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SUBJECT: One-Time Visual Inspection of Main Rotor (M/R) Blade Assemblies and Implement a Recurring Visual Inspection for Cracks and/or any other Anomalies

Section 1. PLANNING INFORMATION

A. Effectivity All 269D Configuration "A" model helicopters.

Component: M/R Blade Assembly, Part Number (P/N) 269D1120-001.

- B. Purpose To perform a one-time inspection of M/R Blade Assemblies for nicks, gouges, dents, ripples, gaps, scratches, and cracks and to provide instructions to implement a recurring inspection of the M/R Blade Assemblies.
- C. Description Helicopter is prepared for maintenance. A one-time inspection of M/R Blade Assemblies for nicks, gouges, dents, ripples, gaps, scratches, and cracks is performed. If any of the M/R Blade Assemblies fail the inspection performed in this Alert Service Bulletin (ASB), and/or any discrepancies are found, remove the M/R Blade Assembly from service and contact Sikorsky Aircraft Corp. for further instruction and disposition. Record findings in the ASB Work Sheet (Section 3.E). If M/R Blade Assemblies pass this inspection, helicopter is returned to service.

A recurring inspection of the M/R Blade Assemblies is implemented in accordance with the Temporary Revisions listed in Section M., Publications Affected.

D. Compliance Compliance is essential. Inspection must be accomplished within the next 10 flight hours or 30 days from the issue date of this ASB, whichever occurs first.

The implementation of the recurring inspection shall be accomplished subsequent to the one-time inspection.

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Section 1. PLANNING INFORMATION (Continued)

- E. Approval Inspection item.
- F. Manpower (Estimated)

| Task | No. of Men | No. of Hours** | Man-Hours* |
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| M/R Blade Assembly Inspection | 1 | 0.76 | <u>0.8</u> |
| Total Man-Hours | | | 0.8 |

*Estimate does not include time required to prepare helicopter or return it to flight status. **If replacement of blade assembly is required, add an additional 2.1 man-hours.

- G. Material
 - (1) Magnifying glass (10X) (commercially available or equivalent).
 - (2) High intensity light (commercially available or equivalent).
- H. Tooling

None.

I. Weight and Balance

Not Affected.

J. Electrical Load Data

Not Affected.

K. Software Load Data

Not Applicable.

L. References

Handbook of Maintenance Instructions (HMI) CSP-D-9.

- M. Publications Affected
 - (1) HMI CSP-D-9, Appendix B.
 - (2) HMI CSP-D-9, Section 8.
 - (3) Temporary Revision No. 269DA-21, against HMI CSP-D-9, Section 8.
 - (4) Temporary Revision No. 269DA-22, against HMI CSP-D-9, Appendix B.

Section 1. PLANNING INFORMATION (Continued)

N. Attachment

None.

Section 2. MATERIAL INFORMATION

A. Basis for Material Data

Per helicopter.

B. Bill of Material

None.

C. Consumable Material

None.

Section 3. ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Prepare helicopter for inspection:
 - (1) Turn off all helicopter electrical power.
- B. Perform M/R Blade Visual Inspection:

NOTE: Refer to Figure 1 for example of cracking.

- (1) Visually inspect M/R blade in the midspan region of transition from the basic blade to the droop-nose/extended trailing edge trim tab. Refer to Figure 2.
 - (a) Inspect the trailing edge tab and tab-skin corner radius five inches spanwise on either side of this radius and six inches forward of the trailing edge of the basic airfoil for the presence of any nicks, gouges, dents, and/or any other anomalies.
 - (b) If evidence of any damage is found in this area, refer to damage allowable criteria (HMI CSP-D-9, Paragraph 8-11).
 - (c) Inspect upper and lower blade skins for evidence of any cracks, ripples, dents or any other deformation. Cracks of any size, regardless of location, are unacceptable and cause for rejection of the blade. If any evidence of cracking is found, remove M/R blade from service.
 - (d) Record findings in the ASB Work Sheet (Section E).
- (2) Using a 10x magnifying glass, or equivalent, and high intensity light, or equivalent, perform visual inspection of the tab-skin corner radius area of the extended trim tab. Refer to Figure 3.

