

TABLE 1.—COMPLIANCE TIMES—Continued

Applicable airplanes	Initial inspection	Repetitive inspections
Model 777-200 and -300 airplanes powered by Rolls Royce engines, L/Ns 298 and subsequent.	Before the accumulation of 5,000 total flight cycles or within 750 days after the effective date of this AD, whichever is later.	At intervals not to exceed 5,000 flight cycles or 750 days, whichever is later.

**Concurrent Actions for Certain Airplanes**

(g) For Model 777-200 series airplanes identified in Boeing Service Bulletin 777-27-0009, Revision 1, dated May 8, 2003: Before or concurrently with accomplishing paragraph (f) of this AD, replace the yoke assemblies and pins of the left inboard, left outboard, right inboard, and right outboard flaperon PCUs with new, improved yoke assemblies and pins by doing all of the actions specified in the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Service Bulletin 777-27-0009, Revision 1, dated May 8, 2003; except where the service bulletin specifies installing yoke assembly having part number (P/N) 251W1130-1, install yoke assembly having P/N 251W1130-3.

**Optional Terminating Action for Certain Repetitive Inspections**

(h) For Model 777-200 and -300 series airplanes identified in Boeing Service Bulletin 777-27-0049, dated August 30, 2001: Replacing the yoke assemblies of the left inboard, left outboard, right inboard, and right outboard flaperon PCUs with new, improved yoke assemblies having improved bearing retention, and doing any other specified and corrective actions, by doing all of the actions specified in the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Service Bulletin 777-27-0049, dated August 30, 2001, terminates the detailed inspections required by paragraphs (f)(3) and (f)(4) of this AD.

**Credit for Pin Replacements of the Outboard Flaperon PCUs**

(i) Accomplishment of the actions specified in paragraph (b) or (d) of AD 99-13-05, amendment 39-11198, before the effective date of this AD is acceptable for compliance with the pin replacements of the left and right outboard flaperon PCUs required by paragraph (g) of this AD.

**Parts Installation**

(j) As of the effective date of this AD, no person may install on any airplane the following parts: Yoke assembly having P/N S251W115-3 or P/N 251W1130-1; and pin having P/N S251W115-2.

**Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)**

(k)(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested in accordance with the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

(2) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair required by this AD, if it is approved by an Authorized Representative for the Boeing Delegation Option Authorization Organization who has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make those

findings. For a repair method to be approved, the repair must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on May 27, 2005.

**Ali Bahrami,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 39**

**[Docket No. FAA-2005-21355; Directorate Identifier 2005-NM-037-AD]**

**RIN 2120-AA64**

**Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 767 Series Airplanes Powered by General Electric or Pratt & Whitney Engines**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to supersede an existing airworthiness directive (AD) that applies to certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes. The existing AD currently requires repetitive inspections to detect discrepancies of the eight aft-most fastener holes in the horizontal tangs of the midspar fitting of the strut, and corrective actions if necessary. That AD also provides an optional terminating action for the repetitive inspections. This proposed AD would add repetitive inspections for cracks of the closeout angle that covers the two aft-most fasteners in the lower tang of the midspar fitting, and related investigative and corrective actions if necessary. This proposed AD also would reduce the inspection interval of the upper tang of the outboard midspar fitting; and would provide an optional terminating action for the repetitive inspections. This proposed AD is prompted by a report of a crack in a closeout angle that covers the two aft-most fasteners in the lower tang of the midspar fitting; and the discovery of a

crack in the lower tang of the midspar fitting under the cracked closeout angle. We are proposing this AD to prevent fatigue cracking in the primary strut structure and reduced structural integrity of the strut, which could result in separation of the strut and engine.

**DATES:** We must receive comments on this proposed AD by July 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Use one of the following addresses to submit comments on this proposed AD.

- DOT Docket Web site: Go to <http://dms.dot.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- Government-wide Rulemaking Web site: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590.

- Fax: (202) 493-2251.

- Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, P.O. Box 3707, Seattle, Washington 98124-2207.

