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Instructions for Continued Airworthiness of the KAflex® Main Rotor Driveshaft for the Bell 212 and 412 (Standard and SP) Helicopters

NOTICE

The instructions set forth in this document, as supplemented or modified by Bell Textron Inc, directives issued by Kamatics Corporation, and Airworthiness Directives issued by the Federal Aviation Administration, must be strictly followed.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Kamatics Corporation, a subsidiary of Kaman, has developed the KAflex[®] SKCP3587-1 Main Rotor driveshaft as a fail-safe method of transmitting torque (where misalignment is present) in the Bell Textron Model 212 and 412 (with PT6T-3/-3B/-3BF engines). The unique design of the KAflex[®] allows torque to be transmitted with redundant members.

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide instructions for removal, inspection, repair, and reinstallation of the KAflex[®] SKCP3587-1 Main Rotor driveshaft installed on the Bell Textron Models 212 and 412 (with PT6T-3/-3B/-3BF engines).

1.2 Distribution

These instructions are provided for use with Bell 212/412 helicopters equipped with STC No. SR00413BO, Kamatics KAflex[®] SKCP3587-1 Main Rotor driveshaft. Any and all airworthiness or flight safety revisions will be immediately sent to the aircraft operators and owners.

Revised Instructions for Continued Airworthiness will be sent to known operators/owners of the STC installation.

If a revision to this document is returned, Kamatics Customer Support Department will search available records to attempt to identify the current helicopter owner/location and forward the revision to that owner.

If a maintenance facility or an individual maintainer needs a copy of the current revision to this document, they can request a copy from Kamatics Corporation and it will be provided in the desired available format such as a mailed hard copy or e-mailed pdf copy.

1.3 Tools Required

In addition to standard hand tools, the following tools will be required to complete installation per this Service Instruction.

1. 100-200 in-lbs torque wrench

1.4 Materials Required

- 1. Fine (150 grit) aluminum oxide or silicon carbide stone
- 2. Fine abrasive pad per A-A-58054, Type 1, Class 1, Grade A
- 3. Sermetel 1122 Touchup
- 4. Alodine per MIL-DTL-81706, Form III
- 5. Soft wiping rags
- 6. Degreaser per MIL-PRF-680, Type II



1.5 Hardware Required

New mounting hardware is required (not included in the kit) for each driveshaft install as described in Sections 2.0 and 3.0. Hardware needed is listed below. A quantity of 12 is needed for each item listed.

- 1. Washer: 212-040-790-101
- 2. Nut: NAS9926-5L
- 3. Washer: MS20002C5
- 4. Bolt: 20-065-05011

2.0 KAflex[®] DRIVESHAFT REMOVAL

- a. Disconnect battery.
- b. Remove inlet fairings and engine top cowling to gain access to the main driveshaft per the BHT Maintenance Manual.
- c. Remove and discard mounting hardware (Figure 1, items 2, 3, 5 and 6).

CAUTION

Caution: The driveshaft must be supported at either end during installation. Loose bolts at the 12 o'clock position may be used to support the shaft.

CAUTION

Carefully check all electrical lines, fuel lines, hydraulic lines, bleed air lines and other nearby components for damage, interference, looseness or leakage.





Figure 1, Installation/Removal



- d. Remove the driveshaft
 - i. Caution: Do not compress ends of driveshaft beyond 0.400". This will prevent damage.
 - ii. Caution: Do not use any tools to compress the driveshaft as it can damage the driveshaft.
 - iii. Caution: The driveshaft must be supported at either end during installation. Loose bolts at the 12 o'clock position may be used to support the shaft.

3.0 KAflex[®] DRIVESHAFT INSTALLATION

a. Measure the distance between the adapter face (Figure 1, item 7) and the input drive quill face (Figure 1, item 11). The distance must be 47.480 to 47.780 inches. If the distance is not met, adjust per the Bell maintenance manual. See Figure 2 for additional reference.









- b. Move the driveshaft into position between adapter face (Figure 1, item 7) and the input drive quill face (Figure 1, item 11).
 - i. Caution: Do not compress ends of driveshaft beyond 0.400". This will prevent damage.
 - ii. Caution: Do not use any tools to compress the driveshaft as it can damage the driveshaft.
 - iii. Caution: The driveshaft must be supported at either end during installation. Loose bolts at the 12 o'clock position may be used to support the shaft.
- c. Install hardware using Figure 1 with the associated figure numbers. Install recessed washers (5) on bolts (6) chamfer side to bolt-head. Install bolts (6) from existing engine adapter (7)/transmission input drive quill (11) side. Install washers (2) and nuts (3) on bolts (6) against flexible couplings (1). Nut torques shall be accomplished in three steps: one-third torque, two thirds torque, and full torque respectively. Torque nuts (3) in sequence 1, 3, 5, 6, 2, 4. See Detail A in Figure 1. Repeat sequence at each torque step. Full torque is 135 to 180 inch-pounds. Apply a torque stripe, using a "Skydrol" resistant torque stripe (tamper-proof mark), across the nut (3), washer (2) and end fitting of the flexible coupling (1). Similarly apply a torque stripe across the bolt (6), washer (5) and the mounting point [Transmission input quill (11) or Existing engine adapter (7)]. Do not re-use previous mounting hardware.
- d. The KAflex shaft does not require balance after installation.

