Bulletin 120596MV

Date: Thursday, December 05, 1996

Re: Maverick Main Wing Spar assembly

Low Urgency: Medium High ←

Information:

URGENT - THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS PERTENANT TO THE SAFE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WING SPAR. IF YOUR MAVERICK IS COMPLETE AND FLYING, CONSIDER THIS A GROUNDING NOTICE

In April of 1995 a modification to the Maverick wing was implemented to increase achieved by adding an Upper Spar Cap Tube, W-406 to the spar assembly.

However, at this time, an oversight in our Technical Department occurred. When this change was implemented, the rivets used should have changed to RV-1414, 1/8" x 5/16" rivet from the shorter RV-1410.

Builders are requested to check their spar assembly for proper rivet setting. There is chance that some builders have recieved the proper rivets or caught the mistake and taken appropriate action to rectify it. Most likely, those builders receiving kits after April 1995 have the wrong rivet.

THESE RIVETS MUST BE REPLACED AND MUST BE REPLACED IMMEDIATELY FOR ANY MAVERICKS CURRENTLY FLYING.

One way to check is to compare the "bulb" at the end of the rivet in comparison to other rivets. Where the RV-1414 rivet is required, the RV-1410 rivet will not have a "bulb", and in fact will pull easily from the material.

Should you have any further questions, please contact our Technical Department. Should you require these new rivets, please contact the Shipping Department.

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