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# Miscellaneous Amendment to BCAR Section S, S887

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#### 2. Member State

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# 3. Department Responsible

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# 3. Originating Department

Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

#### 4. Notification Number

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#### 5. Title

Miscellaneous Amendment to BCAR Section S, S887

#### 6. Products Concerned

Small aeroplanes of Maximum Total Weight Authorised not exceeding 390 kg.

## 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

A review of Issue 1 of BCAR Section S highlighted three specific areas which needed to be strengthened. These are:

- a) clarification that the ultimate inertia load is to be used to show compliance with S561(e),
- b) to mandate the fitting of a fuel tank strainer, and
- c) to prevent any unsecured harness from contacting the propeller.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 83/189/EEC (as amended) when these Regulations are officially published.

## 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The justification for the three miscellaneous amendments are detailed separately in the following text:-

- a) Is included to avoid any ambiguity in the original test and to distinguish between 'Ultimate' and 'Limit' loads.
- b) Microlight aircraft are normally run on automotive grade fuel which is often supplied in jerrycans in the field. The risk of fuel contamination is therefore high and a number of incidents have been recorded of fuel starvation in flight due to this cause. The change proposed will reduce the likelihood of such events reoccurring by mandating the fitment of a fuel tank strainer. This action is in agreement with the recommended practice of engine manufacturers.
- c) The crew of a microlight aircraft may be in an open

cockpit and in close proximity to the propeller. The risk of damage to or restriction of the propeller, or any subsequent injury to the crew, as a result of contact from an unsecured harness, is therefore high. This proposal will ensure that the design of any harness is prevented from making contact with the propeller.

- 10. Reference Documents Basic Texts i Amendment Paper S887 to BCAR Section S.
- 10. Reference Documents Basic Texts ii No
- 10. Reference Documents Basic Texts iii No
- 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure
- 12. Grounds for the Emergency
- 13. Confidentiality No
- 14. Fiscal measures No

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