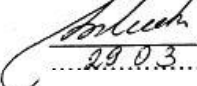


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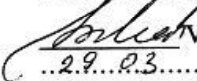
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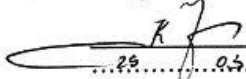
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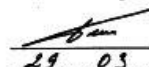
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**1. Subject:** additional operation limitations for the LAK-17A are introduced due to the tail flutter reasons. Changes in glider's Flight Manuals are made.

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1. Civil Aviation Administration of the Lithuanian Republic (CAA) – 1 copy;
2. EASA RP for LAK-17A, LBA, Germany - 1 copy;
3. EASA, - 1 copy;
4. Aviation authorities of countries, which issued Type Certificates for the LAK-17A, 1 - copy;
5. For the known owners of the LAK-17A or administration of organizations (clubs) having LAK-17A gliders – 1 copy.

**2. Affected:**

**Type:** LAK-17A

**Manufacture:** AB “Sportinė Aviacija”, Pociūnai, LT-59327 Prienai, Lithuania.

**Serial numbers affected:** for the LAK-17A: serial numbers: 101-106, 108,110-139, 142-146, 148-150, 154-155, 159-162, 164-166, 170-171, 173.

**Original type certificate:** for the LAK- 17A: TC Nr.03 issued by Directorate of Civil Aviation of the Republic of Lithuania.

**3. Reason:** During test flights a reduction of the structural damping of the fuselage was detected in the speed range of 110 - 150 km/h when feet are off the rudder pedals. Necessary warnings are introduced in the glider Flight Manual until problem is solved structurally by the following SB.

**4. Time of compliance:** this service bulletin must be accomplished immediately after receiving it.

**5. Actions**

**5.1 Flight operation**

Warning placard has to be installed in a cockpit, at the location clearly visible for the pilot in flight:

**Warning!**  
At the speed range 110...150 km/h  
it is not allowed to remove feet  
off the rudder pedals

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## **5.2 Manuals**

Replace the following pages of the "Flight Manual for the LAK-17A sailplane" page 2.2; page 3.2; and page 4.8. These pages contain the following warning concerning tail flutter:

**Warning:** At the speed range of 110...150 km/h it is not allowed to remove feet off the rudder pedals. If a reduction of damping is felt, press on the both pedals simultaneously.

## **6. Mass and balance**

The described actions do not affect C.G of the glider.

## **7. Documentation and materials**

New Flight Manual pages and placard has to be ordered directly from the manufacture - AB “Sportinė Aviacija”, Pociūnai, LT-59327 Prienai, Lithuania.

## **8. Accomplishment and log entry**

The owner/operator of the glider can carry out the actions described in this Service Bulletin. The compliance of this service bulletin must be checked and entered in the glider’s logbook following the operator’s national regulations.