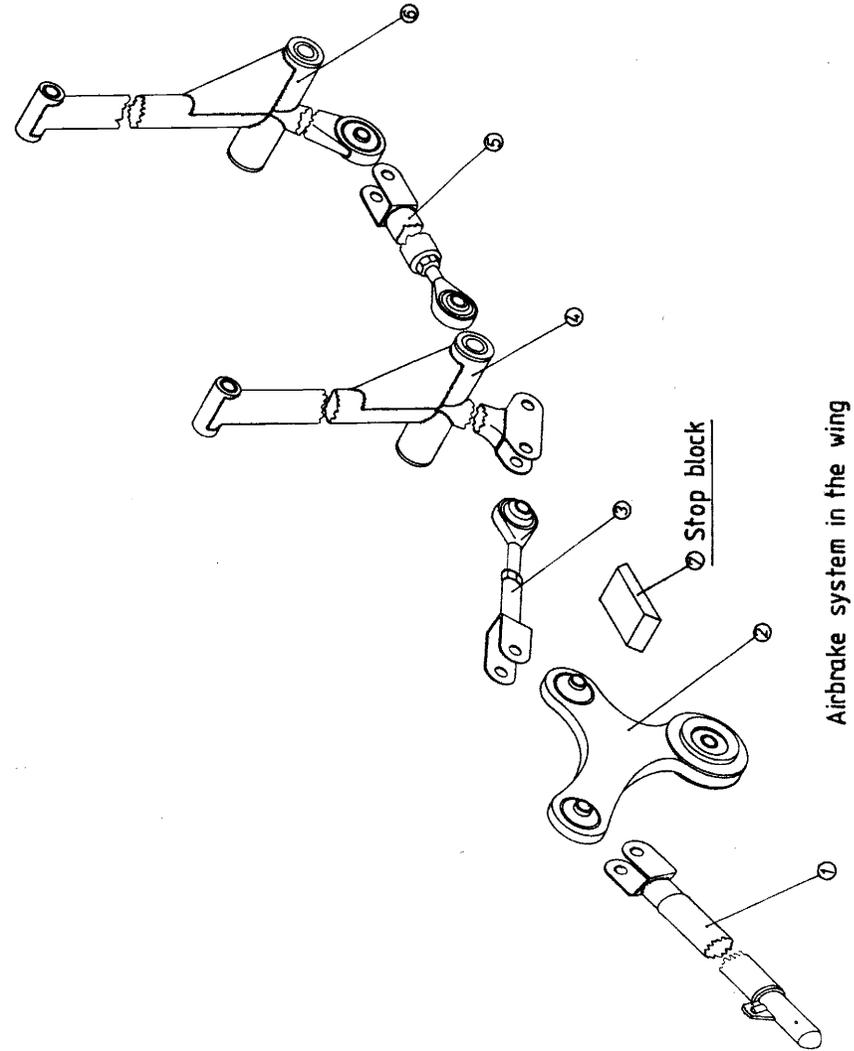
The back of the spar tunnel wall features two rocker arms and the pushrod which produces the counterclockwise travel of the actuating levers. By a HOTELLIER joint (M12.41) the pushrods in the wing are connected to the actuating levers. They run through three ball bearing guides and lead to the airbrake toggle joint lever.

A short pushrod leads to the inner airbrake lever which on the other hand is connected to the outer airbrake lever by a pushrod so that synchronous movement is guaranteed.

Stop of the airbrake control: Brake cylinder.



Airbrake system in the fuselage



Airbrake system in the wing

III.2 LANDING GEAR

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Brake: Cleveland brake assy 30-9.  
 Main brake cylinder: Master cylinder 10-20.  
 Tank for brake fluid: Below rear seat pan on LH side.  
 Main wheel: Tire with tube 5.00-5, 6ply rating.  
 Nose wheel: Tire with tube 4.00-4, 4ply rating.

Tire pressure

Main wheel 2,7 bar = 38 psi.  
 Nose wheel 2,0 bar = 28 psi.

To fill up the brake

Brake fluid: ESSO UNIVIS J-13 or  
 AEROSHELL FLUID 4 !

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You absolutely have to observe that only brake fluid on a mineral oil basis is used. Car brake fluid on ester basis will destroy gaskets and tubes in a very short time.

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FOR TAILWHEEL OPTION ONLY

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 Tail wheel: Tire with tube 210 x 65.

Tire pressure

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 Tail wheel 2,5 bar = 35 psi.

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Filling up the brake

Brake fluid must be filled up from bottom to top in order to avoid air bubbles. For a simple fill up device you need instrument flexible tubing of about 2 m length (=6,56 ft) and a funnel filled with approx. 1/4 l of brake fluid at the upper end. The brake cylinder uses a fill up nipple at its bottom. The lower end of the hose must be slipped onto the nipple. When loosening the hexagonal head screw by one turn, a valve opens the nipple.

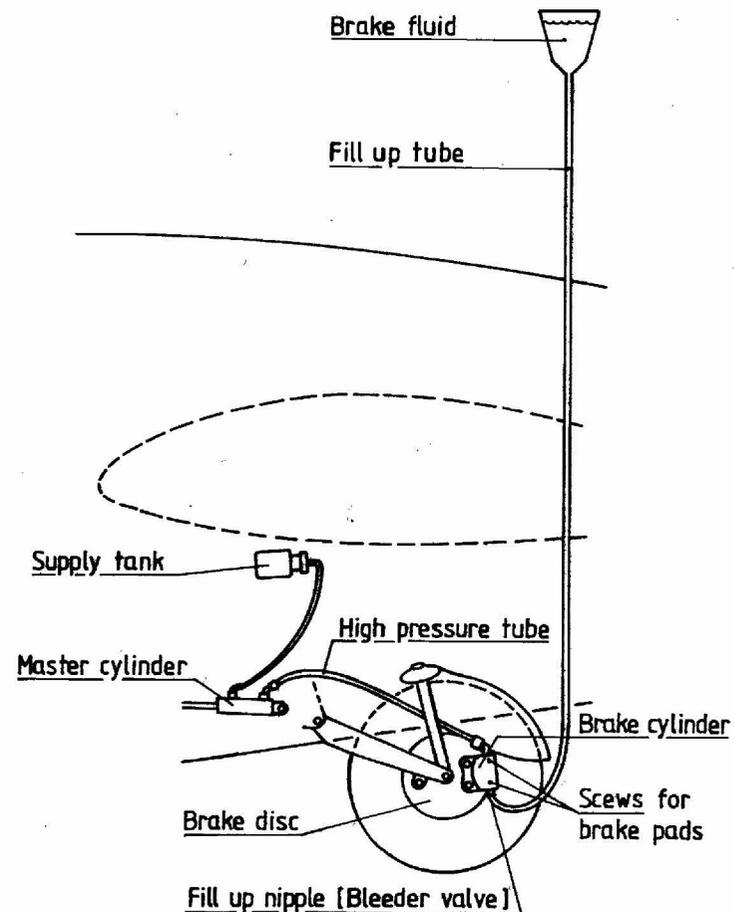
Hold up the funnel as high as possible so that the brake fluid may run in with pressure. You absolutely have to take care that no air bubbles get into the system. Therefore, always sufficient fluid must be also in the funnel. Fill up until the fluid in the storage tank stands at 2/3. Now retighten the nipple and remove the fill up device. Reattach the dust shield cap!

For the refilling of brake fluid the small plastic tank is taken out of its support. Open it and refill the brake fluid!

If the brake system has been emptied already to such an extent that air has penetrated between master cylinder and operating cylinder, filling up must be done again from bottom to top.

Air in the brake system will cause an extension of the actuating travel at the airbrake lever. In consideration of the flexibility of the flexible pipes etc. one may assume that there is no air in the system, if the flexible travel does not exceed 50 mm = 1,97 in for an actuating force of 20 kg = 44 lbs at the airbrake lever.

Brake System



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### Inspection and Replacement of Brake Linings

#### Minimum thickness of brake linings and brake disc:

The linings must be renewed at the minimum residual thickness of 2.54 mm = 0.10 in !

The brake disc must be renewed at the minimum residual thickness of 4.242 mm = 0.167 in !

Reference: WHEEL and BRAKE ASSEMBLIES CATALOG, Component Maintenance Manual, Appendix A, Fits and Clearances, A-1. Brake Lining Wear Limits, A-2. Brake Disc Minimum Thickness, from Messrs. Parker Hannifin Corporation, Avon, OH. USA.

1. Remove wheel fairing.
2. Loosen the two 1/4" screws which are safetied by wire. Do not unscrew the brake line hose!
3. Take out the brake shoes with linings. The linings must be renewed before they have been worn down as far as the rivets as otherwise the brake disc will be damaged and the braking effectiveness unacceptably reduced. To rivet the new linings in place it is best to use a riveting tool designed for the purpose. Alternatively, however, a hammer, centerpunch, and round punch of not less than  $\phi$  6 mm at the tip may be used.
4. Now replace brake shoes and tighten the two 1/4" screws and secure them with locking wire.
5. Remount wheel fairing.  
Brake linings and rivets to suit can be obtained from Messrs. Schleicher. Orders must specify brake linings suitable for the Cleveland 30-9 brake assy.

#### Tail Skid

Watch the wear of the tail skid metal plate and either reinforce it in time by welding on sheet metal, or replace it by a new one. Remove the tail skid plate for the welding job.

The rubber tail skid is designed so that it will shear away from the fuselage with strong lateral forces. It may be glued on again or be repaired using contact glue (Pattex). You must apply plasticised fabric adhesive tape over the gap (glue joint) between skid and fuselage in order to prevent long grass from being caught.

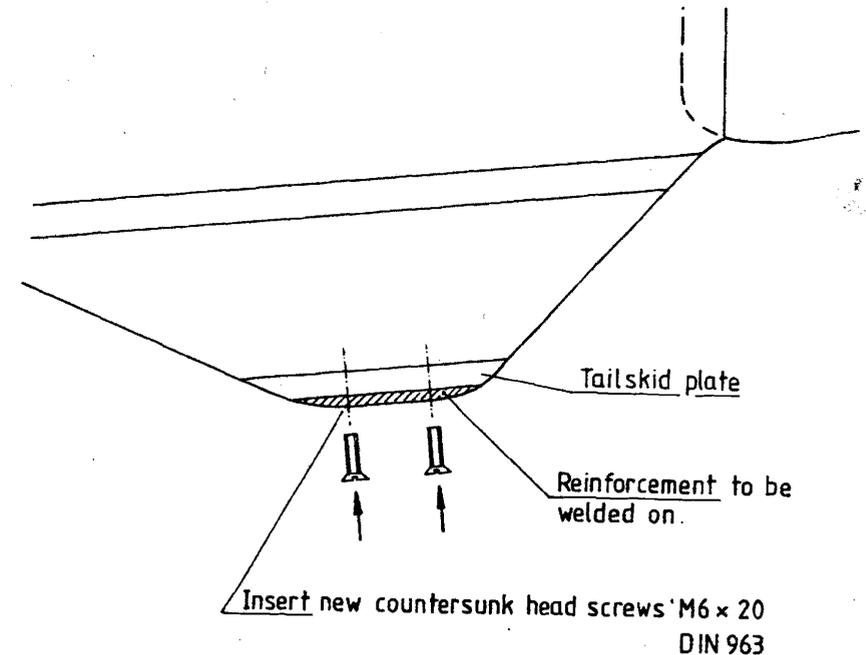
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### Tailskid

Check wear and either reinforce in time the tail plate by welding on sheet steel or replace it by a new one. Remove the tailskid plate for the welding job.

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### Reinforcement of the tailskid plate



III.3. Radio Equipment

The front instrument panel is provided for the installation of the radio. For installing the radio the mounting accessories and cable harness supplied by the radio manufacturer should be used. Regarding the layout of the instrument panel you have to consider that the radio must be clearly visible and easily accessible to the pilot in the flying position.

As to the clear visibility, however, priority must be given to the flight control instruments. A suggestion for instruments layout is given on the drawing for the instrument panels.

The Becker radio may be installed both horizontally or vertically.

The loudspeaker may be fitted below the rear instrument panel cover on the LH side.

The swan neck (boom) microphone is mounted on the RH cockpit wall. A support for a dryfit battery (12V, 6.4Ah) is provided in the baggage compartment of the left wingroot.