You can examine the contents of this AD docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, or in person at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., room PL-401, on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, Washington, DC. This docket number is FAA-2005-21355; the directorate identifier for this docket is 2005-NM-037-AD.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Suzanne Masterson, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe Branch, ANM-120S, FAA, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 917-6441; fax (425) 917-6590.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Comments Invited**

We invite you to submit any relevant written data, views, or arguments regarding this proposed AD. Send your comments to an address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "Docket No. FAA-

2005-21355; Directorate Identifier 2005-NM-037-AD” at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed AD. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend the proposed AD in light of those comments.

We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact with FAA personnel concerning this proposed AD. Using the search function of our docket Web site, anyone can find and read the comments in any of our dockets, including the name of the individual who sent the comment (or signed the comment on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You can review the DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78), or you can visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

**Examining the Docket**

You can examine the AD docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, or in person at the Docket Management Facility office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Management Facility office (telephone (800) 647-5227) is located on the plaza level of the Nassif Building at the DOT street address stated in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after the DMS receives them.

**Discussion**

On April 22, 2004, we issued AD 2004-09-14, amendment 39-13603 (69 FR 24947, May 5, 2004), for certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes. That AD requires repetitive inspections to detect discrepancies of the eight aft-most fastener holes in the horizontal tangs of the midspar fitting of the strut, and corrective actions if necessary. That AD also provides an optional

terminating action for the repetitive inspections. That AD was prompted by reports of cracking at the third row of fasteners in the midspar fitting. We issued that AD to prevent fatigue cracking in the primary strut structure and reduced structural integrity of the strut, which could result in separation of the strut and engine.

**Actions Since Existing AD Was Issued**

Since we issued that AD, an operator doing the inspections required by AD 2004-09-14 discovered a crack in the closeout angle that covers the two aft-most fasteners in the lower tang of the midspar fitting and found that the midspar fitting, where it was hidden by the closeout angle, was also cracked. The closeout angle does not normally carry high fatigue loads, so a cracked closeout angle is a symptom of cracking in the midspar fitting at the fastener locations under the closeout angle. The existing AD requires an inspection of the closeout angle, but does not require that operators inspect the midspar fitting under the angle if the detailed inspection option (one of two options for compliance) is chosen. Analysis has shown that the detailed inspection of the closeout angle does not provide sufficient probability of detecting the secondary cracking resulting from a cracked midspar fitting. The same analysis showed that the repetitive interval for inspecting the upper tang of the outboard midspar fitting is insufficient.

**Relevant Service Information**

We have reviewed Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005 (AD 2004-09-14 refers to Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54A0101, Revision 3, dated September 5, 2002, as the appropriate source of service information for the actions specified in that AD). The alert service bulletin describes procedures for the repetitive detailed inspections or high-frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspections of the aft-most fastener holes that are mandated by the existing AD. In addition, the alert service bulletin describes procedures for

repetitive HFEC inspections of the closeout angle around the two fasteners common to the closeout angle and the midspar fitting.

If no crack or incorrect fastener hole diameter is found during any inspection, the alert service bulletin describes procedures for doing any necessary rework of the fastener holes, and repeating the inspection at intervals ranging from 600 flight cycles to 16,000 flight cycles, depending on the type of engine, the area to be inspected, and the inspections accomplished previously according to the existing AD. In this revision of the service bulletin, the repetitive inspection interval for the detailed inspection of the upper tangs of the outboard midspar fitting is reduced from 6,000 flight cycles to 1,500 flight cycles.

If any crack is found during any inspection of the closeout angle, the service bulletin describes procedures for related investigative and corrective actions. The related actions are to remove the two fasteners common to the closeout angle and the midspar fitting, and do an HFEC inspection for discrepancies (cracks, incorrect fastener hole diameter) of the fastener holes of the closeout angle. If there are no discrepancies in the open fastener holes, the corrective action is to contact the manufacturer for repair instructions for the closeout angle. If cracks are found both in the closeout angle and the open fastener holes, or if any of the eight fastener holes are larger than 0.5322 inch, the corrective action is to do the terminating action in Part 4 of the alert service bulletin, or to contact the manufacturer for repair instructions.

Accomplishing the actions specified in Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0101, Revision 4, is intended to adequately address the unsafe condition.

