

18, 1998, Revision 1, dated October 30, 1998, or Original, dated September 18, 1998.

(c) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Engine Certification Office. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may

add comments and then send it to the Manager, Engine Certification Office.

**Note 3:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Engine Certification Office.

(d) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the aircraft to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(e) The actions required by this AD shall be done in accordance with the following GE CF6-80C2 ASBs:

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(f) This amendment becomes effective on January 21, 1999.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on December 23, 1998.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39**

[Docket No. 98-CE-101-AD; Amendment 39-10977; AD 99-01-11]

RIN 2120-AA64

**Airworthiness Directives; The Uninsured Relative Workshop Inc. Vector Parachute Systems**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD) that applies to all The Uninsured Relative Workshop Inc. (doing business as and

referred to herein as Relative Workshop) vector parachute systems that were manufactured between January 1, 1996, and September 10, 1998. This AD requires inspecting the amp fittings on the end of the breakaway housing for proper swaging, and re-swaging any incorrectly swaged fittings using the Nicopress® or Swage-It swaging tool. This AD is the result of a quality control problem on Relative Workshop vector parachute systems. In particular, a loose amp fitting was found on the breakaway housing during packing of one of these vector parachute systems. Further analysis reveals that the amp fittings on the end of the stainless steel breakaway housing were improperly swaged, and that this condition could exist on any of the 2,127 parachute systems that were manufactured during the above-referenced time period. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent the amp fittings from coming off the stainless steel breakaway housing, which could result in an unintentional partial breakaway of the main chute and interference with the deployment of the reserve parachute.

**DATES:** Effective January 29, 1999.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of January 29, 1999.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before February 26, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 98-CE-101-AD, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

Service information that applies to this AD may be obtained from Relative Workshop, 1645 North Lexington Avenue, DeLand, Florida 32724; telephone: (904) 736-7589; facsimile: (904) 734-7537. This information may also be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 98-CE-101-AD, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, suite 700, Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Donald J. Young, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office, One Crown Center, 1895 Phoenix Boulevard, suite 450, Atlanta, Georgia 30349; telephone: (770) 703-6079; facsimile: (770) 703-6097.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Discussion**

The FAA has received information regarding a quality control problem on Relative Workshop vector parachute systems. A loose amp fitting on the breakaway housing was found during packing of one of these Relative Workshop vector parachute systems. Further analysis reveals that the amp fittings on the end of the stainless steel breakaway housing were improperly swaged. This problem could exist on any of the 2,127 Relative Workshop vector parachute system that were manufactured between January 1, 1996, and September 10, 1998.

This condition, if not detected and corrected in a timely manner, could result in an unintentional partial breakaway of the main chute and

interference with deployment of the reserve parachute.

#### Relevant Service Information

Relative Workshop has issued Product Service Bulletin #091098-B, dated September 10, 1998, which specifies procedures for inspecting the amp fittings on the end of the breakaway housing for proper swaging, and re-swaging any incorrectly swaged fittings using the Nicopress® or Swage-It swaging tool.

#### The FAA's Determination

After examining the circumstances and reviewing all available information related to the incident described above, including the above-referenced service information, the FAA has determined that AD action should be taken to prevent the amp fittings from coming off the stainless steel breakaway housing, which could result in an unintentional partial breakaway of the main chute and interference with the deployment of the reserve parachute.

#### Explanation of the Provisions of the AD

Since an unsafe condition has been identified that is likely to exist or develop in other The Uninsured Relative Workshop Inc. vector parachute systems that were manufactured between January 1, 1996, and September 10, 1998, the FAA is issuing an AD. This AD requires inspecting the amp fittings on the end of the breakaway housing for proper swaging, and re-swaging any incorrectly swaged fittings using the Nicopress® or Swage-It swaging tool. Accomplishment of the actions specified in this AD is required in accordance with Relative Workshop Product Service Bulletin #091098-B, dated September 10, 1998.

#### Determination of the Effective Date of the AD

Since a situation exists that requires the immediate adoption of this regulation, it is found that notice and opportunity for public prior comment hereon are impracticable, and that good cause exists for making this amendment effective in less than 30 days.

#### Comments Invited

Although this action is in the form of a final rule that involves requirements affecting immediate flight safety and, thus, was not preceded by notice and opportunity to comment, comments are invited on this rule. Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted

in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered, and this rule may be amended in light of the comments received. Factual information that supports the commenter's ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of the AD action and determining whether additional rulemaking action would be needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report that summarizes each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this AD will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this rule must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 98-CE-101-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

#### Regulatory Impact

The regulations adopted herein will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this final rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

The FAA has determined that this regulation is an emergency regulation that must be issued immediately to correct an unsafe condition in parachutes, and is not a significant regulatory action under Executive Order 12866. It has been determined further that this action involves an emergency regulation under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979). If it is determined that this emergency regulation otherwise would be significant under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures, a final regulatory evaluation will be prepared and placed in the Rules Docket (otherwise, an evaluation is not required). A copy of it, if filed, may be obtained from the Rules Docket.

#### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

#### Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

#### PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

#### § 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding a new airworthiness directive (AD) to read as follows:

**99-01-11 The Uninsured Relative Workshop Inc. (doing business as and referred to herein as Relative Workshop):** Amendment 39-10977; Docket No. 98-CE-101-AD.

*Applicability:* All Vector II and III Parachute Systems That Were Manufactured Between January 1, 1996, and September 10, 1998.