III.4 Oxygen Equipment

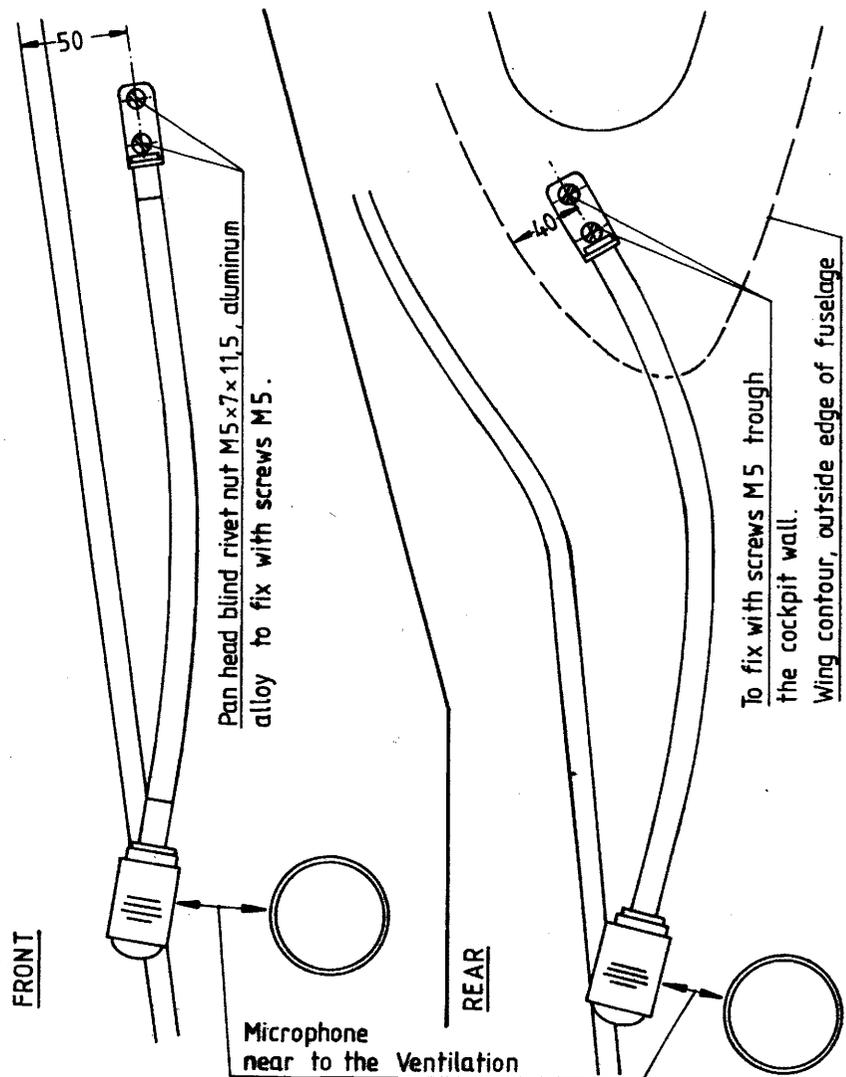
Suitable bottle fixing brackets for two 4 liter oxygen bottles of dia. 100 mm are available as an optional accessory from Messrs. SCHLEICHER.

When fitting the oxygen bottle(s), ensure that it is properly installed and securely anchored.

**NOTE:** Fitting of oxygen equipment causes only a minimal change in the empty-mass C.G. position! However, it is necessary to re-weigh the glider and re-determine the empty mass C.G.

When flying at greater heights while using the oxygen system, it should be borne in mind that any particular system may only be suitable for a limited altitude range. The makers' instructions should be complied with.

Installation of boom microphones on the RH cockpit wall



III.5 PRESSURE PORTS & CONNECTIONS FOR THE INSTRUMENTS

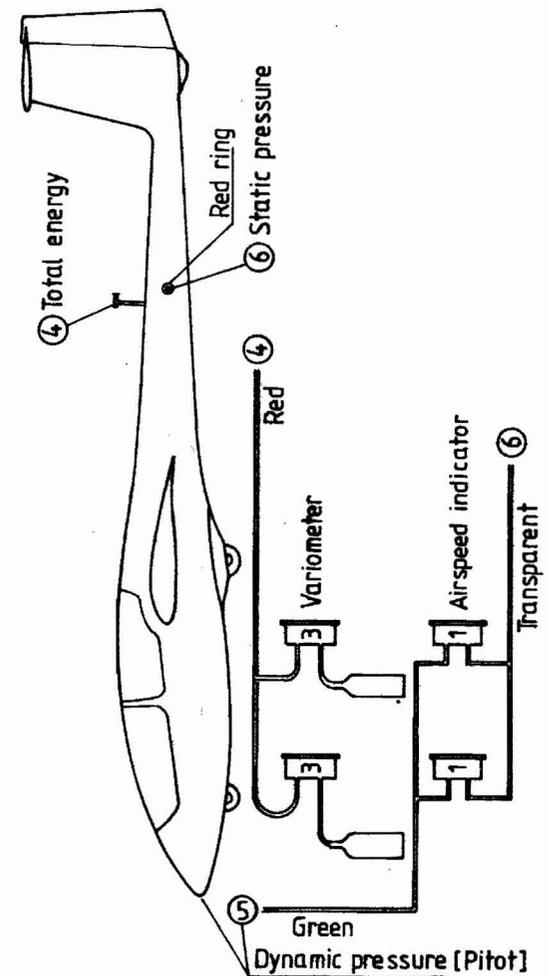
(see drawing on page )

- ① Airspeed indicator: total pressure.
- ② Altimeter: static pressure or without any connection.
- ③ Variometer
- ④ Total energy probe
- ⑤ Dynamic pressure (pitot tube)
- ⑥ Static pressure

Colors of flexible tubing

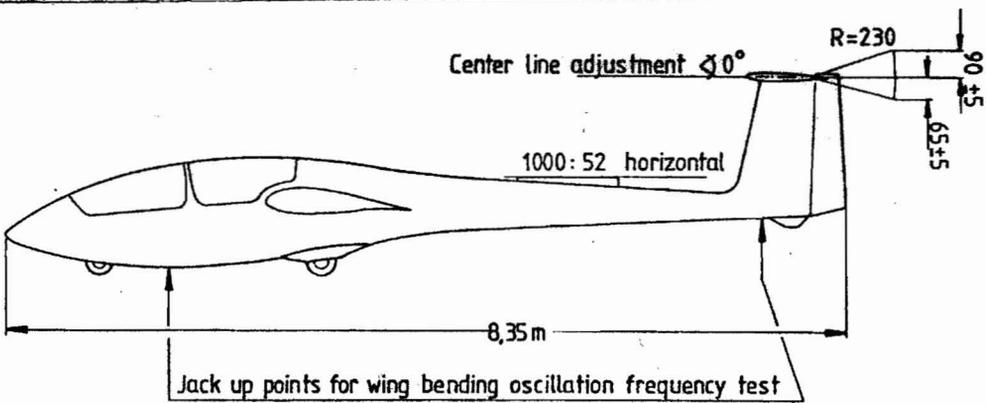
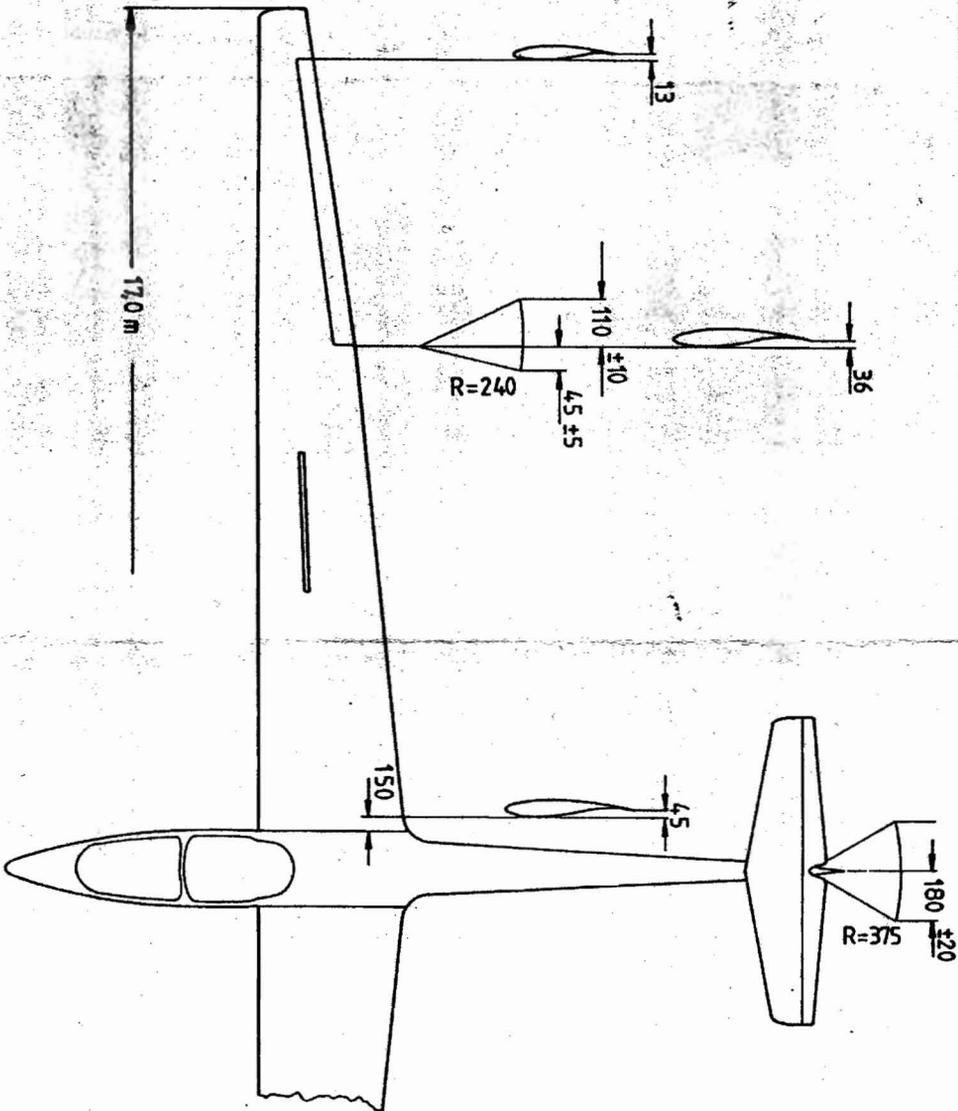
Pitot pressure: green  
 Static pressure: transparent  
 Capacity flasks: blue  
 Total energy probe: red.

Pressure Ports And Connections For The Instruments



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IV Riggering data



V. AIRWORTHINESS LIMITATION SECTION

The Airworthiness Limitation section is FAA approved for U.S. registered gliders in accordance with the provisions of 14 CFR section 21, 29.

In addition, this section is required by FAA Type Certificate Data sheet

No. G 47EU and it specifies maintenance required under 14 CFR sections 43.16 and 91.163, unless an alternative program has been FAA approved.

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**NOTE:** Damage to wing, fuselage, tail unit, and controls surfaces must be repaired prior to the next flight. Repairs beyond the scope of the REPAIR MANUAL issued by Messrs. Schleicher must be carried out only by FAA-certificated aircraft repairers rated for composite aircraft structure work and only in accordance with Schleicher repair methods approved by FAA.

### V.1 Inspection Procedures to extend Service Life

Proceed in accordance with Chapter VIII.1.

### V.2. Components With Limited Service Life

#### Tow Release Couplings

The Tost tow release couplings, factory fitted, i.e. the C.G. Safety Tow Release "Europa G 72", or "G 73", or "G 88" respectively, and the front Nose Tow Release "E 72", or "E 75", or "E 85" respectively, have a limited service life (TBO) and must be returned to TOST for re-inspection in regular intervals. The service life is stated in the appertaining Manufacturer's Authorized Release Certificate. The instructions given in the TOST "Operating Manual" or in the "Operating and Maintenance Instructions" for the tow release couplings must be observed!

#### Instruments

The flight monitoring instruments are not normally subject to service life limitations. As a general rule, the makers' instructions should be complied with.

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### Oxygen Equipment

For oxygen systems fitted, the relevant section of the appertaining Manufacturer's Inspection Release Certificate states the overhaul time limit. Over and beyond this, the oxygen bottles must be re-inspected by a technical inspection institute every five years in accordance with pressure vessel regulations.

### Special Servicing Procedures

At regular intervals of 6 years the brake line hose of the hydraulic wheel brake must be replaced. Should this hose be found to be in good condition, it need not be replaced, on condition that its condition is checked at least every 100 flying hours.

VI WEIGHTS AND C.G. POSITIONS

You will find the min. and max. C.G. limits with regard to the glider empty weight on the Weight And Balance Sheet ( see pages 48 FM.)

Min. pilot weight front seat 70 kg  
 Max. pilot weight both seats 110 kg each.

