



De Havilland Moth - Inspection of Wooden
Structure

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1. Applicability

All de Havilland Moth series aircraft.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this Airworthiness Bulletin (AWB) is to inform owners and operators of the need to inspect their aircraft using Technical News Sheet Series CT(Moth) No 32 Issue 3 - Inspection of Wooden Structure.

3. Background

- The initial issue of the Technical News Sheet (TNS) No 32, previously entitled "Flight Limitations" was originally raised by British Aerospace as the immediate response to an in-flight wing failure suffered by a DH82A Tiger Moth whilst performing aerobatics.
- As a result of ten years of inspection information de Havilland Support Ltd have issued TNS No 32 Issue 3 to promote an evidence-based approach to the depth of structural inspection and provide improved guidance to help in the identification of damage or deterioration in the wooden primary structure of Moth aircraft.
- As a result of de Havilland Support revising TNS 32 and the UK CAA cancelling AD 002-03-98, CASA has cancelled AD/DH 60/5 Amdt 1, AD/DH 82/11 Amdt 1, AD/DH 83/1, AD/DH 85/1 Amdt 1, AD/DH 87/2 Amdt 1 and AD/DH 94/1 Amdt 1.

4. Recommendation

CASA strongly recommends that owners and Operators of Moth aircraft incorporate Technical News Sheet Series CT(Moth) No 32 Issue 3 - Inspection of Wooden Structure into their aircraft's maintenance program.

5. Enquiries

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