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# NONDESTRUCTIVE TEST MANUAL

## PART 2 - X-RAY

### RIB-TO-REAR SPAR INTERSECTIONS RS 106.142 TO RS 181.034

#### 1. Purpose

A. To detect internal damage at all rib-to-rear spar intersections between RS 106.142 and RS 181.034.

NOTE: Extensive fractures in which member displacement has not occurred might not be detectable.

#### 2. Equipment

A. Any radiographic equipment that satisfies the performance requirements of this procedure is suitable. The following equipment was used to develop this procedure.

- (1) X-ray generator -- Andrex 100 kv, 6 ma, side emission constant potential, portable unit, operating at 30 kv.
- (2) Film -- Kodak AA Readypack (ASTM Class II).
- (3) Processor -- Automatic

#### 3. Preparation for Inspection

- A. Carry out standard radiation safety procedures.
- B. Identify inspection area and wipe surface clean (see Figure 1).

#### 4. Instrument Calibration

WARNING: X-RADIATION IS A POTENTIAL HEALTH HAZARD. CARRY OUT STANDARD RADIATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

- A. Position X-ray film for exposure No. 1 per Figure 1.
- B. Position X-ray generator for exposure No. 1 per Figure 1.
- C. Adjust generator settings to meet exposure parameters per Table 1.
- D. Expose film to obtain a density of between 1.8 and 2.5 in the area of radiographic interest, i.e., rear spar to skin flange.
- E. Repeat Paragraph 4.A. thru Paragraph 4.D. for exposures No. 2 and 3.
- F. Repeat exposures No. 1, 2 and 3 on opposite side of rudder by repeating steps Paragraph 4.A. thru Paragraph 4.E.

#### 5. Inspection Results

- A. Review the film giving particular attention to the following:
  - (1) Cracks in the flange-to-web radius of rear spar and ribs (Part 2, 51-00-02).
  - (2) Displacement or distortion of web structure (Part 2, 51-00-02).
  - (3) Water contamination in skin panels (Part 2, 51-00-01).

NOTE: Radiographs may not show internal damage unless structural displacement has occurred. Visually inspect areas of concern for fastener pull-through, skin distortion or cracked paint around fasteners and reevaluate films.

Table 1 X-ray Generator And Film Parameters

EXPOSURE NUMBER	FILM			SFD	GENERATOR SETTINGS	
	POSITION	ASTM CLASS	SIZE		KV	MAS
1	1	II	14 x 17	60	30	300

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EXPOSURE NUMBER	FILM			SFD	GENERATOR SETTINGS	
	POSITION	ASTM CLASS	SIZE		KV	MAS
2	2	II	14 x 17	60	30	300
3	3	II	14 x 17	60	30	300

NOTE: Generator settings shown should be used only as a guide. Equipment, film and processing differences can significantly affect generator setting requirements. The above parameters were developed using an automatic processor.

NOTE: A density of between 1.8 and 2.5 is required in the area of radiographic interest.

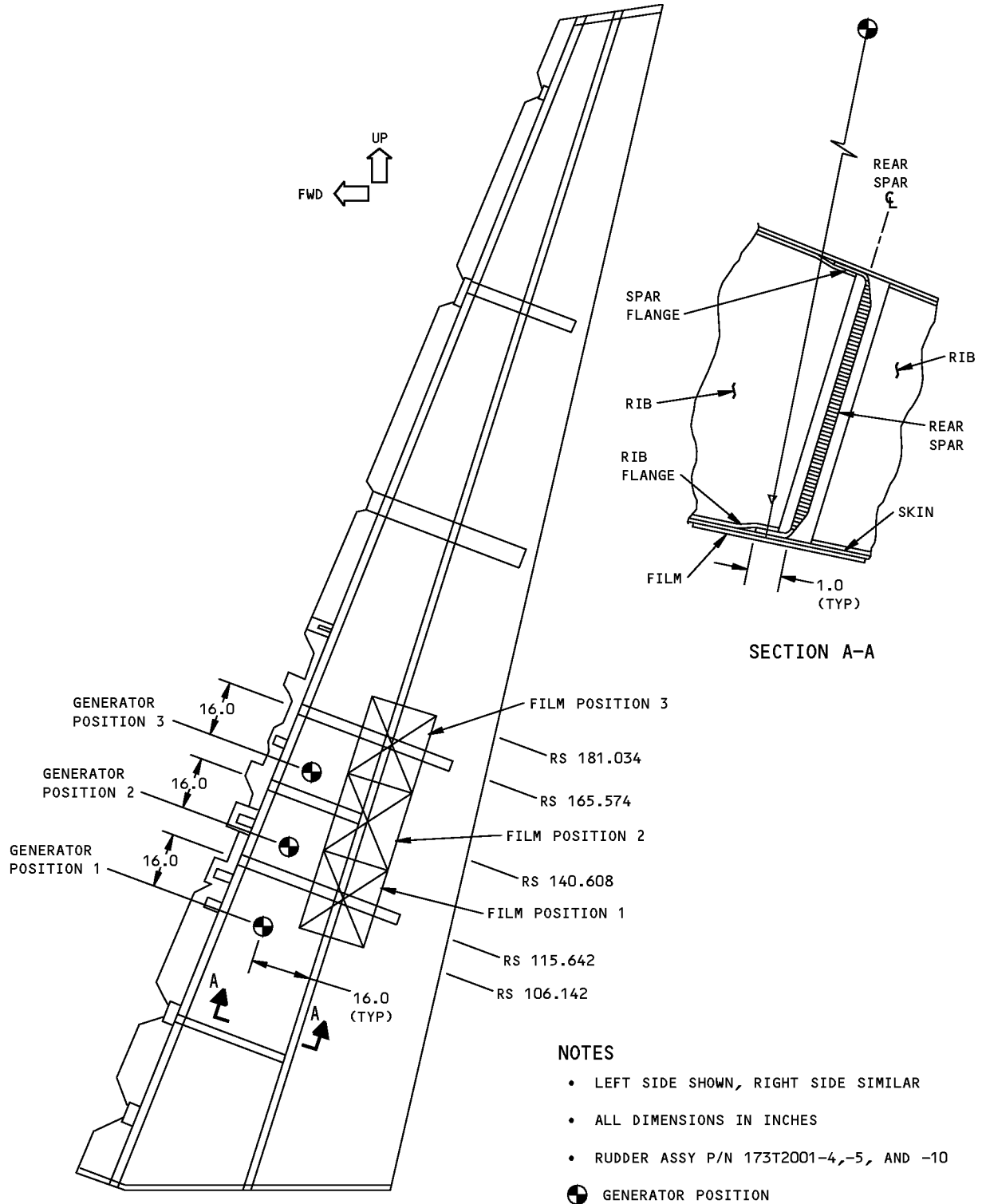
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**Rudder Assembly  
Figure 1**

**NOTES**

- LEFT SIDE SHOWN, RIGHT SIDE SIMILAR
- ALL DIMENSIONS IN INCHES
- RUDDER ASSY P/N 173T2001-4,-5, AND -10
-  GENERATOR POSITION

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