The alert service bulletin refers to the Boeing service bulletins in the following table as additional sources of service information for doing the terminating action in Part 4 of the alert service bulletin.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF SERVICE INFORMATION

Boeing service bulletin	Revision level	Date	Title
767-54-0052 .....	Original .....	June 11, 1992 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut—Aft Lower Spar—Fastener Corrosion—Inspection and Replacement.
767-54-0061 .....	2 .....	November 23, 1999 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Wing-to-Strut Attach Fittings—Lower Spar Bushing Inspection and Replacement.

## ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF SERVICE INFORMATION—Continued

Boeing service bulletin	Revision level	Date	Title
767-54-0069 .....	2 .....	August 31, 2000 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Midspar Fitting—Underwing Sideload Fitting—Fuse Pin Replacement and Wing Rework.
767-54-0072 .....	Original .....	March 13, 1997 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut Attach Upper Link—Upper Link Inspection, Rework, or Replacement.
767-54-0080 .....	1 .....	May 9, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Pratt and Whitney Powered Airplanes—Nacelle Strut and Wing Structure Modification.
767-54-0081 .....	1 .....	February 7, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—General Electric Powered Airplanes—Nacelle Strut and Wing Structure Modification.
767-54A0062 .....	5 .....	November 11, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut Attach Fuse Pins—Midspar Fuse Pin Inspection and Replacement.
767-54A0074 .....	Original .....	March 27, 1997 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut Attach Fuse Pins—Upper link Fuse Pin Inspection/Replacement.
767-54A0094 .....	2 .....	February 7, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut-to-Wing Attachment—Diagonal Brace Inspection/Rework/Replacement.
767-57-0063 .....	1 .....	November 30, 2000 .....	Wings—Side Load Underwing Fitting—Inspection/Rework.

**Other Relevant Rulemaking**

The FAA has issued the following ADs that are related to the additional sources of service information listed in the table above.

- AD 94-11-02, amendment 39-8918 (59 FR 27229, May 26, 1994), applicable to all Boeing Model 767 series airplanes, and related to Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0062. AD 94-11-02 requires repetitive detailed visual and eddy current inspections to detect cracks of certain midspar fuse pins, and replacement of any cracked midspar fuse pin with a new fuse pin.

- AD 99-07-06, amendment 39-11091 (64 FR 14578, March 26, 1999), applicable to certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes, and related to Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0094. AD 99-07-06 requires repetitive inspections to detect cracking or damage of the forward and aft lugs of the diagonal brace of the nacelle strut; follow-on actions, if necessary; and an optional terminating action for the repetitive inspections. AD 99-07-06 was superseded by AD 2000-07-05.

- AD 2000-07-05, amendment 39-11659 (65 FR 18883, April 10, 2000), applicable to certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes, and related to Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0094. AD 2000-07-05 requires the previously optional terminating action of AD 99-07-06.

- AD 2000-10-51, amendment 39-11770 (65 FR 37011, June 13, 2000),

applicable to certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes, and related to Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54A0074. AD 2000-10-51 requires a one-time inspection to determine whether certain bolts are installed in the side load underwing fittings on both struts, and various follow-on actions, if necessary.

- AD 2001-02-07, amendment 39-12091 (66 FR 8085, January 29, 2001), applicable to certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes powered by Pratt & Whitney engines, and related to Boeing Service Bulletins 767-54-0069 and 767-54-0080; and Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0094. AD 2001-02-07 requires modification of the nacelle strut and wing structure. This AD terminates certain requirements of AD 94-11-02.

- AD 2001-06-12, amendment 39-12159 (66 FR 17492, April 2, 2001), applicable to certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes powered by General Electric engines, and related to Boeing Service Bulletins 767-54-0069 and 767-54-0081; and Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767-54A0094. AD 2001-06-12 requires modification of the nacelle strut and wing structure. This AD terminates certain requirements of AD 94-11-02.

- AD 2003-03-02, amendment 39-13026 (68 FR 4374, January 29, 2003), applicable to all Boeing Model 767 series airplanes, and related to Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54A0062. AD 2003-03-02 supersedes AD 94-11-02.

