

(e) The replacement shall be done in accordance with Saab Service Bulletin 2000-29-016, dated April 17, 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 Saab Aircraft AB, SAAB Aircraft Product Support, S-581.88, Linköping, Sweden. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**Note 3:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Swedish airworthiness directive (SAD) 1-126, dated April 20, 1998.

(f) This amendment becomes effective on January 22, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 98-NM-221-AD; Amendment 39-10950; AD 98-26-10]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### **Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Model Mystere-Falcon 20 Series Airplanes, Fan Jet Falcon Series Airplanes, and Fan Jet Falcon Series D, E, and F Series Airplanes**

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to all Dassault Model Mystere-Falcon 20 series airplanes, Fan Jet Falcon series airplanes, and Fan Jet Falcon Series D, E, and F series airplanes, that requires revising the Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) to provide the flight crew with certain emergency procedures associated with an engine fire, or a rear compartment fire or overheat conditions. This amendment is prompted by issuance of mandatory continuing airworthiness information by a foreign civil airworthiness authority. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent fire from spreading throughout the airplane due to an engine fire, or with a rear compartment fire or overheat conditions.

**DATES:** Effective January 22, 1999.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of January 22, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Dassault Falcon Jet Corporation, Teterboro Airport, P.O. Box 2000, South Hackensack, New Jersey 07606. This information may be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Norman B. Martenson, Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-2110; fax (425) 227-1149.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to all Dassault Model Mystere-Falcon 20 series airplanes, Fan Jet Falcon series airplanes, and Fan Jet Falcon Series D, E, and F series airplanes was published in the **Federal Register** on October 15, 1998 (63 FR 55348). That action proposed to require revising the Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) to provide the flight crew with certain emergency procedures associated with an engine fire, or a rear compartment fire or overheat conditions.

#### **Comments**

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. No comments were submitted in response to the proposal or the FAA's determination of the cost to the public.

#### **Conclusion**

The FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require the adoption of the rule as proposed.

#### **Cost Impact**

The FAA estimates that 197 airplanes of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD, that it will take approximately 1 work hour per airplane to accomplish the required AFM revision, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$11,820, or \$60 per airplane.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of

the requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

#### **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.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this action (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A final evaluation has been prepared for this action and it is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained from the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

#### **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 the following new airworthiness directive:

**98-26-10 Dassault Aviation:** Amendment 39-10950. Docket 98-NM-221-AD.

**Applicability:** All Model Mystere-Falcon 20 series airplanes, Fan Jet Falcon series airplanes, and Fan Jet Falcon Series D, E, and F series airplanes; certificated in any category.

**Compliance:** Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To ensure that the flight crew is aware of the emergency procedures associated with an engine fire, or with a rear compartment fire or overheat conditions, and to prevent fire from spreading throughout the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Within 7 days after the effective date of this AD, revise the Limitations Section and Emergency Procedures Section of the FAA-approved Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) by accomplishing the action specified in either paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) For Model Mystere-Falcon 20 series airplanes: Insert a copy of Dassault 731 Falcon Retrofit 20 Airplane Flight Manual DTM30528, Revision 10, dated January 20, 1998, into the AFM.

(2) For Model Fan Jet Falcon series airplanes and Model Fan Jet Falcon Series D, E, and F series airplanes: Insert a copy of the Dassault Fan Jet Falcon Airplane Flight Manual DTM589/590/591/592, Revision 49, dated January 20, 1998, into the AFM.

(b) 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, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Operations Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

**Note 1:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of

compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

(c) 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 airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(d) The AFM revision shall be done in accordance with Dassault Fan Jet Falcon Airplane Flight Manual DTM589/590/591/592, Revision 49, dated January 20, 1998; or Dassault 731 Falcon Retrofit 20 Airplane Flight Manual DTM30528, Revision 10, dated January 20, 1998; as applicable, which contain the following list of effective pages:

AFM revision referenced and date	Page No.	Revision level shown on page
DTM589/590/591/592 .....	Falcon 20, 20D, 20E, 20F, Title Pages .....	49
Revision 49, January 20, 1998 .....	Table of Contents, Pages 1, 2 .....	49
	Section 2, sub-section 01, Pages 1-6 .....	49
DTM30528 .....	List of Effective Pages .....	10
Revision 10, January 20, 1998 .....	Pages 1-22 .....	10

(**Note:** The issue date of Revision 49 of DTM589/590/591/592, and Revision 10 of DTM30528 is indicated only on the Title Page; no other page of the document is dated.)

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 Dassault Falcon Jet Corporation, Teterboro Airport, P.O. Box 2000, South Hackensack, New Jersey 07606. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**Note 2:** The subject of this AD is addressed in French airworthiness directive 98-114-023(B), dated March 11, 1998.

(e) This amendment becomes effective on January 22, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 98-NM-06-AD; Amendment 39-10949; AD 98-26-09]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### **Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 Series Airplanes, and C-9 (Military) Airplanes**

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model DC9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 series airplanes, and C-9 (military) airplanes, that requires a one-time visual inspection to determine if the doorstops and corners of the doorjamb of the forward passenger door have been modified, various follow-on repetitive inspections, and modification, if necessary. This amendment is prompted by reports of fatigue cracks found in the fuselage skin and doubler at the corners and doorstops of the doorjamb of the forward passenger door. The actions specified by this AD are intended to detect and correct such fatigue cracking, which could result in rapid decompression of the fuselage and

consequent reduced structural integrity of the airplane.

**DATES:** Effective January 22, 1999.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of January 22, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from The Boeing Company, Douglas Products Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Technical Publications Business Administration, Dept. C1-L51 (2-60). This information may be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wahib Mina, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe Branch, ANM-120L, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712-4137; telephone (562) 627-5324; fax (562) 627-5210.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an airworthiness directive (AD)