**Note 1:** This AD applies to any parachute system referenced in the Applicability section of this AD, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For those parachute systems that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (c) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

*Compliance:* Required prior to the next jump after the effective date of this AD, unless already accomplished.

To prevent the amp fittings from coming off the stainless steel breakaway housing, which could result in an unintentional partial breakaway of the main chute and interference with the deployment of the reserve parachute, accomplish the following:

(a) Inspect the amp fittings on the end of the breakaway housing for proper swaging, and re-swage any incorrectly swaged fittings using the Nicopress or Swage-It swaging tool. Accomplish these actions in accordance with Relative Workshop Product Service Bulletin #091098-B, dated September 10, 1998.

**Note 2:** The above-referenced service bulletin may be obtained from the manufacturer at the address in paragraph (d) of this AD or through the Internet at "http://www.relativeworkshop.com/".

(b) As of the effective date of this AD, no person shall put into service any of the affected parachute systems, unless the parachute system has been inspected and modified (as necessary), as specified in paragraph (a) of this AD.

(c) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an equivalent level of safety may be approved by the Manager, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), One Crown Center, 1895 Phoenix Boulevard, Suite 450, Atlanta, Georgia 30349. The request shall be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Atlanta ACO.

**Note 3:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Atlanta ACO.

(d) The inspection and modification required by this AD shall be done in accordance with Relative Workshop Product Service Bulletin #091098-B, dated September 10, 1998. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from Relative Workshop, 1645 North Lexington Avenue, DeLand, Florida 32724. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, suite 700, Washington, DC.

(e) This amendment becomes effective on January 29, 1999.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on December 22, 1998.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms**

**27 CFR Part 4**

[T.D. ATF-405; Ref. T.D. ATF-370; Notice Nos. 581, 749, 871]

RIN 1512-AB81

**Johannisberg Riesling; Deferral of Compliance Date (98R-406P)**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Final rule, Treasury decision.

**SUMMARY:** This final rule temporarily extends the applicability date with respect to the use of the term Johannisberg Riesling set forth in § 4.92(b) in T.D. ATF-370. The reason ATF is deferring this date is to allow for

the sufficient review and evaluation of comments and any additional information received as a result of a notice of proposed rulemaking, Notice Number 871, proposing to extend the phase-out for the term Johannisberg Riesling as a designation for American wines for an additional seven years.

**DATES:** This document is effective January 1, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Teri Byers, Regulations Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20226; Telephone (202) 927-8195, or e-mail: <thbyers@atfhq.atf.tres.gov>

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Treasury Decision ATF-370, 61 FR 522, January 8, 1996, adopted a list of grape variety names which ATF has determined to be appropriate for use in designating American wines. The Treasury decision did not include Johannisberg Riesling in the list of prime names, either as a prime grape name or as a synonym. Johannisberg Riesling was instead listed as an alternative name in § 4.92 for use in advertising and labeling wines only until January 1, 1999, after which the required varietal designation for this wine would be Riesling or the synonym White Riesling.

**Petition**

ATF received a petition from the law firm of Buchman & O'Brien, filed on behalf of trade associations representing United States wineries. This petition requests ATF to extend the phase-out period for the term Johannisberg Riesling for an additional seven years to January 1, 2006. The petition asserts that this change would allow American wineries additional time to educate the consumers and provide additional time for wineries to change labels, packaging, and merchandising material for this wine. Based on the evidence presented in the petition as well as documented support and marketing information, ATF is issuing a notice of proposed rulemaking that solicits comments and requests further information to determine whether the phase-out date should be extended to January 1, 2006.

Because ATF needs time to receive and consider the evidence produced as a result of this notice, ATF is temporarily extending the current phase-out date provided by T.D. ATF-370 for the term Johannisberg Riesling from January 1, 1999, to September 30, 1999. ATF wishes to make it clear that neither the airing of this petition nor the issuance of this rule represents any

change in ATF's position to eventually phase-out use of the term Johannisberg Riesling.

**Notice and Public Procedure**

Because this final rule merely postpones the compliance date with respect to the use of Johannisberg Riesling as an alternative name in T.D. ATF-370, and in view of the immediate need for time to solicit and review comments received as a result of the notice of proposed rulemaking discussed above, it is found to be impractical and contrary to the public interest to issue this rule with notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b), and with a 30-day delayed effective date under 5 U.S.C. 553(d).

**Regulatory Flexibility Act**

The provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act relating to a final regulatory flexibility analysis (5 U.S.C. 604) are not applicable to this final rule because the agency was not required to publish a general notice of proposed rulemaking under 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law.

**Executive Order 12866**

It has been determined that this final rule is not a significant regulatory action as defined in Executive Order 12866. Therefore, a Regulatory Assessment is not required.

**Paperwork Reduction Act**

The provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507) and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR Part 1320, do not apply to this final rule because no requirement to collect information is imposed.

**List of Subjects in 27 CFR Part 4**

Advertising, consumer protection, Customs duties and inspections, Imports, Labeling, Packaging and containers, Wine.

**Disclosure**

Copies of the petition, the notices, the Treasury decision, and all comments are available for public inspection during normal business hours at: ATF Reading Room, Room 6300, 650 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

**Drafting Information**

The principal author of this document is Ms. Teri Byers, Regulations Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority set forth in 27 U.S.C. 205(e), ATF is postponing the compliance date with respect to the use of the term Johannisberg Riesling set forth in 27 CFR 4.92(b) to September 30, 1999.