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Section 3. ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- (a) Inspect the area two inches spanwise on either side of this radius and two inches forward of the trailing edge of the basic airfoil section. Cracks of any size, regardless of location, are unacceptable and cause for rejection of the blade. If any evidence of cracking is found, remove blade from service.
- (b) If any damage is found in this area that was not identified during the previous visual inspection, refer to damage allowable criteria (HMI CSP-D-9, Paragraph 8-11) prior to rejecting M/R blade.
- (c) If a rejected condition is found, fill out attached Sikorsky Engineering Evaluation return form and ASB Work Sheet (Section E). Forward M/R Blade Assembly and completed forms to:

Helicopter Support, Inc. (HSI) URGENT: Engineering Evaluation Attn: SAS Commercial Aircraft Product Support 300 Montowese Avenue Extension North Haven, CT 06473

- (1) Complete attached ASB Work Sheet (Section E) and return with compliance card.
- C. Return helicopter to service.
- D. Implement recurring inspection as follows:
 - (1) Review and comply with Temporary Revisions listed in Section M, Publications Affected, of this ASB.

Section 3. ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- E. ASB Work Sheet:
 - (1) Was any damage evident during the visual inspection? _____ No _____ Yes

If 'Yes', list type of damage, location, and size for each indication:

| Type (nick, gouge, dent, etc.) | Location (distance from feature) | Size of Damage (in.) |
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(2) Was any damage evident during the 10x magnified inspection? _____ No _____ Yes

If 'Yes', list type of damage, location and size for each indication:

| Type (nick, gouge, dent, etc.) | Location (distance from feature) | Size of Damage (in.) |
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(3) Where cracks of any size or form evident during this inspection?

_____ No _____ Yes

(4) Was M/R blade rejected from service? _____ No _____ Yes

If 'Yes', list criteria:

(5) Was M/R blade removed from service? _____ No _____ Yes

If 'Yes', list criteria:

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Section 3. ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- F. Record of Compliance:
 - (1) Make an appropriate helicopter logbook entry to show compliance with this ASB.
 - (2) Upon compliance with the ASB, complete attached ALERT SERVICE BULLETIN COMPLIANCE RECORD CARD and ASB Work Sheet (Section E) and return it to Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation.