AD 2003-03-02 retains the requirements of AD 94-11-02, but reduces certain compliance times for certain inspections, expands the detailed and eddy current inspections, and limits the applicability.

**FAA's Determination and Requirements of the Proposed AD**

The unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other airplanes of the same type design that may be registered in the U.S. at some time in the future. We are proposing to supersede AD 2004-09-14. This proposed AD would continue to require repetitive inspections to detect discrepancies of the eight aft-most fastener holes in the horizontal tangs of the midspar fitting of the strut, and corrective actions if necessary; and continue to provide an optional terminating action for the repetitive inspections. This proposed AD also would require repetitive inspections for cracks of the closeout angle that covers the two aft-most fasteners in the lower tang of the midspar fitting, and related investigative and corrective actions if necessary; and would reduce the inspection interval of the upper tang of the outboard midspar fitting; except as discussed under "Difference Between the Proposed AD and the Alert Service Bulletin," and "Differences Between the Proposed AD and Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54-0074 (an Additional Source of Service Information)."

**Difference Between the Proposed AD and the Alert Service Bulletin**

The service bulletin specifies that you may contact the manufacturer for instructions on how to repair certain conditions, but this proposed AD would require you to repair those conditions in one of the following ways:

- Using a method that we approve; or
- Using data that meet the certification basis of the airplane, and that have been approved by an Authorized Representative for the Boeing Delegation Option Authorization Organization whom we have authorized to make those findings.

**Differences Between the Proposed AD and Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54-0074 (an Additional Source of Service Information)**

Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54-0074, dated March 27, 1997, contains erroneous technical information that was later corrected by the following information notices (INs):

- IN 767-54-0074 IN 01, dated October 29, 1998, informs operators that Step E.2.b of the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Service Bulletin 767-54-0074 should read “If no crack

indication is found, continue to Step F.” instead of “If no crack indication is found, reinstall the fuse pin.”

- IN 767-54-0074 IN 02, dated June 14, 2001, informs operators that the part number of the cotter pin referenced in the material information section should be MS24665-374 rather than MS25665-374.

Table 4 of this proposed AD incorporates these corrections.

**Changes to Existing AD**

Since AD 2004-09-14 was issued, the AD format has been revised, and certain paragraphs have been rearranged. As a result, the corresponding paragraph identifiers have changed in this proposed AD, as listed in the following table:

REVISED PARAGRAPH IDENTIFIERS

Requirement in AD 2004-09-14	Corresponding requirement in this proposed AD
Paragraph (a) .....	Paragraph (f).
Paragraph (b) .....	Paragraph (g).
Paragraph (c) .....	Paragraph (h).
Paragraph (d) .....	Paragraph (i).
Paragraph (e) .....	Paragraph (j).

REVISED PARAGRAPH IDENTIFIERS—Continued

Requirement in AD 2004-09-14	Corresponding requirement in this proposed AD
Paragraph (f) .....	Paragraph (k).
Paragraph (g) .....	Paragraph (l).
Paragraph (h) .....	Paragraph (m).
Paragraph (i) .....	Paragraph (n).
Paragraph (j) .....	Paragraph (o).

This proposed AD would retain all requirements of AD 2004-09-14. However, we have revised the provisions of paragraph (d) of AD 2004-09-14 (which is included as paragraph (i) of this proposed AD) to include wording related to the new actions in paragraph (p) of this proposed AD.

We have revised the applicability to identify model designations as published in the most recent type certificate data sheet for the affected models.

**Costs of Compliance**

The following table provides the estimated costs for U.S. operators to comply with this proposed AD.

ESTIMATED COSTS

Action	Work hours	Average labor rate per hour	Parts	Cost per airplane	Number of U.S.-registered airplanes	Fleet cost
Option 1: Detailed inspection (required by AD 2004-09-14).	1	\$65	None .....	\$65, per inspection cycle.	263	N/A (depends on chosen option).
Option 2: HFEC inspection (required by AD 2004-09-14).	3	65	None .....	195, per inspection cycle.	263	N/A (depends on chosen option).
HFEC inspection (new proposed action).	4	65	None .....	260, per inspection cycle.	263	\$68,380, per inspection cycle.