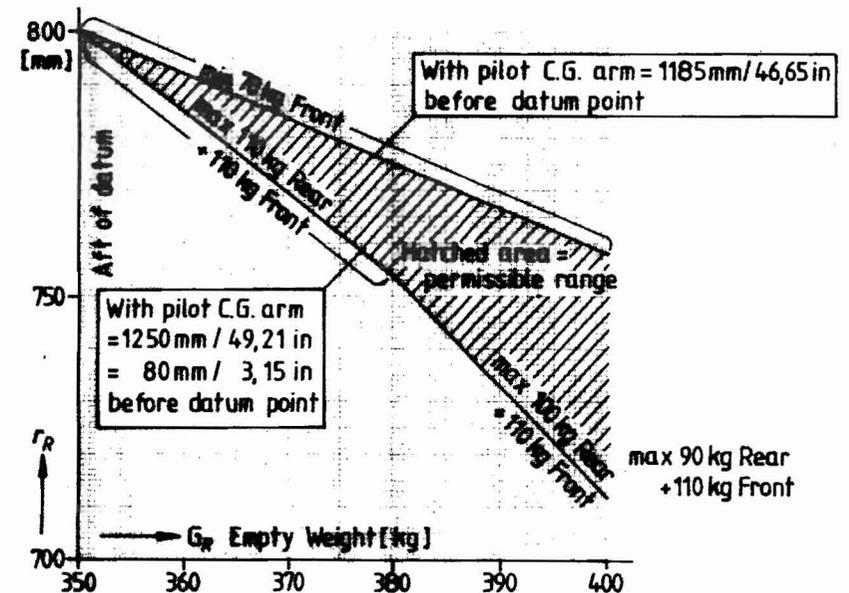
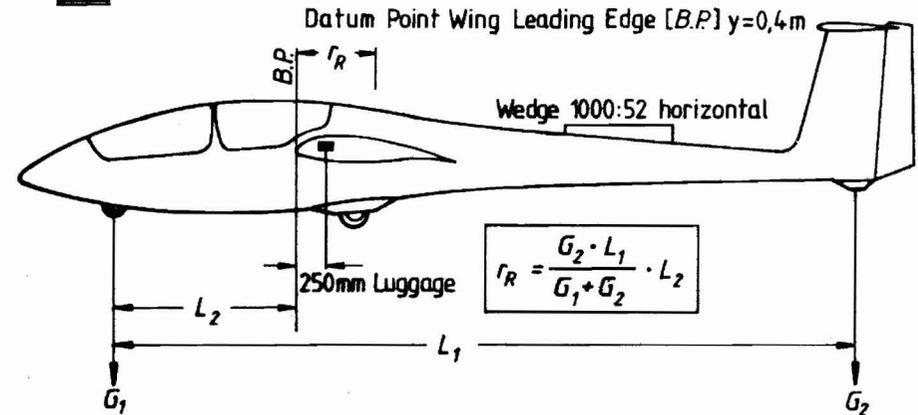
Pilot weight always means pilot + parachute. If the empty weight C.G. positions are within the permissible range, it is assured that also the in flight C.G. is within the permissible range provided that the load limitations (pilot weights) have been observed. The max. all up weight of 600 kg = 1320 lbs must not be exceeded. In the case that the empty weight comes to more than 380 kg = 838 lbs, the max. permissible pilot weights have to be reduced accordingly.

Weights of non lift producing members

The weight of the non lift producing members is composed of pilots' weights, fuselage, tail units, and equipment, - without the weight of the wings. The weight limit of 410 kg = 902 lbs for the non lift producing members must not be exceeded. After repairs, repainting or the installation of additional equipment, at the latest however every 4 years, the empty weight and the C.G. positions must be reestablished.

Weight and Balance Sheet

VI.1



VI.2 C.G. POSITIONS AT THE LAST WEIGHT & BALANCE

Signature of inspector, inspection stamp	see also FM page 48
Rear seat payload incl. chute kg/lbs min. max.	
Front seat payload incl. chute kg/lbs min. max.	
Empty weight C.G. behind datum (mm/in)	
Date of weight & balance	

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Weight, empty weight C.G. and payload have to be certified by an inspector on page 48 of the Flight Manual and on page 38 of the Instructions For Continued Airworthiness.

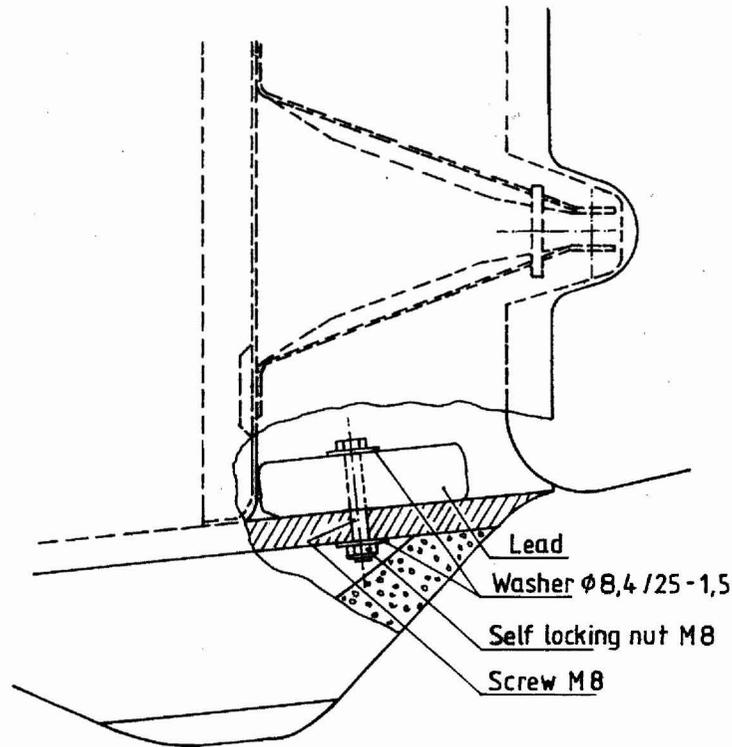
VI.3 INSTALLATION OF BALLAST IN THE TAIL

It may be necessary to install ballast in the tail in order to get the empty weight C.G. within the permissible range.

1. The amount of the lead ballast which is required is established either by calculation or by a weight and balance procedure.
2. Suitable cast lead plates are available with the company Schleicher.
3. Remove the rudder.
4. By use of a knife remove the tailskid very carefully. Grind off glue residues and other impurities.
5. From below drill a hole of 8 mm (0,3 in) in diameter: centrally to the lead plate. The long side of the lead plate must be placed next to the vertical tail unit spar so that the plate will not turn.
6. Shorten the M8 screws, screw them on and safety with a selflocking nut. A washer must be added on each side.
7. Reglue the rubber skid with contact cement.
8. After the hardening smooth the tailskid/fuselage gap and tape it in order to prevent the peeling off or catching of long grass.
9. Refit the rudder and safety duly with castellated nut and cotter pin.

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Installation of ballast in the tail



VI.4 WEIGHTS & TAILHEAVY STATIC BALANCE OF CONTROL SURFACES

After repairs or repainting the weight of the control surfaces and their tailheavy static balance must be checked. For this job the control surfaces have to be removed. For the determination of the tailheavy static balance  $M = P \cdot r$  the control surfaces must be seated in the fulcrum with as little friction as possible. If necessary, suspend them in their bearings with thread. To measure  $P$  at the trailing edge it is best to use a spring balance of 1 kg scale to which a small piece of tape is attached. If necessary, a letter balance will do, too.

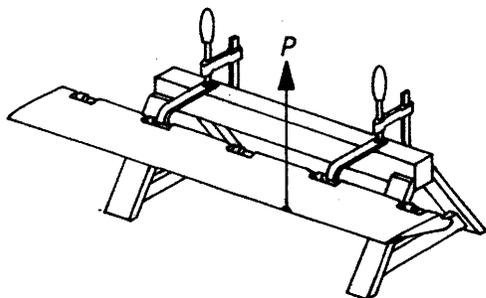
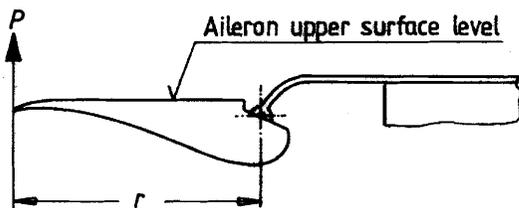
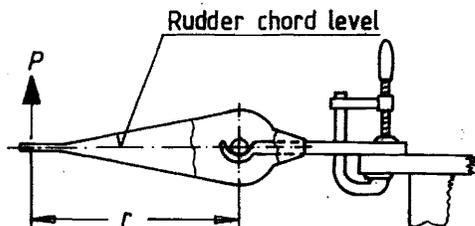
If weights or tailheavy static balance moments are not within the approved tolerances, you should contact the company Schleicher.

Tolerances in weight and tailheavy static balance of control surfaces and tolerances in play (backlash) of control systems (controls fixed) :

	Weight tolerance kg/lbs	Tailheavy static balance tolerance cm/kp ; in/lbs	Tolerance in play (backlash) Degree; mm/in	
<i>Rudder</i>	1,75 - 2,59 (3,86 - 5,71)	17,1 - 22,3 (3,1 - 4,0)	0,672°	3,88 (0,15)
<i>Elevator</i>	3,15 - 4,1 (6,95 - 9,04)	13,9 - 18,4 (2,5 - 3,3)	0,92°	2,84 (0,11)
<i>Aileron</i>	2,85 - 3,75 (6,28 - 8,27)	17,4 - 22,9 (3,1 - 4,1)	0,864°	3,01 (0,12)

Tailheavy static balance measurement of controls.

$$M = P \cdot r \text{ (daN}\cdot\text{cm)}$$



Determination of  $P$  by use of a spring balance or a letter balance.

VII. CHECK LISTS

Pre Flight Check

1. Main pins safetied ?
2. Rear wing attachment pins: is the safety lock visible above the pin ?
3. Horizontal tail unit pins safetied ? Is the spring retainer engaged ?
4. Elevator pushrod connected ? Safetied with a spring clip ? This is not applicable for gliders which use the automatic elevator connection !
5. Aileron pushrods connected ? Safetied with a spring clip ? Do not forget the sight control through the access hole cover !
6. Airbrake pushrods connected ? Safetied with a spring clip ? Do not forget the sight control through the access hole cover !
7. Check for foreign objects !

Attention !

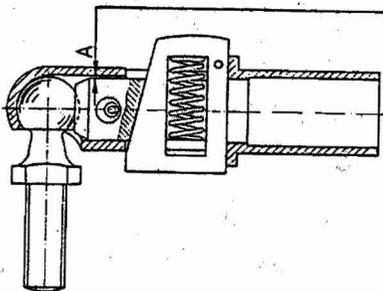
With all **HOTELLIER** quick-release joints one must be able to touch the ball pivot by feeling through the slot in the ball socket. Check the proper engagement of the safety lock by pushing it on to close !

Pre Take Off Check

1. Parachute connected to harness ?
2. Safety harness fastened ?
3. Airbrakes locked ?
4. Trim neutral ?
5. Altimeter correctly set ?
6. Canopies closed and locked ? Rear Canopy !!
7. For flights with only one occupant remove the rear back rest !!
8. Leave your toes under the pedal toe-straps ! Never flatten the straps ! Danger of jamming the pedals !

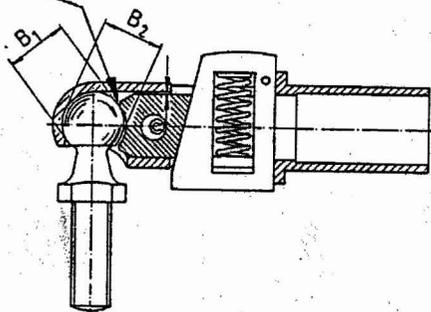
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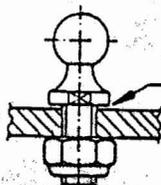
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The greatest and smallest diameters B to be found must not differ by more than 0,1 mm (0,004 in).

The tight seat of the ball ends inside the fittings must be checked as loose ball ends are likely to break under bending loads in the thread area.

Gap generated by an unscrewed and incorrectly refitted ball end or owing to overloading /wear out of the lever part.



VIII. PERIODICAL INSPECTIONS

The following maintenance checks have to be carried out periodically, however, imperatively at the latest annually :

1. Check the whole glider - outside and inside where accessible - for cracks, holes, dents and white spots in the fiberglass.
2. The attachment hinges and pins must be checked for corrosion, tool marks and play. If the front shear pins of the wing/fuselage junction show too much lateral play due to ground loopings, thin metal washers must be added on these pins. The spar pins must show some play, otherwise the wings possibly cannot be rigged at all with different temperatures. Besides here the bearing pressure is so low that there is no danger of wearout. On the other hand the rear pins of the wing/fuselage junction require more attention. In the case of play (backlash) at these pins they have to be replaced in time against oversize pins. The play at these pins always should be within the tolerances H7/g6. Good preventive maintenance will increase considerably the service life of all pins and fittings. Always clean and relubricate the pins prior to every rigging. Do not misalign the pins !
3. Check all metal parts for corrosion and, if necessary, repaint them. As priming a zinc-chromate prime has to be used.
4. Make sure that there is no play in the wing/fuselage attachment and in the tail unit/fuselage attachments (see also above point 2).

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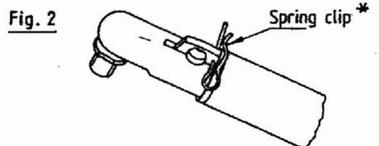
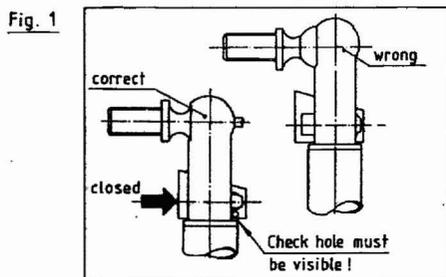
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4. Check that there is no play in the fuselage/wing and fuselage/tailplane connections (see also above Point 2.).
5. The condition of all accessible bearings, fittings, joints, stops in the control linkages, and especially the control cables and towing hook cables, must be checked. The plastic tubes inside the S-shaped rudder pedal tubes must be checked for proper and tight fit !
6. The controls, including the airbrakes, must be subjected to an operational test, and their control deflections measured.
7. If any control is not free-moving over its entire range of movement, then the cause is to be established and eliminated.
8. The condition of the main landing gear and tailskid (foam skid with wear plate or pneumatic tailwheel respectively) including tire, brake linings, and rubber shock absorber must be checked. See also that there is sufficient brake fluid in the tank.
9. The towing hooks must be inspected according to the manufacturer's "operations and maintenance instructions".
10. The pressure openings (pitot and static pressure ports) on the fuselage, including their flexible lines, are to be checked for blockages and leaks.
11. Condition and function - if applicable, maximum permissible operational time - of all instruments, VHF-transceiver unit, and other equipment are to be checked !
12. The wing bending frequency is to be measured and compared with the stated value in the latest inspection report. For this test the fuselage must be rigidly supported on two supports, in order to obtain comparable values; for the position of the supports see the Survey Drawing on page 29.
13. Check that the equipment and instrumentation are in accordance with the Equipment Inventory (Section XIV. APPENDIX of this manual).
14. After repairs or alterations to the equipment the new empty weight and the C.G. position are to be found by calculation or weighing, and are to be recorded in a summary of weights.

