DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY TECHNICAL BULLETIN

CHANGES TO TAILBOOM INSPECTION INTERVAL AND RESCINDING OF FLIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON ALL OH-58D HELICOPTERS

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- 1. Priority Classification. Not applicable.
- 2. Task/inspection Suspense Date. Effective Immediately
- 3. Reporting Compliance Suspense Date. Not applicable
- 4. Summary of Problem.
- a. Due to cracking on the OH-58D tailboom in the area of the gearbox support assembly attachment, Safety of Flight Message OH-58-95-02 requires a Fluorescent Penetrant inspection every eight hours, and restricted forward indicated airspeed to a maximum of 80 knots except for maintenance test flights.
- b. The purpose of this Technical Bulletin is to change TB 1-1520-248-20-31 Inspection Interval from EIGHT HOURS to TEN HOURS and rescind the airspeed restriction after installation of vibration reducing hardware.
- 5. End Items to be Inspected. All OH-58D Model Helicopters.
- **6. Assembly Components to be inspected.** Not applicable.
- 7. Parts to be Inspected. Not applicable.

^{*}This TB supersedes USAATCOM SOF message OH-58-96-01, 041643Z Dec 1995

- **8. Inspection Procedures.** The recurring inspection interval of TB 1-1520-248-20-31 (SOF OH-58-95-02), paragraph 8.d., is changed from eight hours to ten hours.
- **9. Correction Procedures.** Aircraft with the following items installed in production, retrofit, or modified by Modification Work Order (MWO) 1-1520-248-50-05 are released from the 80 knot Indicated Airspeed Restriction, however, the inspection requirements of TB 1-1520-248-20-31 (SOF OH-58-95-02), paragraph 8.c. are still required every 10 hours for all aircraft per paragraph 8 above:

NOMENCLATURE	PART NUMBER
Horizontal Stabilizer Assembly (LH)	406-020-101-237
Horizontal Stabilizer Assembly (RH)	406-020-101-239
Vertical Stabilizer Support (FWD)	406-030-003-103
Vertical Stabilizer Support (AFT)	406-030-003-101
Vertical Stabilizer Assembly	406-961-025-109
or Vertical Stabilizer Assembly	406-961-025-111

NOTE

Vertical Stabilizer Supports 406-030-003-103 and 406-030-004-101 have an interim retirement interval of 500 hours.

- **10.** Supply/Parts and Disposition. Not applicable.
- 11. Special Tools, Jigs and Fixtures Required. Not Applicable.
- **12. Application.** Not Applicable.
- 13. References.

TB 1-1520-248-20-31, Visual Inspections of Tailbooms on all OH-58D Helicopters (SOF OH-58D-95-02, 222140Z Mar 95).

- 14. Recording and Reporting Requirements.
 - a. Reporting Compliance Suspense Date (Aircraft). Not applicable.
- b. The following forms are applicable and are to be completed in accordance with DA Pam 738-751, 15 Jun 92.
 - (1) DA Form 2408-13-1, Aircraft Inspection and Maintenance Record.
 - (2) DA Form 2408-15, Historical Record for Aircraft.
 - (3) DA Form 2408-18, Equipment Inspection List.
- **15.** Weight and Balance. Not applicable.
- 16. Points of Contact for this Technical Bulletin.
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