



Service Bulletin

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SUBJECT: Elevator Control Stick

MODELS AFFECTED: Pitts S-2S - S/N's 1000 thru 1014
& 3000 thru 3012

TIME OF COMPLIANCE: Immediate

There has been a failure of a control stick on a Pitts S-2S. Fortunately, the pilot was able to control and land the aircraft using the trim system with minor damage. The incident occurred on the prototype aircraft, S/N 1000. The stick had been modified by welding an addition to the upper end which increased its overall length by two inches.

We would, therefore, ask all S-2S owners to immediately inspect their control sticks for cracks and signs of failure, particularly in the area at the lower end where the stick welds to the bearing housing.

A new stick in which the stick wall thickness has been changed from .035" to .058" is available free of charge to all S-2S owners upon request. We urge all S-2S owners and operators to install the new stick as soon as possible. The part number for the new stick is 2-5110-7.

After doing so, please be sure to fill out the enclosed compliance card and return it to Pitts Aerobatics for our records.