Checking and securing the L'HOTELLIER quick-release connectors in the control linkages

1. Securing

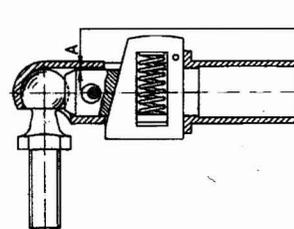
Past experience showed that the quick-release connectors in the airbrake, aileron and particularly in the elevator control linkages were incorrectly assembled or that their assembly was even completely forgotten (as of serial no. 21206 the aircraft was then supplied with an automatic elevator connection). A sticker (Fig.1) fixed to the fin and the access hole cover, serve to remind the pilot of the correct assembly. All quick-release connectors must be secured in addition by means of a spring clip (Fig.2). With the older type of connectors the check hole must be drilled to approx. 1,2 mm  $\phi$  for this purpose.



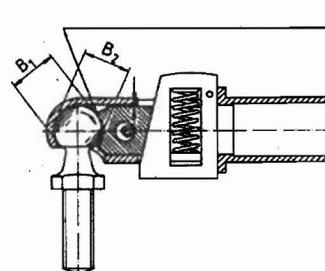
\* Spring clip no.50030771 can be ordered from Alexander Schleicher or from the company A.Würth, P.O.Box 1261, D-7118 Künzelsau. (This part is also identical with the FORD brake securing spring clip).

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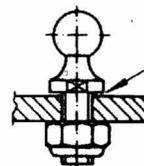
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NOTE: The Technical Note "Technical Data No. IM.10.01A, Issue B 01/89", by the manufacturer L'HOTELLIER must be observed!

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### Inspecting the taping of the control surface gaps

For aerodynamic reasons the control surface gaps between wing and aileron and between stabilizer and elevator respectively are taped where the control surface hinges are located.

Should this adhesive tape come off or be damaged, this may lead to flutter! Therefore the sealing adhesive tape must be inspected in regular intervals and where necessary replaced.

If the adhesive tape needs to be removed for maintenance, or repair purposes, or because of aging please observe the following: as a replacement you must use only the Tesa tape no.46451, white, 25 or 38 mm wide, made by Beiersdorf AG, Hamburg.

Where other types of adhesive tape have been used, flutter cases have been repeatedly reported!

Where a plastic fairing tape (elastic lipseal) has been fixed at the control surface gaps, you have to observe MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTION C.

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### VIII.1 Inspection Program to extend Service Life

#### Introduction

Fatigue tests on GRP/CFRP wings and GRP/CFRP wing spars have shown that a service life expectancy of at least 12000 hours may be achieved for these components. However, as this test program did not examine an entire aircraft made of CRP and GRP, this service life of 12000 hours can be achieved only if the long-term airworthiness of each glider is demonstrated in a special multi-stage inspection program (over and above the mandatory annual C of A inspection).

#### Time Limits

##### 1st Stage:

When the sailplane has reached a service life of 3000 and 6000 flying hours respectively, tests must be carried out in accordance with the Inspection Program for the ASK 21, Issue 2 dated 28.04.92, laid down by Messrs.Schleicher.

If the results of these tests are positive, or if any defects discovered have been correctly repaired, the service life of the sailplane will be increased after the 6000 hrs-inspection by 1000 hours, i.e. to a total of 7000 hours.

##### 2nd Stage:

When a service life of 7000 flying hours has been reached the above Inspection Program must be repeated. If the results are again positive, or any defects found have been correctly repaired, the service life may be increased to a total of 8000 flying hours. This is repeated for the next 1000 hours respectively until the sailplane has reached a total of 12000 hours, -

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on the condition that every time the results are again positive, or any defects found have been correctly repaired.

For a possible extension of service life beyond 12000 hours, further detailed requirements will be established in due course.

### Inspection Program

Please contact SCHLEICHER in order to obtain the Inspection Program for the ASK 21, Issue 2 dated 28.04.92, which is currently effective.

The inspections must be carried out only by the manufacturer, or by an appropriately licensed aircraft repairer.

The results of the inspections must be entered into the Inspection Program which is at the same time the report of findings where each item must be annotated with a comprehensive comment, as laid down.

If the inspections were carried out by a licensed aircraft repairer, a copy of the Inspection Program report of findings which must be signed by the inspector, must be returned to SCHLEICHER for the purpose of evaluation.

On receipt and examination of your Inspection Program report SCHLEICHER will issue an "Acknowledgement of Receipt" and send this back to the operator of the sailplane. After that the inspector may certify the extension of the service life as laid down in the Inspection Program into the logbook and the sailplane's inspections papers.

The need for annual Certificate of Airworthiness inspections and overhauls (for German registered gliders § 27 (1) LuftGerPO applies\*) is not affected by this rule.

\* LuftGerPO = Aeron. Products Examination Order

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### Special Checks

#### After rough landings :

Check the landing gear suspension mount at the front main bulkhead !

Check the wheel fork for deformation; gear box !!

Check the control shaft above the wheel for deformation!

Make sure that the rubber buffers have not come over the support discs !

Check spar tongue and fork for white areas !

Check the wing connections at the fuselage !

Check the cross tube at the front main bulkhead for compression deformations !

Determine wing bending oscillation frequency and compare the value with that of the last inspection report. In case of differences by more than 5 % contact the Schleicher factory. (See survey drawing on page of the Instructions For Continued Airworthiness for jack up points).

#### After ground loops :

Inspect the fuselage tail cone at the transition to the fin and also the attachment of the horizontal tail unit to the fin !

Check wing connections at the fuselage !

Inspect horizontal shear web in the fuselage (between front and rear main bulkhead) !

IX. LUBRICATION SCHEME

Bearings : the slotted-sealed ball bearings are filled with a longlasting grease and are capped off. So it is unnecessary to regrease this bearing. The 14C6 self-aligning bearings in the pushrods and in the duraluminum rocker arms are also greased and covered with felt seals so that they likewise do not need any regreasing for a long period of time. The same applies to the ball bearings of the pushrod guides.

The grease nipples at the controlstick and at the landing gear rocker arm should be lubricated at least annually.

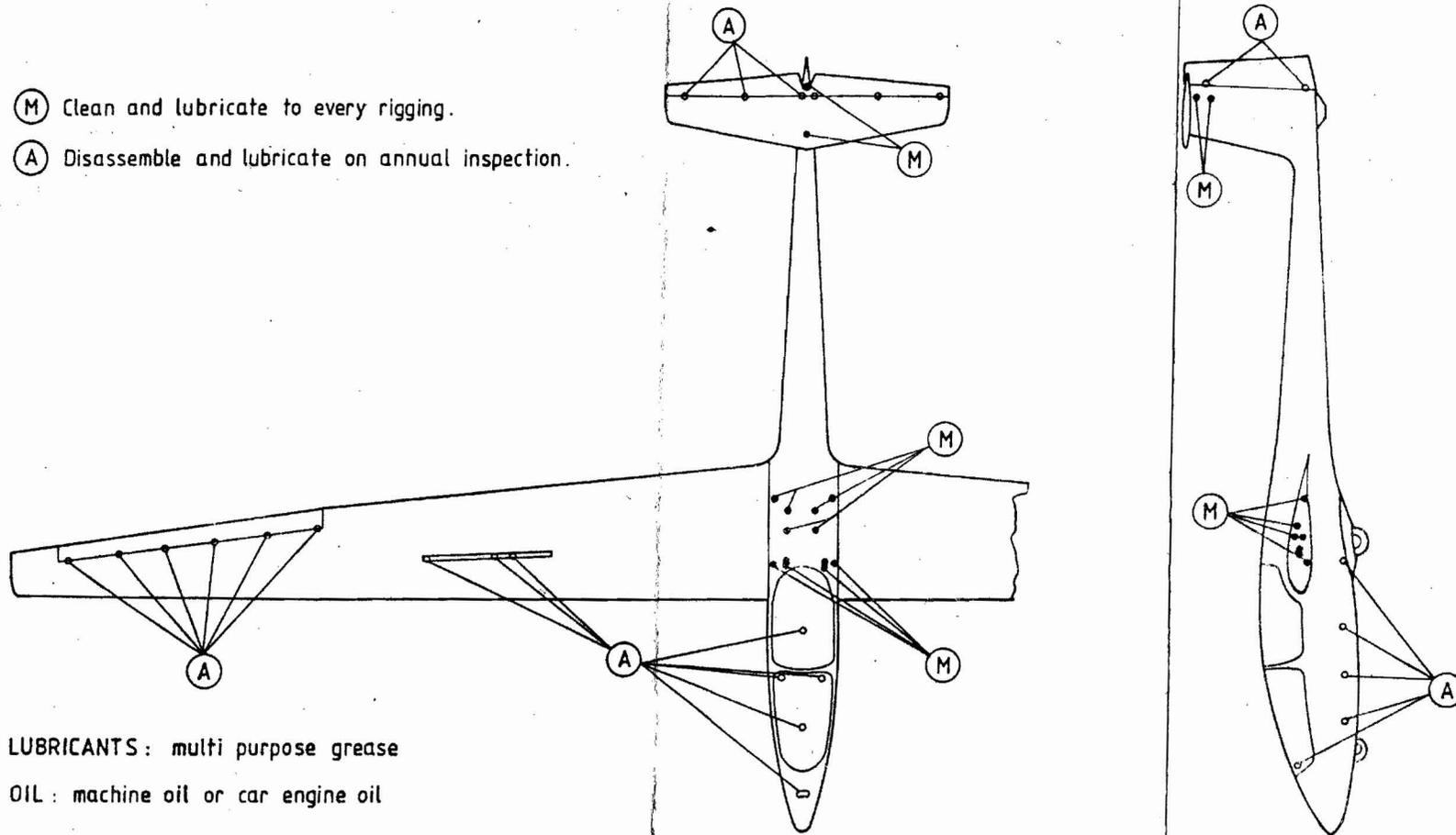
The grease nipples of the control systems are accessible from the top when the seat cushions are removed. The rear seat has to be removed in order to reach the grease nipples of the landing gear rocker arm.

The canopy locks and especially the emergency jettisoning device in the front cockpit have to be kept well lubricated.

Dirty tow releases are cleaned best with compressed air, brush and through movement of the kinematics. Then regrease them with a spray oil or some similar agent.

LUBRICATION SCHEME

- (M) Clean and lubricate to every rigging.
- (A) Disassemble and lubricate on annual inspection.



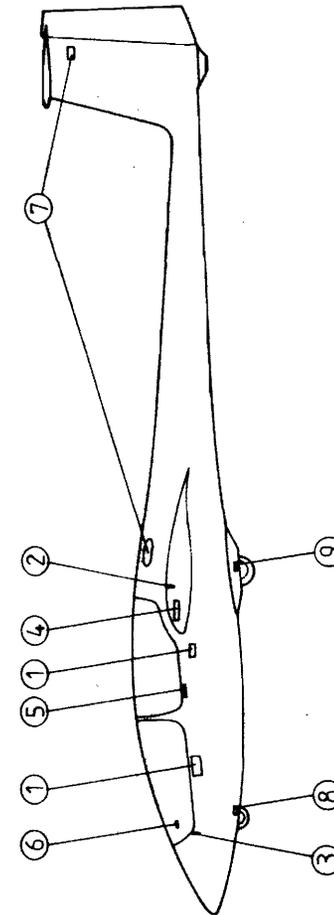
LUBRICANTS : multi purpose grease

OIL : machine oil or car engine oil

## X. PLACARDS AND MARKINGS

1. Data placard with weight & balance data;  
one placard each for the front and rear seat on the right cockpit wall.
2. Fire-proof type plate;  
on the right at the spar tunnel bottom.
3. Placard stating the approved Airworthiness Category;  
on the front instrument panel.
4. Max. baggage compartment loading;  
one placard each left and right on the rear cockpit wall close to the baggage compartment opening.
5. Placard on the rear instrument panel.
6. Placard for "Pre take off check";  
on the underside of the front instrument panel cover so that the placard is visible when the canopy is open.
7. Placard on left side of top of fin;  
**Note:** This placard is cancelled if your glider features the automatic elevator connection.  
Placard in the access hole cover !
8. Placard for tire pressure nose wheel: 2.0 bar.
9. Placard for tire pressure main wheel: 2.7 bar.
10. Airspeed indicator marking.
11. G-meter marking.