**Authority for This Rulemaking**

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA’s authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, Section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the Agency’s authority.

We are issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701, “General requirements.” Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition

that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

**Regulatory Findings**

We have determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect 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.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that the proposed regulation:

1. Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866;
2. Is not a “significant rule” under the 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.

We prepared a regulatory evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this proposed AD. See the **ADDRESSES** section for a location to examine the regulatory evaluation.

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

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

**The Proposed Amendment**

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 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. The FAA amends § 39.13 by removing amendment 39–13603 (69 FR 24947, May 5, 2004) and adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):

**Boeing:** Docket No. FAA–2005–21355; Directorate Identifier 2005–NM–037–AD.

### Comments Due Date

(a) The Federal Aviation Administration must receive comments on this AD action by July 18, 2005.

### Affected ADs

(b) This AD supersedes AD 2004–09–14, amendment 39–13603 (69 FR 24947, May 5, 2004).

### Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Boeing Model 767–200, –300, –300F, and –400ER series airplanes, certificated in any category, as identified in Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005.

### Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD was prompted by a report of a crack in a closeout angle that covers the two aft-most fasteners in the lower tang of the midspar fitting; and the discovery of a crack in the lower tang of the midspar fitting under the cracked closeout angle. We are issuing this AD to prevent fatigue cracking in the primary strut structure and reduced structural integrity of the strut, which could result in separation of the strut and engine.

### Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified, unless the actions have already been done.

### Restatement of Requirements of AD 2004–09–14

#### Repetitive Inspections

(f) Except as provided by paragraph (g) of this AD, before the accumulation of 10,000 total flight cycles, or within 600 flight cycles after May 15, 2001 (the effective date of AD 2001–07–05, amendment 39–12170), whichever occurs later: Accomplish the inspections required by paragraph (f)(1) or (f)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) Perform a detailed inspection of the four aft-most fastener holes in the horizontal tangs of the midspar fitting of the strut to detect cracking, in accordance with Part 1, “Detailed Inspection,” of the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 1, dated February 3, 2000. If no cracking is

detected, repeat the inspection thereafter at the applicable intervals specified in Table 1, “Reinspection Intervals for Part 1—Detailed Inspection” included in Figure 1 of the service bulletin.

**Note 1:** For the purposes of this AD, a detailed inspection is: “An intensive examination of a specific item, installation, or assembly to detect damage, failure, or irregularity. Available lighting is normally supplemented with a direct source of good lighting at an intensity deemed appropriate. Inspection aids such as mirror, magnifying lenses, etc., may be necessary. Surface cleaning and elaborate procedures may be required.”

(2) Perform a high frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspection of the four aft-most fastener holes in the horizontal tangs of the midspar fitting of the strut to detect discrepancies (cracking, incorrect fastener hole diameter), in accordance with Part 2, “High Frequency Eddy Current (HFEC) Inspection,” of the Accomplishment Instructions of the service bulletin. Accomplish the requirements specified in paragraph (f)(2)(i) or (f)(2)(ii) of this AD, as applicable; and repeat the inspection thereafter at the applicable intervals specified in Table 2, “Reinspection Intervals for Part 2—HFEC Inspection” included in Figure 1 of the service bulletin.

(i) If no cracking is detected and the fastener hole diameter is less than or equal to 0.5322 inch, before further flight, rework the hole in accordance with Part 3 of the Accomplishment Instructions of the service bulletin.

(ii) If no cracking is detected and the fastener hole diameter is greater than 0.5322 inch, before further flight, accomplish the requirements specified in either paragraph (h)(1) or (h)(2) of this AD.

(g) For airplanes on which the two aft-most fasteners have been inspected in accordance with Boeing Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 1, dated February 3, 2000, prior to May 15, 2001: Perform the initial inspection of the four aft-most fasteners in accordance with paragraph (f) of this AD before the accumulation of 10,000 total flight cycles, or within 1,500 flight cycles after May 15, 2001, whichever occurs later.

