# **Airworthiness Directive Schedule**

# Aeroplanes Erco 415-D (Ercoupe) 31 January 2013

#### **Notes**

- 1. This AD schedule is applicable to Erco 415-D series (Ercoupe) aircraft manufactured by Univair Aircraft Corporation under Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Type Certificate No. A-787.
- 2. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is the National Airworthiness Authority (NAA) responsible for the issue of State of Design Airworthiness Directives (ADs) for Erco 415-D (Ercoupe) aircraft. State of Design ADs applicable to Erco 415-D (Ercoupe) aircraft can be obtained directly from the FAA web site. The link to the FAA web site is available on the CAA web site at <a href="http://www.caa.govt.nz/Airworthiness\_Directives/states\_of\_design.html">http://www.caa.govt.nz/Airworthiness\_Directives/states\_of\_design.html</a>
- 3. The date above indicates the amendment date of this schedule.
- 4. New or amended ADs are shown with an asterisk \*

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### DCA/ERCOUPE/1A Airworthiness Directive Compliance

**Applicability:** Model 415-D aircraft, all S/N.

Note 1: DCA/ERCOUPE/1A revised to include all those FAA ADs applicable to the Erco 415-D

(Ercoupe) aircraft which have no recuring requirements. Compliance with each individual FAA AD is required before issue of a New Zealand Certificate of Airworthiness, or at the next ARA inspection after the effective date of this AD

whichever is the sooner, unless previously accomplished.

Requirement: Compliance with the following FAA Airworthiness Directives (as applicable) are

required:

FAA AD: Subject:

1946-23-01 Muffler Replacement
1946-23-02 Engine Breather Line Hose
1946-23-03 Aileron Cable Column Fitting
1946-38-02 Aileron Control Stop

1946-46-01 Fuselage Gas Tank Overflow Line 1946-49-01 Nose Wheel Replacement

1947-20-04 Baggage Compartment Zipper 1947-20-05 Belly Skin Reeinforcement 1947-20-06 Aileron Reinforcement 1947-20-08 Battery Box Drain 1947-42-20 Control Column Shaft 1950 07-01 Elevator Trim Tab Stop

1960-09-02 Nose Gear Bolts 1967-06-03 Rudder Bellcrank

2002-16-04 Fuel Line Fittings and Gasalator

Note 2: Each part of this AD (each individual FAA AD) shall be certified in the aircraft log book

separately.

**Note 3:** A copy of the FAA ADs are available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

web site at

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**Compliance:** Before issue of a New Zealand Certificate of Airworthiness, or at the next ARA

inspection after the effective date of this AD whichever is the sooner, unless

previously accomplished.

Effective Date: DCA/ERCOUPE/1 - 12 May 1995

DCA/ERCOUPE/1A - 26 November 2009

## DCA/ERCOUPE/2A Outer Wing Panel - Modification and Inspection

Applicability: All model 415-C, 415-CD, 415-D, 415-E and 415-G aircraft.

**Requirement:** To prevent wing damage caused by a corroded wing outer panel structural

component, which, if not detected and corrected, could progress to the point of

structural failure, accomplish the following:

Install inspection openings in the outer wing panels and inspect the wing outer panel internal structural components for corrosion and unrepaired corrosion damage per Univair SB 29 Rev B or Rev C and Advisory Circular 43-4A, Corrosion Control for

Aircraft.

If corrosion or corrosion damage is found repair or replace components of the wing outer panel structure per Univair SB 29 Rev B, or Rev C, the applicable maintenance

manual and Advisory Circular 43-4A.

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(FAA AD 2003-21-01 refers)

Compliance: Installation of inspection openings and initial inspection per DCA/ERCOUPE/2 were

required by 12 May 1996.

Repetitive inspection is required by 1 June 2004, and thereafter inspect at intervals

not to exceed 12 months.

Effective Date: DCA/ERCOUPE/2 - 12 May 1995

DCA/ERCOUPE/2A - 28 November 2003

#### DCA/ERCOUPE/3 Wing Centre Section Corrosion - Inspection

Applicability: All model 415-C, 415-CD, 415-D, 415-E and 415-G aircraft.

**Requirement:** To detect and correct corrosion in the wing center section which could result in failure of the wing center section structure during flight, accomplish the following:

1. Inspect the wing center section for corrosion damage by accomplishing one of the following:

- a. Install inspection openings to gain access to the wing walkway box structure and inspect the wing center structure for corrosion or corrosion damage or,
- b. Use a scope and light source, e.g., fiberscope borescope or an endoscope to inspect the wing center structure for corrosion or corrosion damage or,
- c. Remove the outer wing panels to gain visual access to the wing walkway box structure for corrosion or corrosion damage.
- 2. If corrosion or corrosion damage is found during any inspection required in paragraph 1 of this AD, repair or replace damaged components of the wing center section.
- 3. If inspection openings are installed in accordance with paragraph 1.a. of this AD, install cover plate assemblies.