## Setting of placards

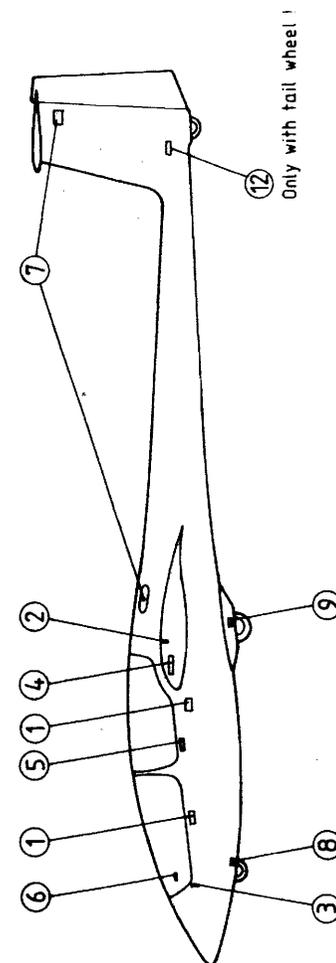


## For tailwheel option only

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11. G-meter marking.
12. Placard for tire pressure tail wheel: 2,5 bar.

## Setting of placards



<b>Segelflugzeugbau A. Schleicher Poppenhausen</b>	
Model	Serial no.
DATA PLACARD	
Approved for:	
Max. speed for calm air	280 km/h
Max. speed for rough air	200 km/h
Max. maneuvering speed	V <sub>M</sub> 180 km/h
Max. aero tow speed	V <sub>F</sub> 180 km/h
Max. winch launch speed	V <sub>W</sub> 150 km/h
WEIGHT AND BALANCE	
Min. payload front seat	kg
Max. payload front seat	kg
Max. payload rear seat	kg
Baggage in wingroots	max. 2 x 10 kg
Max. permissible all-up weight	kg

①  
2 off

④  
Loading of baggage compartment: max. 10 kg

④  
2 off

- ⑥  
Pre Take Off Check :
1. Controls easy to operate ?
  2. Airbrakes locked ?
  3. Trim in the center position ?
  4. Parachute and safety harness fastened ?
  5. Altimeter adjusted to field height or to zero ?
  6. Radio "ON" and adjusted to proper frequency ?
  7. Both canopies locked ?

⑥  
1 off

- ⑤  
1 off  
Rear
- Attention! Emergency bailout!**
- a) Pull back both canopy side-locks and push canopy upwards.
  - b) Undo safety harness.
  - c) Get up and bail out.
  - d) With manual chute seize release grip and pull out entirely after 1-3 sec.

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Model: ASK 21  
Serial no: 21 XXX  
Registration letters :  
Made in West Germany

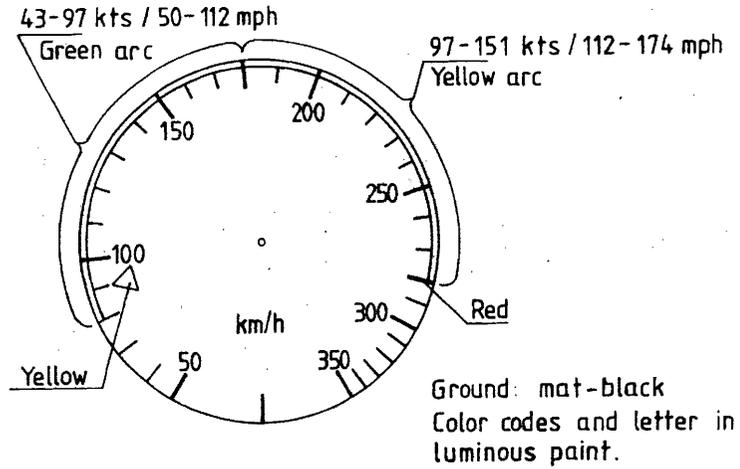
- ③  
1 off
- Aerobatics prohibited!**  
Equipment as under airworthiness category "U" (Utility)

For equipment without g-meter and bottom strap.

- ③  
1 off
- Aerobatics as per Flight Manual**  
Equipment as under airworthiness category "A" (Acrobatic)

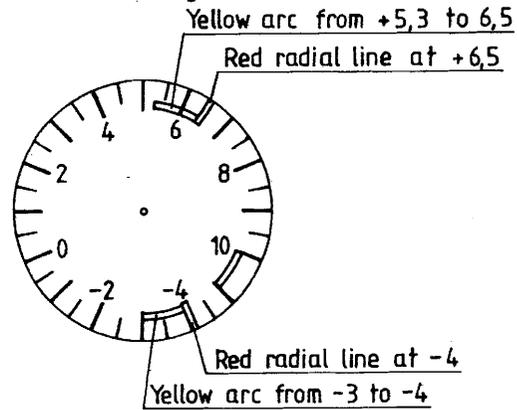
For equipment with g-meter and bottom strap.

Airspeed indicator color codes

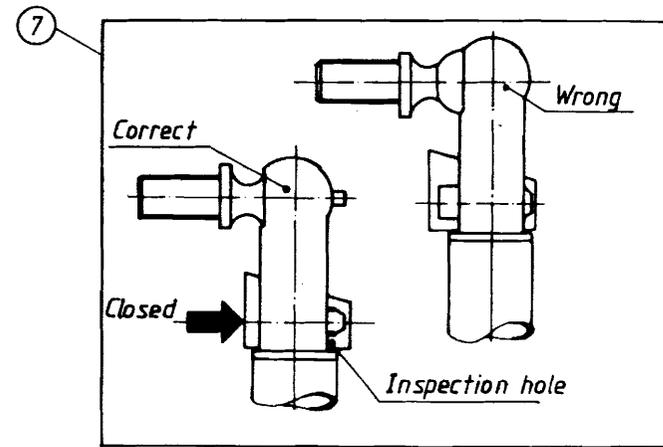


G-meter color codes

a) Positive range



b) Negative range



XI. REPAIRS

On principle repairs must only be made by the manufacturer or by a certified (licensed) technical aviation facility.

For exceptions see repair manual. In case of doubt contact the manufacturer !

XII. MODIFICATIONS

Minor modification

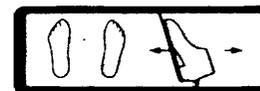
A modification to the aircraft which has no influence on its airworthiness and is feasible by using standard working methods, may be done without prior notification to the Civil Aviation Authority if it is done in accordance with a technical note issued by the Civil Aviation Authority.

Major modification

A modification to the aircraft which has an influence on its airworthiness or requires a change of the operation instructions or of the operation limitations or is not feasible by using standard working methods, must only be done by a certified (licensed) technical aviation facility. The major modification must only be done in accordance with technical documentations which were subject of a supplementary type-approval under the test regulations for aircraft.

A supplementary type-approval is not necessary, if the major modification is restricted to only some single units. Prior to the carrying out of the major modification the proof of the airworthiness must be furnished in accordance with the test regulations for aircraft.

XIII. DESCRIPTION OF SYMBOLIC PLACARDS



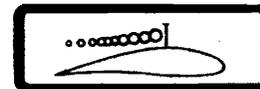
Rudder pedals adjustment: grey knob on RH side of the console.

To adjust pedals backwards:

Take your feet off the pedals and pull pedals backwards; then let go the grey knob and load the pedals in order to lock them.

To adjust pedals forwards:

Pull grey knob and push pedals forwards with your heels; then let go the grey knob and load the pedals in order to lock them.



Airbrakes: blue lever in the LH arm rest; pull to extend airbrakes.



Trim: noseheavy.



Trim: tailheavy.



Tow release: yellow knob LH below canopy frame.



OPEN front canopy:  
Move white levers LH and RH on canopy frame backwards.



EMERGENCY JETTISONING of front canopy:  
Push lever with red flat knob to the left



OPEN rear canopy and/or EMERGENCY  
JETTISONING:  
Move red levers LH and RH on canopy  
frame backwards.



Ventilation

Prior to take off check the  
proper engagement of the  
canopy locks! forward-locked

This placard must be fitted in  
the front and rear cockpit in  
full view of the pilot.

XIV APPENDIX

XIV.1 Equipment List

Minimum equipment

1. Airspeed indicator
  - a. Winter GW 6005 50 - 350 km/h
  - b. PZL PS 08 50 - 350 km/h
2. Altimeter
  - a. Winter 4 HM 6
  - b. Winter 4 FGH 10
  - c. PZL W-12 S

3. Safety harness

Gadringer Bagu V-B/1  
Schugu II-C/V  
Bogu I-B/V front  
Bogu I-A/V rear

Additional minimum equipment for aerobatics :

G-meter BM 770 L

Additional minimum equipment for cloud flying :

Turn & bank indicator Apparatebau Gauting WZ-402/  
31.

Compass : Ludolph FK 5  
Ludolph FK 16  
PZL BS-1  
PZL B-13/KJ

VHF-transceiver

- a. Dittel FSG 15/25
- b. Dittel FSG 16/25
- c. Dittel FSG 40 S
- d. Becker AR 2008/25
- e. Becker AR 2009/25
- f. Avionic Dittel ATR 720

## Instructions For Continued Airworthiness Schleicher ASK 21

### XIV.2 Maintenance Instructions

The following Maintenance Instructions are established from time to time as required, in accordance with experience accumulated in operating the ASK 21. The Maintenance Manual is to be supplemented in case of new issues of Maintenance Instructions.

The general "Maintenance Instruction ALL FRP GLIDER MODELS dated June 19, 1986" describes the removing of play between the sockets (= bushings) and bolts (= pins) of the wing-to-fuselage transition.

The general Maintenance Instruction "PAINT CRACKS" dated June 26, 1989, describes how to inspect, preserve, and repair the paint surface.

The Maintenance Instruction A for the ASK 21 (dated March 23, 1987) describes how to readjust the airbrakes.

The Maintenance Instruction B for the ASK 21 (dated July 4, 1990) describes how to install oversize drag pins (rear).

The Maintenance Instruction C for the ASK 21 (dated May 7, 1992) describes how to fix for the first time or how to replace the plastic fairing tape (elastic lipseal) at the control surface gaps.

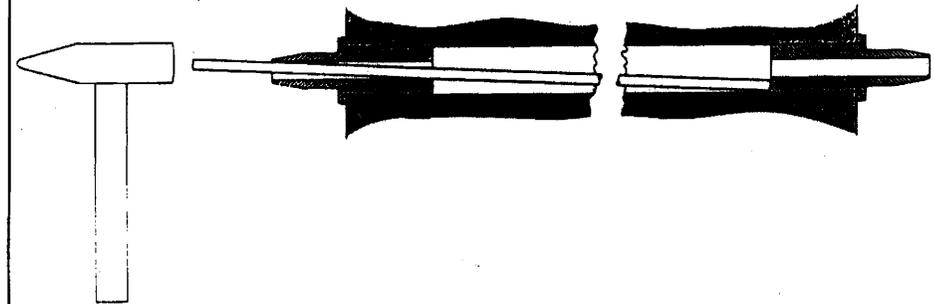
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All FRP glider models  
Maintenance Instruction  
dated 19.06.86

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### Removing play between the sockets and bolts of the wing-fuselage transition

1. Longitudinal play between the four sockets in the wings and the bolts on the fuselage (Note: for the ASK 21, only the socket/bolt connection front in the wing nose/fuselage transition) leads to disturbing click-click noises when the rudder is operated, and can result in unpleasant tail oscillations at high speeds.
2. The play is eliminated by fitting metal washers of  $\varnothing 22,5/32$ -thickness according to the extent of the play. By testing, the play must be reduced such that the wings can be assembled still properly - this applies to a normal temperature of 20 °C. Depending on the extent of the play, the metal washers can be fitted under one or more bolts.
3. The bolts are slid out of the fuselage cross tubes by fitting a steel rod through the hole in the opposite bolt, and driving the bolt out from the inside with a hammer (see sketch below).
4. After fitting the metal washer(s), it should be possible to drive the bolt back in place, using only a 500 g (~ 1 lb) hammer and a few blows. If it returns too easily, then knurl the seating area slightly until a tight fit is obtained again.