#### Corrective Actions

(h) If any cracking is detected after accomplishment of any inspection required by paragraph (f) of this AD, before further flight, accomplish the requirements specified in either paragraph (h)(1) or (h)(2) of this AD.

(1) Accomplish the terminating action specified in Part 4 of the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 1, dated February 3, 2000; Boeing Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 3, dated September 5, 2002; or Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005. Accomplishment of this paragraph terminates the requirements of this AD. After the effective date of this AD, only Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, may be used.

(2) Replace the midspar fitting of the strut with a serviceable part, or repair in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA. Repeat the applicable inspection thereafter at the applicable time specified in paragraph (f)(1) or (f)(2) of this AD.

(i) If any discrepancies (cracking, incorrect fastener hole diameter) are detected during any inspection required by paragraph (f) or (p) of this AD, for which the service bulletin specifies that the manufacturer may be contacted for disposition of those repair conditions: Before further flight, accomplish the applicable related investigative and corrective actions (including fastener hole rework and/or midspar fitting replacement) according to a method approved by the Manager, Seattle ACO; or in accordance with data meeting the certification basis of the airplane approved by an Authorized Representative for the Boeing Delegation Option Authorization Organization who has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make such findings. For a method to be approved, the approval must specifically reference this AD.

#### Additional Inspections

(j) Prior to the accumulation of 10,000 total flight cycles, or within 600 flight cycles after June 9, 2004 (the effective date of AD 2004–09–14), whichever occurs later: Perform the inspections specified in paragraph (f)(1) or (f)(2) of this AD, as applicable, on all eight aft-most fastener holes or the four forward fastener holes in the group of eight aft-most fastener holes not inspected per paragraph (f)(1), (f)(2), or (g) of this AD. The inspection must be done per the Accomplishment Instructions in Boeing Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 3, dated September 5, 2002; or Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005. Accomplishment of the applicable inspection on all eight aft-most fastener holes constitutes terminating action for the repetitive inspection requirements of paragraphs (f)(1), (f)(2), and (g) of this AD.

(k) If no cracking or discrepancy is detected during any detailed inspection required by paragraph (j) of this AD, repeat the inspections of all eight aft-most fastener holes thereafter at the applicable intervals specified in Table 1 of this AD.

(l) If no cracking or discrepancy is detected during any HFEC inspection required by paragraph (j) of this AD or by this paragraph of this AD: Perform the follow-on actions specified in paragraph (f)(2)(i) or (f)(2)(ii) of this AD, as applicable, per the Accomplishment Instructions in Boeing Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 3, dated September 5, 2002; or Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005; and repeat the inspections of all eight aft-most fastener holes thereafter at the applicable intervals specified in Table 1 of this AD.

TABLE 1.—REPETITIVE INSPECTION INTERVALS FOR ALL EIGHT AFT-MOST FASTENER HOLES

If—	Repetitive intervals—
(1) All eight aft-most fastener holes were inspected per paragraph (j) of this AD:	At the applicable intervals specified in Table 1, “Reinspection Intervals for Part 1,” or Table 2, “Reinspection Intervals for Part 2,” as applicable. Both tables are included in Figure 1 of the applicable service bulletin. Within 1,500 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD, only the repetitive intervals in Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005, may be used.
(2) Only the four forward fastener holes in the group of eight aft-most fastener holes were inspected per paragraph (j) of this AD:	At the next scheduled repetitive inspection required by paragraph (f)(1) or (f)(2) of this AD, as applicable. Thereafter at the applicable intervals specified in Table 1, “Reinspection Intervals for Part 1,” or Table 2, “Reinspection Intervals for Part 2,” as applicable. Both tables are included in Figure 1 of the applicable service bulletin. Within 1,500 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD, only the repetitive intervals in Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005, may be used.

*Corrective Actions for Discrepancies*

(m) If any cracking or discrepancy is detected during any inspection required by paragraphs (j), (k), or (l) of this AD, before further flight: Accomplish the corrective actions described in paragraph (h) of this AD,

except as provided in paragraph (i) of this AD.

*Service Bulletin Revisions*

(n) Accomplishing the terminating action in paragraph (h)(1) of this AD before June 9, 2004 (the effective date of AD 2004–09–14) in accordance with the service bulletin

revisions in Table 2 of this AD, is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD. After the effective date of this AD, only Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005, may be used for accomplishing the terminating action in paragraph (h)(1) of this AD.