CAUTION

Carefully check all electrical lines, fuel lines, hydraulic lines, bleed air lines and other nearby components for damage, interference, looseness or leakage.



4.0 AIRWORTHINESS LIMITATIONS

- 1. After 5,000-hours of operation, the driveshaft should be removed from the aircraft and replaced with a serviceable unit.
- 2. The Airworthiness Limitations section is FAA approved and specifies maintenance required under Secs. 43.16 and 91.403 of the Federal Aviation Regulations unless an alternative program has been FAA approved.

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5.0 INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

NOTE

The following checklists are to be used in place of those used for the spline coupling driveshaft.

DAILY INSPECTION

BEFORE FIRST FLIGHT OF THE DAY

- 1. Check general condition of KAflex Driveshaft.
 - a. Check for loose and missing hardware on the KAflex driveshaft (bolts, nuts, washers). If there is any loose or missing hardware on the KAflex driveshaft replace with a serviceable unit. Loose mounting hardware (Figure 1, items 2, 3, 5 and 6) are field serviceable by replacing with new hardware in accordance with this document.
 - b. Inspect flex frame and mount bolt torque stripes for evidence of slippage.

WARNING

DO NOT disturb or tighten flex frame nuts or bolts. Evidence of turning fasteners by wrench or other means is cause for rejection.



100 HOUR INSPECTION

- 1. Check general condition of KAflex Driveshaft.
 - a. The driveshaft may be cleaned with soft clean rags moistened with degreasing solvent per MIL-PRF-680, Type II.
 - b. Check for loose and missing hardware on the KAflex driveshaft (bolts, nuts, washers). If there is any loose or missing hardware on the KAflex driveshaft replace with a serviceable unit. Loose mounting hardware (Figure 1, items 2, 3, 5 and 6) are field serviceable by replacing with new hardware in accordance with this document.
 - c. Inspect KAflex Driveshaft for damage and corrosion. Refer to Figure 3 (Section 7.0) for damage and repair limits.
 - d. Inspect flex frame and mount bolt torque stripes for evidence of slippage. If the torque stripes have faded, touch up using a "Skydrol" resistant torque stripe (tamper-proof mark).

WARNING

DO NOT disturb or tighten flex frame nuts or bolts. Evidence of turning fasteners by wrench or other means is cause for rejection.



2500 Hr. Off Aircraft Inspection

- 1. Check general condition of KAflex Driveshaft.
 - a. The driveshaft may be cleaned with a soft clean wiping rag moistened with degreasing solvent per MIL-PRF-680, Type II.
 - b. Check for loose and missing hardware (bolts, nuts, washers). If there is any loose or missing hardware replace with a serviceable unit.
 - c. Inspect flex frame bolt torque stripes (white) for evidence of slippage. If the torque stripes have faded, touch up a "Skydrol" resistant torque stripe (tamper-proof mark).

WARNING

DO NOT disturb or tighten flex frame nuts or bolts. Evidence of turning fasteners by wrench or other means is cause for rejection.

- d. Inspect KAflex Driveshaft for damage and corrosion. Refer to Figure 3 (in Section 7.0) for damage and repair limits.
- e. Inspect KAflex Driveshaft flex frame joints for fretting dust which will appear as red metallic residue. If grease, oil or dirt is covering suspected area, or any doubt exists as to whether actual fretting has occurred, clean suspected areas thoroughly and recheck in conjunction with next daily inspection.

If fretting is apparent, replace unit with a serviceable unit.

f. Inspect KAflex Driveshaft for signs of contact, rubbing, and/or chafing.



KAflex Driveshaft Conditional Inspection

<u>NOTE</u>

The following inspections detail special inspection instruction applicable to the KAflex Driveshaft.

For any conditional events which remove the shaft from service, the incident shall be described in the historical record.

- 1. Overtorque
 - a. 110-120% overtorque, perform a 100 hour inspection on KAflex Driveshaft.
 - b. >120% overtorque, replace driveshaft with a serviceable unit.
- 2. <u>Sudden Stoppage</u>
 - a. Perform a 100 hour inspection on the KAflex Driveshaft. Inspect freewheeling clutch assembly for evidence of overtorque. If clutch sprags are chipped or broken, if there is evidence of static brinelling of clutch races or other evidence of torsional overload, replace the shaft with a serviceable unit.
- 3. Hard Landing
 - a. If any of the following components do not pass their respective inspection criteria as detailed in the Bell maintenance manual, the KAflex Driveshaft shall be replaced with a serviceable unit:
 - i. Main Rotor Hub
 - ii. Main Rotor Mast
 - iii. Main Transmission, Main Transmission Mounts Nodal Beam System, Drag Pin, Drag Plate
 - iv. Freewheeling Clutch Assembly
 - v. Engine or Engine Mounts
 - b. Even if none of the items in Item 'a' above show the effects of the hard landing, perform a 100 hour inspection on the KAflex Driveshaft.
 - c. Carefully inspect components near driveshaft for evidence of contact with driveshaft.
- 4. After Lightning Strike
 - a. Lightning damage can show as burn marks, heat discoloration, arc marks, or as small weld marks (where the metal has melted and became solid again)
 - b. If evidence of lightning damage is found on the driveshaft as described in Item 'a' above, replace the driveshaft with a serviceable unit.