(FAA AD 2002-26-02 refers)

Compliance:

- 1. Within the next 12 calendar months and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 3 years.
- 2. Before further flight after any inspection in which the corrosion or corrosion damage is found.
- 3. Before further flight after each inspection or repair required in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this AD.

Effective Date: 27 March 2003

#### DCA/ERCOUPE/4 Fuel Pump Line – Inspection and Modification

**Applicability:** Model 415 series aircraft, S/N all through 3642 fitted with a fuel pump with a metal

filter bowl and Bearing AC P/N 1539076 on the pump mounting flange.

**Requirement:** To prevent fuel leaks and failure of the fuel lines, accomplish the requirements

specified in FAA AD 1947-20-03.

Note 1: A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

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Note 2: Erco Service Department Memorandum No. 42 dated 9 January 1947 pertains to the

subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 47-20-03 refers)

**Compliance:** At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 47-20-03 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

DCA/ERCOUPE/5 Voltage Regulator – Inspection

Applicability: Model 415-C, 415-CD and 415-D aircraft, all S/N.

Requirement: To prevent battery failure and electrical system mulfunction, accomplish the

requirements specified in FAA AD 1947-20-09.

**Note 1:** A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

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**Note 2:** Erco Service Department Memorandum No. 23 pertains to the subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 47-20-09 refers)

**Compliance:** At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 47-20-09 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

DCA/ERCOUPE/6 Cancelled – DCA/ERCOUPE/12 refers

Effective Date: 3 October 2012

DCA/ERCOUPE/7 Control Cables – Inspection and Modification

Applicability: Model 415 series aircraft, all S/N, and model E and G aircraft, all S/N

Requirement: To prevent control cable failure, accomplish the requirements specified in FAA AD

1954-26-02.

Note 1: A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

site at

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Note 2: Ercoupe Service Department Bulletin No. 13 and Ercoupe Service Department

Memorandum No. 35 pertains to the subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 54-26-02 refers)

**Compliance:** At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 54-26-02 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

DCA/ERCOUPE/8 Terneplate Fuel Tank – Inspection and Replacement

Applicability: Model 415-C, 415-CD and 415-D aircraft, S/N 113 through to 2622.

**Requirement:** To prevent failure of the fuel tanks, accomplish the requirements specified in FAA AD

1955-22-02.

Note 1: A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

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Note 2: Erco Service Department Bulletin No. 10 and 10A, and Memorandums No. 31 and 43

pertains to the subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 55-22-02 refers)

**Compliance:** At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 55-22-02 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

DCA/ERCOUPE/9 Rudder Horn Attachment – Inspection

**Applicability:** Model 415-C, 415-CD, 415-D, E, G and F-1 aircraft, all S/N.

**Requirement:** To prevent failure of the rudder horn attachments, accomplish the requirements

specified in FAA AD 1957-02-01.

**Note 1:** A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

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Note 2: Erco Service Bulletin No. 25 dated 31 July 1953 pertains to the subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 57-02-01 refers)

**Compliance:** At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 57-02-01 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

DCA/ERCOUPE/10 Rear Spar Reinforcement – Inspection and Modification

Applicability: Model 415-C, 415-CD, 415-D, E and G aircraft, all S/N.

**Requirement:** To prevent failure of the rear spar, accomplish the requirements specified in FAA AD

1959-05-04.

Note 1: A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

site at

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**Note 2:** Erco Service Memorandum 53A pertains to the subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 59-05-04 refers)

Compliance: At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 59-05-04 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

DCA/ERCOUPE/11 Rudder Reinforcement – Inspection and Modification

**Applicability:** Model 415 series aircraft, S/N all through 3335.

Requirement: To prevent failure of the rudder main rib and control horn, accomplish the

requirements specified in FAA AD 1959-25-05.

Note 1: A copy of the FAA AD is available on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) web

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**Note 2:** Erco Service Bulletin 105 pertains to the subject of this AD.

(FAA AD 59-25-05 refers)

Compliance: At the initial threshold specified in FAA AD 59-25-05 unless previously accomplished,

and thereafter at intervals not to exceed those specified in the FAA AD.

Effective Date: 26 November 2009

\* DCA/ERCOUPE/12 Cancelled – FAA AD 2012-08-06 refers

Effective Date: 13 November 2012

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\* 2012-08-06 Ailerons – Identification and Replacement

Effective Date: Original - 3 October 2012

Correction - 13 November 2012