Poppenhausen, June 19, 1986

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SHEET: 1 of 4	Maintenance Instruction PAINT CRACKS	Alexander Schleicher GmbH & Co. Segelflugzeugbau D-6416 Poppenhausen
<p><u>Subject:</u> Paint cracks on fiber composite gliders.</p> <p><u>Types affected:</u> ASW 12, ASW 15, ASW 17, ASW 19, ASW 20, ASK 21, ASW 22, ASK 23, ASW 24, ASH 25; ALL variants and all serial no.s.</p> <p><u>Compliance:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If deep cracks which go down to the fiber composite structure, are found on the glider, the glider must be presented each year to the manufacturer or any other licensed aviation station, who upon examination of the glider decides whether the glider can be continued in service for 1 year more or whether the repair must be done at once (see point "Action A.").</li> <li>2. If hairline cracks which run only in the paint surface, are found on the glider, the glider shall be presented at the latest after three years annually to the manufacturer or any other licensed aviation station, who upon examination of the glider decides whether the glider can be continued in service for 1 year more or whether the repair must be done at once (see point "Action B."). The 3 years extension applies only on the condition that the maintenance and care of the aircraft is no longer neglected during this period of time and that the gliders are no longer stored outside;</li> </ol> <p><u>Reason:</u> The Flight and Maintenance Manuals for SCHLEICHER-gliders contain insistent notes concerning the detrimental influence of moisture and sun radiation on the aerodynamic paint surface quality standard. Herewith we <u>point out emphatically once again</u> that every owner is obliged to observe the flight and maintenance or operations manuals of his glider in all points, and this refers also to the relevant notes on the care and maintenance of the glider.</p> <p>If these notes are contravened, the result will be sooner or later - depending on the climate - damage to the paint surface quality.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Influence of the two factors moisture and UV-radiation:</u></p> <p>To begin with, generally an enlargement of the waviness of the finish develops - mainly on the wing and tail unit skins - caused by penetration of moisture. On the occasion of performance measurements (accomplished by P.Bickle, R.Johnson and the German DFVLR/Idaflieg) it has been demonstrated repeatedly that the larger waviness leads already to considerable performance loss which is all distinctly noticed in competitions. A competition</p>		

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SHEET: 3 of 4	Maintenance Instruction PAINT CRACKS	Alexander Schleicher GmbH & Co. Segelflugzeugbau D-6416 Poppenhausen
<p><u>Action:</u></p> <p>To repair the paint cracks, these have to be removed generally by sanding them <u>down to their ground</u>. But in doing so, the fiber composite structure lying under the gel coat should not be sanded on. Thus the sanding job is difficult and, therefore, relatively expensive.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. If deep cracks are concerned which go down to or into the fiber composite structure (it is assumed that they result from large and rapid temperature changes as found e.g. with wave flights !), and if a repair is decided to be necessary, the paint material has to be sanded down to the fiber composite structure carefully and the area affected must be repaired. In case that the resin matrix base of the fiber composite structure is already damaged, one should consider peeling off and replacing the damaged fiber composite layer. This work is possibly easier than the careful sanding job.</li> <li>B. If hairline cracks are concerned which run only in the paint surface (and which presumably result from bad maintenance together with continuous UV-radiation - i.e. gliders left outside without any protection for a long period of time), we recommend to remove the paint material from all areas attacked by sanding on them down their end and to repaint these areas. The sooner this measure is taken, the less the work expenditure.</li> </ol> <p>On the subject of rebuilding the paint system with materials available in the USA as well as on the subject of how to rebuild the profile (which is a must for high performance gliders which are to be flown in competitions) R.H.Johnson, Dallas Soaring Association, has written several articles published in SOARING magazine. We advise to consider in any case the repair experience accumulated in the USA.</p> <p>For Europe we suggest to spray the sanded surfaces first with polyester fillers, to sand them again, and to re-spray them finally thinly with a white paint system on a Polyurethane basis which should be aircraft-approved.</p> <p><u>Material &amp; drawings:</u> See above point "Action".</p> <p><u>Mass and C.G.:</u> It is necessary to redetermine the mass and C.G. data after repainting. After repainting of control surfaces and flaps special attention must be paid to their tailheavy balance</p>		

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ASK 21  
Maintenance Instruction A

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**Subject:** Re-adjusting the airbrakes.

**Affecting:** All ASK 21 serial no.s.

**Compliance:** As required.

**Reason:** It is important to check in regular intervals the locking of the airbrakes. Each airbrake has its own toggle in the wing. For this reason it must be checked that both airbrakes lock simultaneously and securely.

**Action:**

1. This is checked by connecting the brakes individually and marking the point on the operating lever gate in the cockpit at which the linkage's dead center occurs. Both dead points should be within 5 mm (0.2 in) of each other and, in the locked state, the individual brakes should still have 10 mm of free movement of the front lever forwards in the gate.
2. If you observe that the airbrakes do not have an even over-center lock, the toggle over dead center must be readjusted. This must be done with the airbrake pushrod disconnected from the HOTELLIER ball quick-disconnect.  
As shown in Fig.1 the short pushrod (1) is to be disconnected from the toggle crank (2); back off the lock-nut (3) and screw out the pushrod (1) by 1/2 to 1 turn. Re-connect in the reverse order and check again as described under point 1.).
3. If the airbrakes still do not have sufficient dead lock force, peel a little off the toggle stop block (4). Using a punch carefully remove some layers from the stop block (4); then again readjust the airbrakes as described under points 1.) and 2.).

**Material:** New safety nut NM 6, DIN 980-6, if needed.

Poppenhausen, March 23, 1987

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ASK 21  
Maintenance Instruction B  
Issue I

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**Subject:** Installation of oversize drag pins

**Affecting:** All serial no.s ASK 21.

**Action:**

1. Derig the glider.
2. To be able to safely ream the new holes the safety clips have to be removed at the root ribs
3. Then rig the glider as usual and support the wings by use of wing stands or equivalent (saw horses, trailer dollies) such that the drag pins can be easily removed and inserted.
4. Take one drag pin out, ream the oversize hole and insert new drag pin.
5. Do the same on the other side.
6. Derig the glider.
7. Fix the safety clips again at the new drag pins.

**Note:** The following pin diameters are available:  
11.95 mm, 12.0 mm, 12.1 mm, 12.2 mm and 12.3 mm.

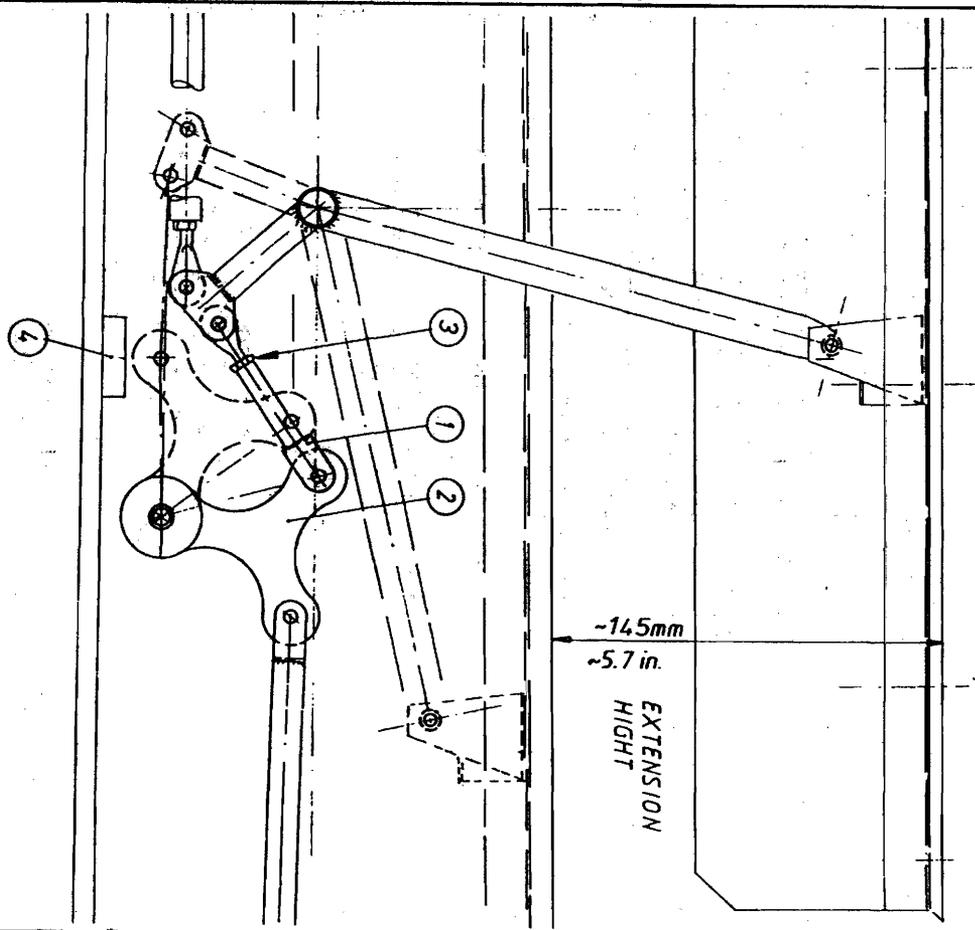
Poppenhausen, July 4, 1990

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Fig. 1



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gestattet, soweit nicht ausdrücklich zugestanden.

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oder Gebrauchsmuster-Eintragung vorbehalten.

**Subject:** Fixing for the first time or replacing the plastic fairing tape (elastic lipseal) at the control surface gaps, of aileron, and horizontal and vertical tail.

**Affecting:** All ASK 21, Data Sheet no. L-339, as of serial no.21001, optional.

**Reason:** Performance measurements with various gliders have shown that drag can be considerably reduced by a continuous transition between wing and aileron and between stabilizer and elevator respectively.

This continuous transition is achieved by means of an elastic lipseal which is applied to the wing, the stabilizer and the fin respectively in order to bridge the actual gap between wing & aileron, stabilizer & elevator, and fin & rudder, due to its curvature into which it is pre-formed to ensure tight seating on the control surfaces.

It is important to ensure that the seal underneath this bridging lipseal is 100 % airtight. The control surface gaps are sealed in addition by means of a Teflon sealing/slip tape, which at the same time serves to reduce the friction of the elastic lipseal on the aileron and elevator surfaces.

Should the elastic lipseal come off or be damaged, this may lead to flutter!

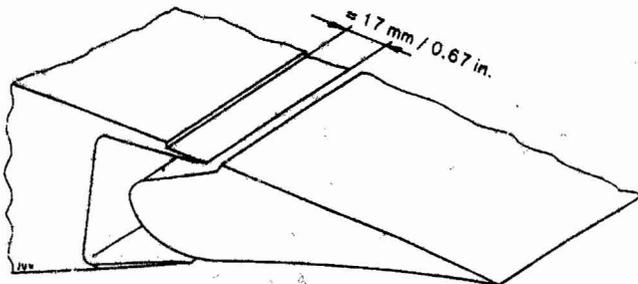
The additional aileron, elevator & rudder control friction generated is minimal and acceptable.

**Action:** 1. If the elastic lipseal was not fitted before to your glider, a step must first be rebated in the upper wing surface as illustrated in Fig.1.

**NOTE:**

Only the finish layer is carefully removed down as far as the outer FRP lamination without damaging the glass layer.

Fig.1 Upper Wing Surface



Wichtigste Voraussetzung dieser Unter-  
 suchung ist die Einhaltung der in der  
 Zeichnung angegebenen Maßangaben.  
 Alle Maße sind in mm anzugeben.  
 Falls keine Angabe in mm vorliegt,  
 sind die Maße in Zoll anzugeben.  
 Falls keine Angabe in Zoll vorliegt,  
 sind die Maße in mm anzugeben.  
 Falls keine Angabe in mm oder Zoll vorliegt,  
 sind die Maße in mm anzugeben.

Now apply the sealing/slip tape (2) [3M Scotch Teflon Tape 30 mm wide] abutting the rear edge of the temporary positioning tape (1). Be careful that the sealing/slip tape lies slack over the gap.

Set the aileron to maximum positive deflection, so that later the Teflon sealing/slip tape is not stretched during normal full control deflection!

Apply full aileron several times so that the sealing/slip tape fits well into the gap.

Then the Teflon sealing/slip tape (2) must be firmly rubbed down on to the surface.

Then remove the temporary positioning tape (1) first applied.

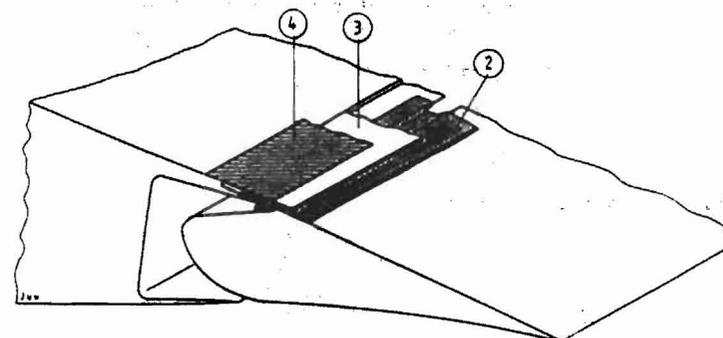
Peel the protective backing from the plastic fairing strip (3) [Mylar foil, 30-15mm wide] and firmly stick it on abutting the front edge of the recessed step in the wing by means of its adhesive film layer [Fig.3].

Press the adhesive zones of the plastic fairing strip firmly down on the surface using a soft wooden block (e.g: Balsa) or a hard rubber roller.

Finally, a protective adhesive tape (4) is applied over the abutment of the front edge of the plastic fairing strip (3) and the step in the wing [Fig.3]. This tape should be as thin and moisture-proof as possible; an example of a suitable tape would be white Tesa film No.104, 25 mm wide.

This protective tape serves to prevent the detachment of the front edge of the plastic fairing strip (elastic lipseal) which might result in dangerous flight characteristics.

Fig.3 Upper Wing Surface



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 suchung ist die Einhaltung der in der  
 Zeichnung angegebenen Maßangaben.  
 Alle Maße sind in mm anzugeben.  
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2. If the elastic lipseal needs to be removed only for maintenance or repair purposes, please observe the following:

For disassembly of elevator or aileron:

The elastic lipseal and the sealing/slip tape need to be removed only on the upper surface (where the control surface hinges are located).

For disassembly of the rudder:

Here it is not necessary to remove the elastic lipseal at the fin.

- 2.1 The elastic lipseal must be removed very carefully so as to avoid any delaminations of the layers in this area. Remove any adhesive residue by means of synthetic resin thinners.

- 2.2 Accomplish any required inspection, maintenance or repair work at the control surfaces themselves and / or their hinges.

3. Fixing for the first time or replacing the plastic fairing tape (elastic lipseal).

Notes:

All surfaces must be completely clean, dry and free from dust and grease!