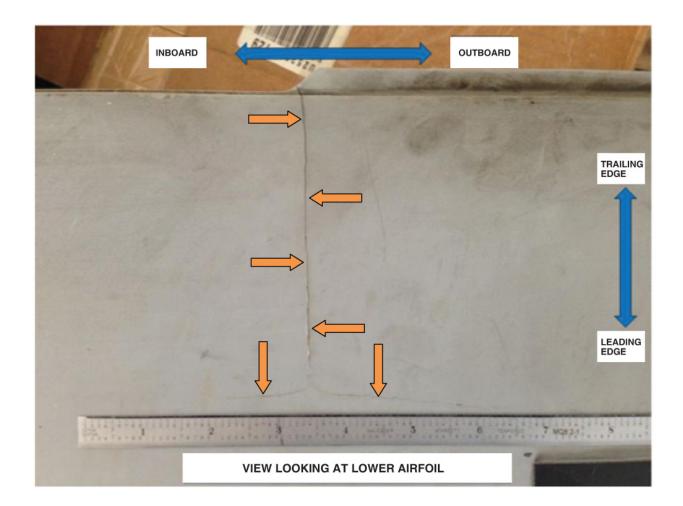


Figure 1. Blade Crack Condition

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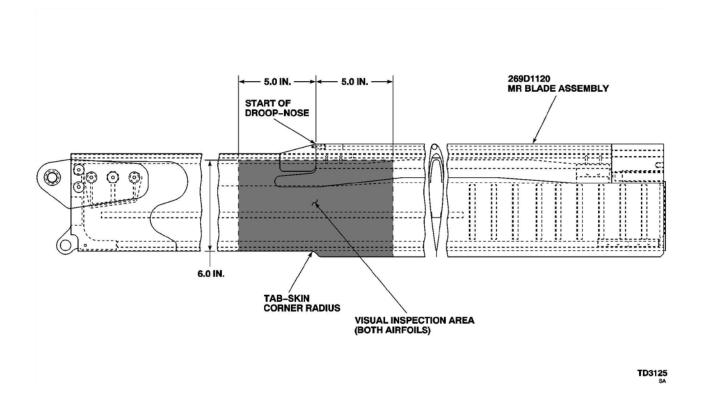
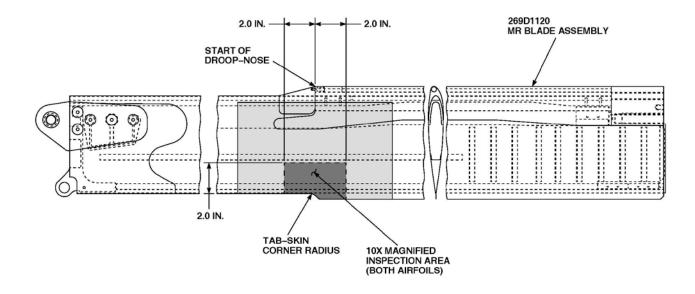


Figure 2. Visual Inspection Area of Blade



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Figure 3. Magnified Inspection Area of Blade

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Return for Sikorsky Engineering Evaluation

RETURN INSTRUCTIONS:

Return parts indicated below to Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation by the fastest traceable means with the following information:

| Send to: | URGE Attn: S 300 N | NT: Engin | ort, Inc. (H.S.I.) neering Evaluation nercial Aircraft Produ e Avenue Extensio CT 06473 | | |
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| Reason for Removal <u>F</u> | ailed Ins | spection Pe | er ASB | | |
| Helicopter Serial Num | ber | | A/C Hours at Re | moval: | |
| Date Removed: | | Con | nponent Hours at Re | moval: | |
| TSR: | | | | TSO: <u>NA</u> | |
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| Sikorsky FTR # | | | | | |
| Sikorsky RFA # | | | | | |
| Requested by custom (if Sikorsky, please lis | | | orsky – Jake Fehrma | <u>an</u> | |
| Remarks: Send blade | e to Mat- | Lab Attn P | ete Zovas | | |
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ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fax or email a copy of this form with shipping information (AWB#, Flight#, Shipper Tracking#) as applicable to +1 860-353-6557 or sascommercialproduct@utc.com Include a copy of this form in the box with the part.

- 2. If a Sikorsky FSR is on-site, obtain the FTR # from him/her and record in the spaces above, if not already annotated.
- 3. Any questions regarding the return of this part should be directed to the Requestor listed above.

(Fold over and tape closed)

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FACSIMILE NUMBER (860) 998-7565

EMAIL ADDRESS: <u>GPSIKSASProductSafet@utc.com</u>

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| - 1 | returning this ENTIRE PAGE by MAIL, FAX, or scan & EMAIL. |
| | If you have internet access, you may go to <u>www.sikorsky.com</u> to record your compliance. |
| prop | ase fill in the requested information at the bottom of the page, so we may maintain er records documenting the configuration of your aircraft. This information is usefu when determining configuration and effectivity of issues affecting fielded aircraft. |
| This | request is in keeping with our policy to assure that our customers receive the latest information applicable for the maintenance of your aircraft. Thank you. |
| ALEI | RT SERVICE BULLETIN: ASB No. DB-046 Compliance Record Card |
| TITL | E: One-Time Visual Inspection of Main Rotor (M/R) Blade Assemblies and Implement a |
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