TABLE 2.—SERVICE BULLETIN REVISIONS FOR TERMINATING ACTION

Boeing service bulletin	Revision	Date
767–54A0101 .....	Original .....	September 23, 1999.
767–54A0101 .....	2 .....	January 10, 2002.

*Inspections Accomplished per Previous Issues of Service Bulletin*

(o) Inspections required by paragraphs (f) and (g) of this AD that are accomplished

before June 9, 2004 in accordance with the service bulletin revisions in Table 3 of this AD are considered acceptable for compliance

with the corresponding action specified in this AD.

TABLE 3.—SERVICE BULLETIN REVISIONS FOR PREVIOUSLY ACCOMPLISHED INSPECTIONS

Boeing service bulletin	Revision	Date
767–54A0101 .....	2	January 10, 2002.
767–54A0101 .....	3	September 5, 2002.
767–54A0101 .....	4	February 10, 2005.

**New Requirements of This AD**

*Inspections of Closeout Angle and Corrective Action*

(p) For airplanes for which the “Reinspection Intervals for Part 1,” referenced in Table 1 of paragraph (l) of this AD apply: At the next applicable inspection, do an HFEC inspection for cracks of the

closeout angle that covers the two aft-most fasteners in the lower tang of the midspar fitting and any related investigative and corrective actions, by doing all the applicable actions specified in the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005. Repeat the inspection at the applicable interval in Table 1, “Reinspection Intervals

for Part 1,” in Figure 1 of the alert service bulletin.

**Note 2:** Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 767–54A0101, Revision 4, dated February 10, 2005, refers to the Boeing service bulletins in the Table 4 of this AD as additional sources of service information for doing the terminating action in paragraph (h)(1) of this AD.

TABLE 4.—ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF SERVICE INFORMATION

Boeing service bulletin	Revision level	Date	Title
767–54–0052 .....	Original .....	June 11, 1992 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut—Aft Lower Spar—Fastener Corrosion—Inspection and Replacement.

TABLE 4.—ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF SERVICE INFORMATION—Continued

Boeing service bulletin	Revision level	Date	Title
767-54-0061 .....	2 .....	November 23, 1999 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Wing-to-Strut Attach Fittings—Lower Spar Bushing Inspection and Replacement.
767-54-0069 .....	2 .....	August 31, 2000 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Midspar Fitting—Underwing Sideload Fitting—Fuse Pin Replacement and Wing Rework.
767-54-0072 .....	Original .....	March 13, 1997 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut Attach Upper Link—Upper Link Inspection, Rework, or Replacement.
767-54-0074 .....	Original .....	March 27, 1997 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut Attach Fuse Pins—Upper link Fuse Pin Inspection/Replacement. Where this service bulletin refers to a cotter pin with part number (P/N) MS 25665-374, the P/N should be MS24665-374. Where this service bulletin says, "If no crack indication is found, reinstall the fuse pin," the correct statement is "If no crack indication is found, continue to Step F."
767-54-0080 .....	1 .....	May 9, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Pratt and Whitney Powered Airplanes—Nacelle Strut and Wing Structure Modification.
767-54-0081 .....	1 .....	February 7, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—General Electric Powered Airplanes—Nacelle Strut and Wing Structure Modification.
767-54A0062 .....	5 .....	November 11, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut Attach Fuse Pins—Midspar Fuse Pin Inspection and Replacement.
767-54A0094 .....	2 .....	February 7, 2002 .....	Nacelles/Pylons—Strut-to-Wing Attachment—Diagonal Brace Inspection/Rework/Replacement.
767-57-0063 .....	1 .....	November 30, 2000 .....	Wings—Side Load Underwing Fitting—Inspection/Rework.

**Note 3:** Certain service bulletins referenced in Table 4 of this AD are related to the ADs listed in Table 5 of this AD.