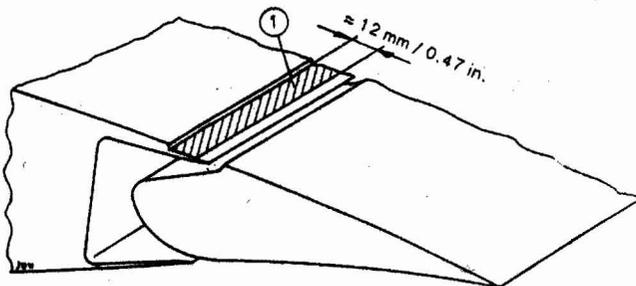
This can best be tested by sticking a self adhesive tape to the cleaned surface and then pulling it off again to check that no further dust particles adhere to it.

Cut the new elastic plastic fairing tape and the sealing/slip tape into appropriate lengths (refer to the table under point "Material").

- 3.1 Upper Wing Surface

Apply a 12 mm wide temporary positioning tape (1) [e.g.: 12 mm Tesafilm 104] abutting the front edge of the approx. 17 mm wide recessed step (Fig. 2).

Fig.2 Upper Wing Surface



- 3.2 Horizont tail upper surface:

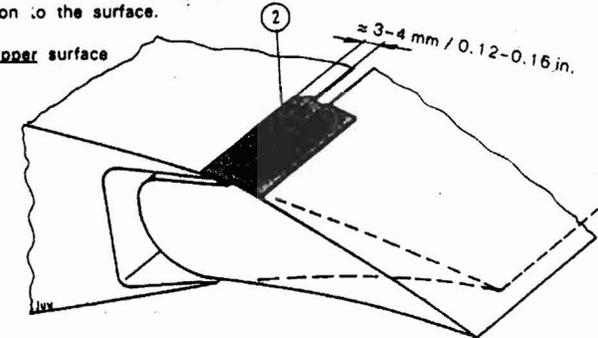
There is no recessed step at the stabilizer. As shown in Fig.4 the sealing/slip tape (2) [3M Scotch Teflon Tape 30 mm wide] is stuck on over the stabilizer-to-elevator gap. At the same time the elevator must be set to maximum positive deflection, so that later the Teflon sealing/slip tape is not stretched during normal full control deflections!

Be careful that the sealing/slip tape lies slack over the gap. Apply full elevator several times so that the sealing/slip tape fits well into the gap.

Then the Teflon sealing/slip tape (2) must be firmly rubbed down on to the surface.

Fig.4

Horizont tail upper surface



Peel the protective backing from the plastic fairing strip (3) [Mylar foil, 30-15mm wide] and firmly stick it on to the stabilizer by means of its adhesive film layer (Fig.5).

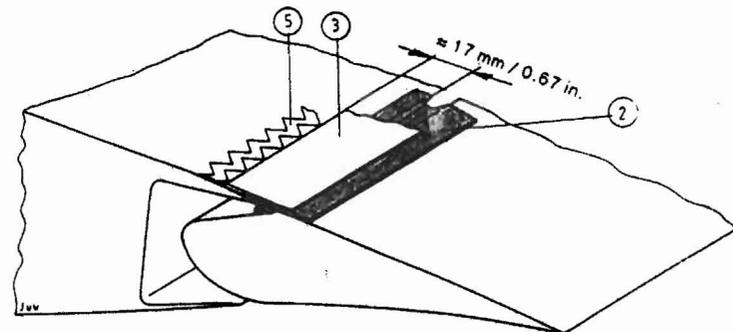
Press the adhesive zones of the plastic fairing strip firmly down on the surface using a soft wooden block (e.g. Balsa) or a hard rubber roller.

The zig-zag-tape (5) is stuck on abutting the edge of the plastic fairing strip (3).

NOTE: The front teeth (in the direction of the flight) must not be flattened by pressing them too far down into the glue film, otherwise their turbulator effect will be reduced!

Fig.5

Horizont tail upper surface



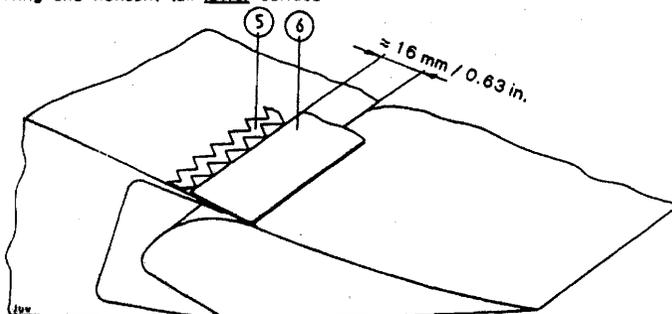
3.3 Wing and horizontal tail lower surface:

Remove protective backing from plastic fairing strip (6) (Mylar foil 22-15 mm wide) and stick it on to the wing and horizontal tail lower surfaces, by means of its adhesive film layer (Fig.6).

Press the adhesive zones of the plastic fairing strip firmly down on the surface using a soft wooden block (e.g: Balsal), or a hard rubber roller!

Then the zig-zag-tape (5) is stuck on abutting the edge of the plastic fairing strip (6). (See the NOTE under point 3.2).

Fig.6 Wing and horizontal tail lower surface

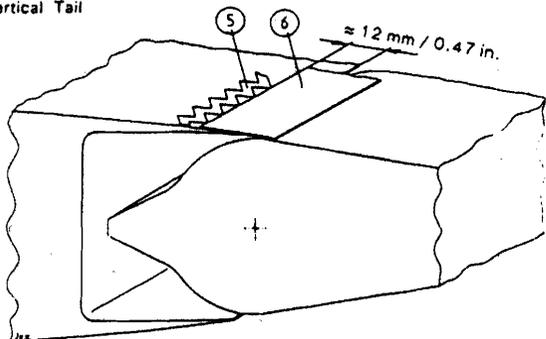


3.4 Vertical tail:

There are no recessed steps at the fin. As shown in Fig.7 the plastic fairing strip (6) (Mylar foil, 22-15 mm wide) is stuck on over the rudder-fin transition at the left and right side (with its adhesive film layer on the fin), then pressed firmly down on the surface.

Then the zig-zag-tape (5) is stuck on abutting the edge of the plastic fairing strip.

Fig.7 Vertical Tail



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 Zonenverklebung, um die Gefahr der Schalen-  
 High-Vibration nach dem Zusammenbau  
 Problem zu vermeiden und gleichzeitig zugfesten  
 oder Grundstruktur-Eigenschaften zu erhalten.

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Material:

	Wing Sur- faces		Horizontal Tail Sfce.s		Vertical Tail Sfce.s
	Upper	Lower	Upper	Lower	L & R *
(1) Temporary positioning tape Tesafilm No. 104, 12 mm wide	2x 2.85 m				
(2) Sealing/slip tape 3M Scotch Teflon Tape, 30 mm wide	2x 2.85 m		1x 3.10 m		
(3) Plastic fairing tape Mylar foil, 30-15 mm wide	2x 2.85 m		1x 3.10 m		
(4) Protective adhesive tape Tesafilm No. 104, white, 25 mm wide	2x 2.85 m				
(5) Zig-zag tape Mylar foil, 0.5mm thick; 12 mm wide		2x 2.85 m	1x 3.10 m	2x 1.50 m	2x 1.25 m
(6) Plastic fairing tape Mylar foil, 22-15 mm wide		2x 2.85 m		2x 1.50 m	2x 1.25 m

Optional in the place of (5) and (6):

(7) Combi-Zig-zag/plastic fairing tape Mylar foil, 38-20 mm wide		2x 2.85 m		2x 1.50 m	2x 1.25 m
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\* = left and right

The materials required can be obtained from Messrs. Schleicher.

Notes:

1. This action can be accomplished by a competent person.
2. In the place of the plastic fairing tape (6) and the zig-zag-tape (5) optionally a combi-Zig-zag/plastic fairing tape (7) may be glued on.
3. Ensure that the elastic lipseal is in tight contact with the surfaces of the controls even when they are fully deflected.  
The secure and firm adhesion of the elastic lip must be checked.

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The translation into English has been done by best knowledge and judgement; in any case of doubt the German original is controlling.

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## L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors

Effective Date: April 09, 1998

### Affected:

Kind of aeronautical product:	Aircraft
Manufacturer:	L'Hotellier
Type:	L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors with lock plates
Models affected:	ball and socket connectors <u>with lock plates</u>
Serial numbers affected:	all
German Type Certificate No.:	none

### Subject:

L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors with lock plates if installed in sailplanes, powered sailplanes and aeroplanes

### Reason:

Reported incidents involving L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors have prompted the LBA to have investigations made as to the operational safety of L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors.

The results have shown that the friction surfaces of the lock plates will be run in and smoothed after a relatively small number of operations. As has been demonstrated in the tests, in this case even normal operating conditions are sufficient under unfavourable circumstances to surmount the static friction (i.e. the lock plates open).

The a.m. airworthiness deficiency may result in inadvertent disconnect of the L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors and thus to considerable operational malfunctions.

Controllability of the aircraft may be affected or even lost so that the defect may lead to an accident.

The reason for the issue of the second edition in April 1994 was the revision of the L'Hotellier Instruction for Maintenance by which the roundness tolerance of the ball was increased from max. 0.05 mm to 0.1 mm.

The ball and socket connectors are to be secured by means of safety pins, Uerlings sleeves or Uerlings type sleeves.

This AD has been issued as a result of several occurrences with Uerlings type sleeves. For well-founded reasons, especially these sleeves are to be inspected for absence of cracks and sufficient self-locking ability and, if necessary, are to be replaced.

### Action:

The Lufffahrt-Bundesamt emphasizes the fact that all pilots have to familiarize themselves with the particularities of L'Hotellier connectors, especially with the different locking systems and their handling.

The ball and socket connectors with lock plates are to be secured. For this purpose, the following actions are to be accomplished:

1. Safety pins (e.g. L'H 140-31 made by Hotellier), have to be retrofitted, if not yet installed. In certain cases, it may become necessary to re-bore the hole in the lock plate, which is provided for visual inspection, to  $\varnothing$  1.2 mm so that the safety pin can be inserted (see attachment section I).

The use of a safety pin can be waived if the L'Hotellier ball and socket connector is already equipped with an approved locking system (e.g. Uerlings type sleeve, LS locking sleeve, Schempp-Hirth spring or Wedekind locking system) or if such a system is to be installed.

LBA approved locking systems: see attachment section II.

Uerlings type sleeves (specification number SE-001/78) as well as LS locking sleeves can only be used for straight joints and transmissions, but cannot be used for 90° joints.

### Inspection of Uerlings Type Sleeves

Enquiries regarding this Airworthiness Directive should be referred to Mr. Olaf Schneider, Airworthiness Directive Section at the above address, fax-no. 0049 531/2355-254. Please note, that in case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the German issue!



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Inspection of these sleeves for the absence of cracks and sufficient locking force (self-locking ability), replacement of the sleeves, if necessary (see attachment part III).

### Installation information:

The sleeves have to be slid axially onto the L'Hotellier ball and socket connector, they may by no means be clipped radially onto the L'Hotellier ball and socket connector. Radial clipping (excessive opening of the sleeve) may lead to cracks or ruptures due to overstressing so that the sleeve cannot function properly any more.

### Annual inspection of sleeves:

The sleeves shall be inspected at least once a year for the absence of cracks and sufficient locking force (self-locking ability). In the original specification for the Uerlings sleeves a biannual replacement interval is assumed. Deviations from this provision are stated in the technical information by the manufacturers.

2. Flight Manual
  - a) Section "Rigging"

The recommendation: „The lock plate of L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors should be secured“... given in several Flight Manuals in the a.m. or in a similar form is to be deleted and to be replaced by the following sentence:

„The L'Hotellier ball and socket connector must be secured.“

- b) If older Flight Manuals do not contain information about L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors, section IV (see attachment) is to be included in the Flight Manual under the Section "Rigging", if the L'Hotellier connector is or is to be secured by means of a safety pin. If necessary, the entry is to be included on a new page.
- c) If Uerlings type sleeves are used as additional locking systems for L'Hotellier connectors, section III of the attachment is to be included in the Flight Manual.

These entries in the Flight Manual may be hand-written or inserted as a copy indicating the AD-No. 1993-001/3 in the Flight Manual.

The amendment is to be entered in the list of effective pages indicating the AD-No. 1993-001/3.

3. Maintenance Manual

The enclosed Instructions for Maintenance (L'Hotellier, issue E 03/94) become herewith part of the operating instructions and are to be included in the aircraft Maintenance Manual - as far as this has not been done already by the manufacturers of the sailplanes, powered sailplanes, and aeroplanes concerned.

- 4.

All L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors are to be inspected in accordance with the above Instructions for Maintenance. Connectors exceeding the allowable tolerances are to be replaced.

### Note:

Type-related technical information already published by the manufacturer or by the product support organisation for L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors become part of this AD.

### The safety pins are available from:

- L'Hotellier safety pin, reference no. L'H 140-31
- safety pin  $\varnothing$  1.2 mm, Ford reference no. 1473 931 (worldwide)
- manufacturers or product support organisations for the sailplane, powered sailplane or aeroplane types concerned

### Compliance:

Locking of L'Hotellier connectors:

- on sailplanes and powered sailplanes not later than April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1994.
- on aeroplanes not later than May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1998.