6.0 MAINTENANCE

- 1. There is no periodic maintenance requirement for the KAflex Driveshaft.
- 2. The following maintenance practices will be incorporated as follows:
 - a. The KAflex Driveshaft is not field overhauled. Disassembly of the shaft (loosening of KAflex driveshaft nuts) will render the unit unserviceable.
 - b. Any time the KAflex Driveshaft is transferred from one aircraft to another the KAflex Driveshaft will require a 100 hour inspection. No disassembly of the shaft is to occur.
 - c. The KAflex Driveshaft is to be removed at 5,000 hours and replaced with a serviceable unit. The KAflex Driveshaft is not field overhauled.



7.0 REPAIR

- 1. Refer to Figure 3 for repair criteria. All blends shall be smooth at maximum depth and smoothly blended with surrounding surfaces.
- 2. The KAflex Driveshaft is not field overhauled. Disassembly of the KAflex driveshaft will render it unserviceable.
- 3. The KAflex Driveshaft is to be removed at 5,000 hours and replaced with a serviceable unit.



Type of Damage	Maximum Damage and Repair Depth						
AREA							
MECHANICAL	0.001" before and	0.012" before and		0.015" before and			
	after repair	after repair		after repair			
CORROSION	Surface, no pits	0.012" before and after repair	2	0.010" before and after repair			
MAXIMUM AREA PER FULL DEPTH REPAIR SQ. IN.	0.05 in ²	0.09 in ²	0.25 in ²	0.25 in ²			
NUMBER OF REPAIRS	One per leg	10	3	One per 1 in ²			
EDGE DENTS, NICKS	0.001 in	\wedge	0.005 in	0.025 in			
CRACKS	None	None	None	None			

Figure 3, Damage and Repair Limits



NOTES:

For curvic teeth, sides and corners of flex frames:

- Do not repair indented damage on curvic teeth. Remove raised damage material with fine (150 grit) aluminum oxide or silicon carbide stone by hand polishing flush with surrounding surface. Repair not to exceed 25% of total tooth face. No more than 3 adjacent teeth or a total of 50% of all teeth.
- Repairs limited to damage that can be removed by hand polishing with fine abrasive pad (scotch brite) A-A-58054, type 1, class 1, grade A. Repairs limited to damage that can be removed by hand polishing

FOR ALUMINUM CERAMIC COATED STEEL PARTS:

- 3. Repairs no less than 1.00 in APART and 0.50 in from bolt holes
- 4. Faying surface must be free from any raised metal areas.
- 5. All repairs to be 32 RMS, 0.25 in minimum radius.
- 6. Exposed bare metal may be touched up with aluminum ceramic coat Sermetel 1122.

FOR WHITE ALUMINUM INTERCONNECT:

- Nicks or scratches aligned within 30° of the spanwise axis are acceptable without repair to a maximum depth of 0.004 in.
 - 8. All repairs to be 32 RMS, 0.25 in minimum radius.
 - 9. If damage extends to bare metal, apply chemical film material (Alodine 1201), MIL-DTL-81706, FORM III, per NA 01-1A-509 series.
 - 10. Total area of all repairs not to exceed 10 in² with no two repairs within 2.00 in.
 - 11. All dimensions are in inches unless otherwise stated.



8.0 SUPPLEMENTAL TYPE CERTIFICATE

Following is a copy of FAA Supplemental Type Certificate Number SR00413BO.



United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration

Supplemental Type Certificate

Number SR00413BO

This certificate issued to:

Kamatics Corporation 1330 Blue Hills Avenue Bloomfield, CT 06002

certifies that the change in the type design for the following product with the limitations and conditions therefore as specified hereon meets the airworthiness requirements of Part 29 of the Federal Aviation Regulations.

Original Product - Type Certificate Number: H4SW Make: Bell Textron Inc. Model: 212, 412

Description of Type Design Change:

Installation of Kamatics Corporation KAflex® Main Rotor Driveshaft, Part Number (P/N) SKCP3587-1 in accordance with Master Drawing List (MDL), KAM-3587-MDL-001, Rev A, dated December 01, 2020, or later FAA approved revision. There is no Rotorcraft Flight Manual Supplement (RFMS) associated with this modification.

This certificate and the supporting data which is the basis for approval shall remain in effect until surrendered, suspended, and revoked or a termination date is otherwise established by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

Date of Application: July 01, 2020 Date of Issuance: July 27, 2021 Date reissued:

Date amended:

By direction of the Administrator

Signing for Nicholas Faust

Manager, Boston ACO Branch

Signature ______ Nicholas Faust

Manager, Boston Aircraft Certification Office

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