TABLE 5.—OTHER RELEVANT RULEMAKING

AD	Applicability	Related Boeing service bulletin	AD requirement
AD 94-11-02, amendment 39-8919, (59 FR 27229, June 10, 1994).	All Boeing Model 767 series airplanes.	767-54A0062 .....	Repetitive detailed visual and eddy current inspections to detect cracks of certain midspar fuse pins, and replacement of any cracked midspar fuse pin with a new fuse pin.
AD 99-07-06, amendment 39-11091 (64 FR 14578, March 26, 1999).	Certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes.	767-54A0094 .....	Repetitive inspections to detect cracking or damage of the forward and aft lugs of the diagonal brace of the nacelle strut; follow-on actions, if necessary; and an optional terminating action for the repetitive inspections. Superseded by AD 2000-07-05.
AD 2000-07-05, amendment 39-11659 (65 FR 18883, April 10, 2000).	Certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes.	767-54A0094 .....	Requires the previously optional terminating action of AD 99-07-06.

TABLE 5.—OTHER RELEVANT RULEMAKING—Continued

AD	Applicability	Related Boeing service bulletin	AD requirement
AD 2000–10–15, amendment 39–11770 (65 FR 37011, June 13, 2000).	Certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes.	767–54–0074 .....	One-time inspection to determine whether certain bolts are installed in the side load underwing fittings on both struts, and various follow-on actions, if necessary.
AD 2001–02–07, amendment 39–12091 (66 FR 8085, January 29, 2001).	Certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes powered by Pratt & Whitney engines.	767–54–0069, 767–54–0080, and 767–54A0094.	Modification of the nacelle strut and wing structure. Terminates certain requirements of AD 94–11–02.
AD 2001–06–12, amendment 39–12159 (66 FR 17492, April 2, 2001).	Certain Boeing Model 767 series airplanes powered by General Electric engines.	767–54–0069, 767–54–0081, and 767–54A0094.	Modification of the nacelle strut and wing structure. Terminates certain requirements of AD 94–11–02.
AD 2003–03–02, amendment 39–13026 (68 FR 4374, January 29, 2003).	All Boeing Model 767 series airplanes.	767–54A0062 .....	Supersedes AD 94–11–02; Retains all requirements but reduces certain compliance times for certain inspections, expands the detailed and eddy current inspections, and limits the applicability.

*Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)*

(q)(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested in accordance with the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

(2) AMOCs approved previously according to AD 2004–09–14, amendment 39–13603, are approved as AMOCs for the corresponding requirements of this AD.

(3) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair required by this AD, if it is approved by an Authorized Representative for the Boeing Delegation Option Authorization Organization who has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make those findings. For a repair method to be approved, the repair must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39**

**[Docket No. FAA–2005–21346; Directorate Identifier 2005–NM–031–AD]**

**RIN 2120–AA64**

**Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737–100, –200, –200C, –300, –400, and –500 Series Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all Boeing Model 737–100, –200, –200C, –300, –400, and –500 series airplanes. This proposed AD would require operators to examine the airplane’s maintenance records to determine if the main landing gear (MLG) has been overhauled and if Titanine JC5A (also known as Desoto 823E508) corrosion-inhibiting compound (“C.I.C.”) was used during the overhaul. For airplanes for which the maintenance records indicate that further action is necessary, or for airplanes on which C.I.C. JC5A may have been used during manufacture, this proposed AD would require a one-time detailed inspection for discrepancies of certain components of the MLG, and corrective action if necessary. This proposed AD is prompted by twelve reports of severe corrosion on one or more of three

components of the MLG. We are proposing this AD to prevent collapse of the MLG, or damage to hydraulic tubing or the aileron control cables, which could result in possible departure of the airplane from the runway and loss of control of the airplane.

**DATES:** We must receive comments on this proposed AD by July 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Use one of the following addresses to submit comments on this proposed AD.

- DOT Docket Web site: Go to <http://dms.dot.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, room PL–401, Washington, DC 20590.

- *By fax:* (202) 493–2251.

- *Hand Delivery:* Room PL–401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, P.O. Box 3707, Seattle, Washington 98124–2207.

You can examine the contents of this AD docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, or in person at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., room PL–401, on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, Washington, DC. This docket number is FAA–2005–