### Inspection of the Uerlings type sleeves on all aircraft:

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With the next annual inspection but not later than May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1998, and thereafter at least once a year.

**Technical publication by the manufacturer:**

-none-

**Accomplishment and log book entry:**

Action to be accomplished by an approved maintenance organisation and to be checked and entered in the log book by a licensed inspector.

**Note:**

This AD supersedes the AD-No. 1993-001/2 dated April 20, 1994.

**Holders of affected aircraft registered in Germany have to observe the following:**

As a result of the a.m. deficiencies, the airworthiness of the aircraft is affected to such an extent that after the expiry of the a.m. dates the aircraft may be operated only after proper accomplishment of the prescribed actions. In the interest of aviation safety outweighing the interest of the receiver in a postponement of the prescribed actions, the immediate compliance with this AD is to be directed.

**Instructions about Available Legal Remedies:**

An appeal to this notice may be raised within a period of one month following notification. Appeals must be submitted in writing or registered at the Luftfahrt-Bundesamt, Lilienthalplatz 6, 38108 Braunschweig.

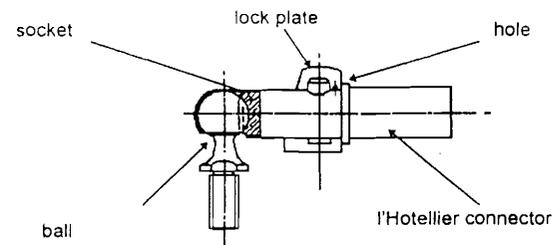
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**Section I**

**L'Hotellier ball and socket connectors with lock plate**

If the connectors are not yet equipped with safety pins (e.g. l'H 140-31 made by Hotellier), these safety pins have to be retrofitted. In certain cases it may become necessary to rebore the hole in the lock plate, which is provided for visual inspection, to  $\varnothing 1.2$  mm so that the safety pin can be inserted.



**Warning!**

Unsecured ball and socket connectors may open automatically in flight!

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LBA-approved locking systems

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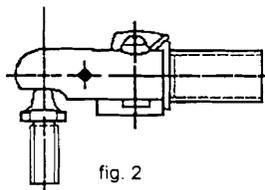


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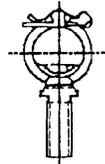


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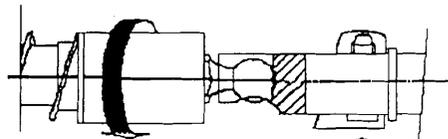


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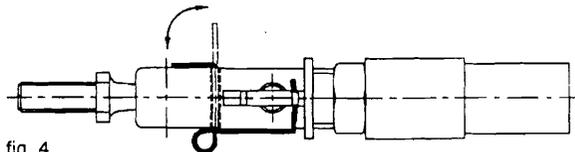


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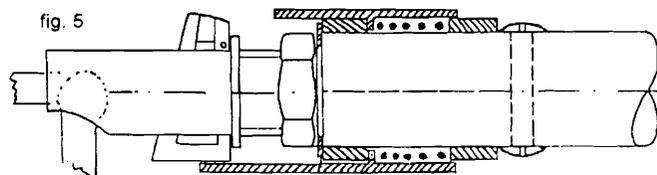


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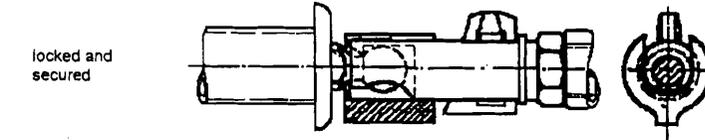
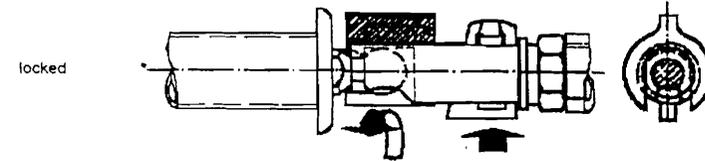
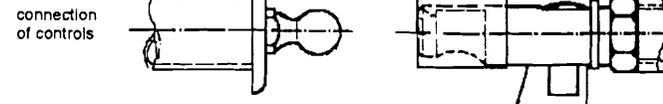
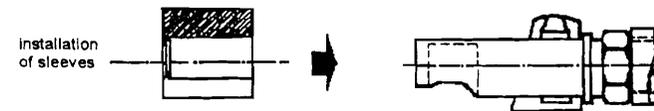
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They may **by no means** be clipped radially onto the l'Hotellier ball and socket connector. Radial clipping (excessive opening of the sleeve) may lead to cracks or ruptures due to overstressing so that the sleeve cannot function properly any more.



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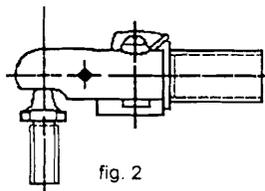


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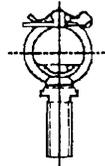


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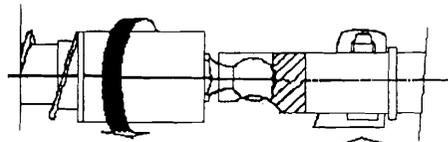


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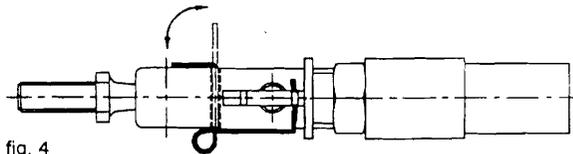


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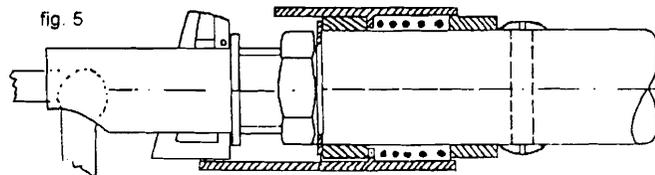


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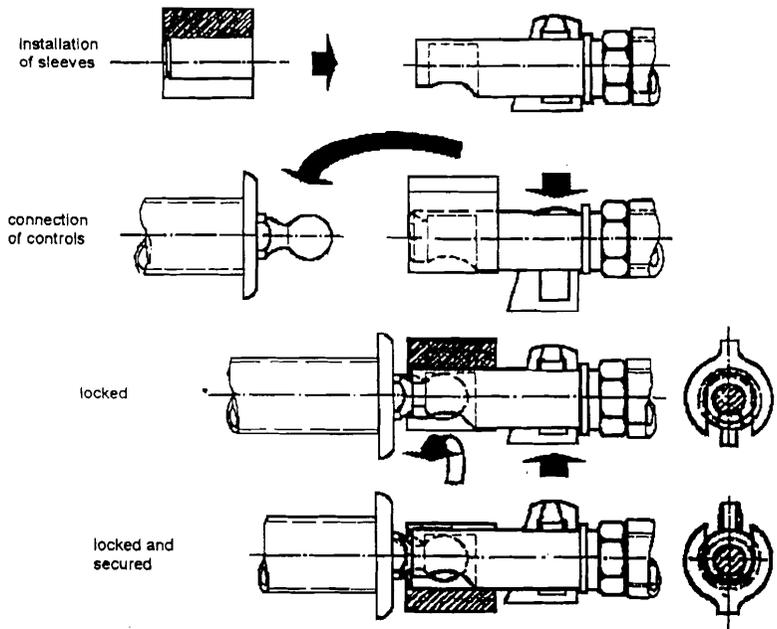
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Section IV

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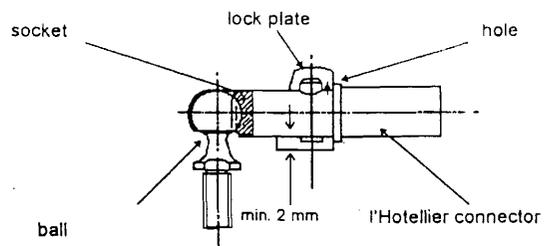
Prior to the installation of ball and socket connectors, everyone has to familiarize himself with their functioning.

The socket is to be slid completely over the ball with the lock plate pressed down. During locking the lock plate moves back slightly so that in a correct connection the hole on the narrow edge of the lock plate becomes visible.

The safety pin is to be inserted in this hole thus securing the ball and socket connector.

Attention:

By loading the connection full engagement of the ball is to be verified!



Warning!

Unsecured ball and socket connectors may open automatically in flight.

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### 1 - PREVENTIVE AND SAFETY MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

The rotation of the swivel around the ball must be done with resisting strength, due to minimum frictions. Consequently it is mandatory to lubricate the swivel/ball assy. This lubrication must be done after cleaning and before assembly, with a non cold coagulating grease.

Eg : ESSO purpose (general use) :

Spray containing oils enriched with silicone (recommended for assemblies exposed to sand or other abrasive materials).

It is mandatory to verify, after each assembly, the correct location of the ball in the swivel. To do so, a location hole is drilled in the locker. When the assembly is good, the hole must be visible and must enable to insert the pin "B" réf. L'H 140-31, or other devices, linked to the locker only.

### 2 - PERIODICAL CHECK

During the annual visit or no later than every 500 flight hours, it is necessary to verify balls and swivels as follows :

#### 2.1. FREE MOVEMENT OF THE BALL INTO THE HOUSING

- Check that the ball move free of friction point.
- Check the angular displacement.
- Check that there is no crack at the base of the ball

#### 2.2. BALL SPHERICITY MEASUREMENT (See fig. 2)

The variation between several measures of the ball diameter must not exceed 0,1 mm.  
This check aim is to detect an abnormal ball wear.

#### 2.3. BALL THREAD CHECK

No thread damage is acceptable. During reassembly the collar must be perfectly set on its base. It is mandatory to fix the ball in position with an adequate locking device.

#### 2.4. SWIVEL VISUAL CHECK

No deformation or panning in ball location or in the locking device seat is acceptable.

#### 2.5. MEASUREMENT OF THE LOCKER LOWER PART PROJECTION AFTER ASSEMBLY OF THE SWIVEL ON THE BALL (see fig. 1)

This projection must be higher than 2 mm.

The aim of this requirement is to verify the efficiency of the automatic take up clearance

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### 2.6. CHECK OF THE LINK BETWEEN DRIVE ROD AND SWIVEL

In the case of an adjustable swivel, verify that the link between swivel and drive rod is tight and properly secured by an adequate locking device.

### 2.7. SWIVEL ASSY OPERATION CHECK

Seat or locker : no clamping, due to oxydation or other reason, is acceptable.

After these verifications, one of the above check is out of tolerance, it is mandatory to replace both ball and swivel.  
nevertheless it is recommended to replace this assembly every 10 years or every 3000 flight hours.

### IMPORTANT NOTE

Any defection parts may be returned to Ets Louis L'HOTELLIER for technical investigation.

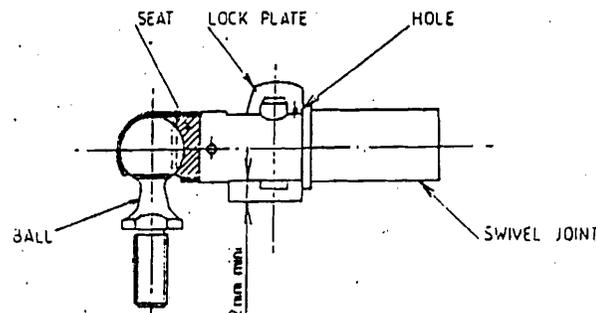


FIG. 1

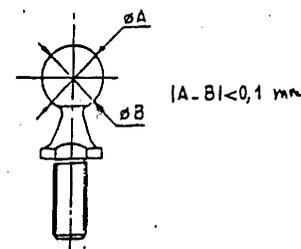
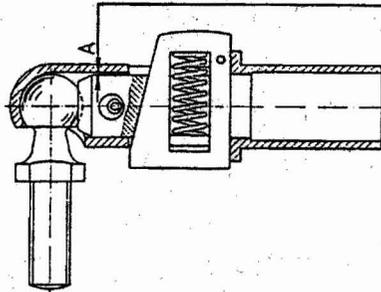


FIG. 2

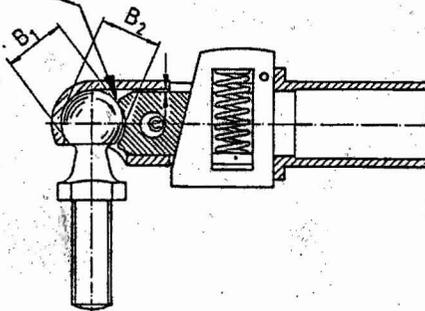
2. Inspection

As experience accumulated in Australia has shown, the condition of the L'HOTELLIER connectors must be checked on every annual inspection of the aircraft, especially when it has been operated frequently and from sandy airfields.

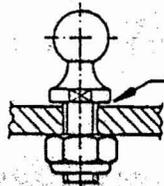


Clearance A must not exceed 0,15 mm (0,006 in); check this by using a wire of the above diameter!

Bad wedging effect causing wear of the ball.



The greatest and smallest diameters B to be found must not differ by more than 0,1 mm (0,004 in).



The tight seat of the ball ends inside the fittings must be checked as loose ball ends are likely to break under bending loads in the thread area.

Gap generated by an unscrewed and incorrectly refitted ball end or owing to overloading /wear out of the lever part.