

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

■ 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Stemme GmbH: Docket No. FAA–2026–4637; Project Identifier MCAI–2025–01226–G.

(a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) by June 29, 2026.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to all Stemme GmbH Model Stemme S 12 gliders, certificated in any category.

Note to paragraph (c): All of the affected airplanes were produced and delivered with the affected copper sealing rings installed.

(d) Subject

Joint Aircraft System Component (JASC) Code 2800, Aircraft Fuel System.

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by reports of fuel leaking around certain copper sealing rings within the fuel system. The FAA is issuing this AD to prevent fuel leakage in the fuel system. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could result in an in-flight fire.

(f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(g) Definitions

For the purpose of this AD, the definitions in paragraphs (g)(1) through (4) of this AD apply.

(1) An “affected location” is any of the following:

(i) The copper sealing ring within the fuel pump set assembly having part number (P/N) 128201, between the screw-in adapter having P/N 831099 and the fuel distributor having P/N 128229, and between the screw-in adapter having P/N 831099 and the fuel distributor having P/N 128228. The fuel pump set assembly P/N 128201 is located at the front left area of the middle fuselage and may be accessed from below when the main landing gear is extended. (Location defined in Stemme Service Bulletin (SB) P062–980082 Revision 01, dated July 15, 2025, Page 1 of 3, Action 2 and Figure 1)

(ii) The copper sealing ring within the drainer complete having P/N 128207, between the screw-in adapter having P/N 831099 and the drainer attachment having P/N 128271. The drainer complete P/N 128207 is located at the main landing gear bay and may be accessed from below when the main landing gear is extended. (Location defined in Stemme SB P062–980082 Revision 01, dated July 15, 2025, Page 2 of 3, Action 3 and Page 3 of 3 Figure 2)

(2) An “affected part” is a copper sealing ring having P/N D7603–12016–CU.

(3) “Group 1 gliders” are gliders that have an affected part installed.

(4) “Group 2 gliders” are gliders that do not have an affected part installed.

(h) Required Actions

(1) For Group 1 gliders, before further flight after the effective date of this AD and thereafter before each flight until the replacement required by paragraph (h)(2) is accomplished, perform a visual check using a light source of the affected locations for indications of fuel leakage (staining, wetness, dripping, etc). The owner/operator (pilot) holding at least a private pilot certificate may perform the visual check and must enter compliance with the applicable paragraph of this AD into the glider maintenance records in accordance with 14 CFR 43.9(a) and 91.417(a)(2)(v). The record must be maintained as required by 14 CFR 91.417.

(2) For Group 1 gliders, at whichever compliance time in paragraph (h)(2)(i) or (ii) that occurs first, replace the affected part at each affected location with a sealing ring having P/N 831984 in accordance with the instructions of Action 2 or Action 3 of Stemme SB P062–980082, Revision 01, dated July 15, 2025, as applicable.

(i) Before further flight if any leakage is detected during any preflight check required by paragraph (h)(1) of this AD.

(ii) Within 100 hours time-in-service after the effective date of this AD.

(i) Installation Prohibition

For Group 1 and Group 2 gliders: As of the effective date of this AD, do not install an affected part as defined in paragraph (g)(2) of this AD on any glider.

(j) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

The Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the International Validation Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (k) of this AD and email to: AMOC@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/certificate holding district office.

(k) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact George Weir, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone: (817) 222–4045; email: george.a.weir@faa.gov.

(l) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the material listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this material as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(i) Stemme Service Bulletin P062–980082, Revision 01, dated July 15, 2025.

(ii) [Reserved]

(3) For Stemme material identified in this AD, contact Stemme GmbH, Flugplatzstrasse F2 Nr. 6–7, Strausberg, Germany 15344; phone: +49 (0) 3341 3612; email: airworthiness@stemme.com; website: stemme.com.

(4) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 1100 Main, Kansas City, MO 64105. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (817) 222–5110.

(5) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations or email fr.inspection@nara.gov.

Issued on May 12, 2026.

Paul R. Bernado,

Acting Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA–2026–0018; Project Identifier MCAI–2025–01384–A]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA is revising a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that would have applied to certain Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. (Pilatus) Model PC–12 airplanes. This action revises the NPRM by changing the applicability. The FAA is proposing this airworthiness directive (AD) to address the unsafe condition on these products. Since these actions would impose an additional burden over those in the NPRM for different airplanes, the FAA is requesting comments on this SNPRM.

DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this SNPRM by June 29, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* (202) 493–2251.

- *Mail:* U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

AD Docket: You may examine the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2026–0018; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this SNPRM, the mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI), any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above.

Material Incorporated by Reference:

- For European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) material identified in this proposed AD, contact EASA, Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; phone: +49 221 8999 000; email: ADs@easa.europa.eu; website: easa.europa.eu. You may find this material on the EASA website at ad.easa.europa.eu. It is also available at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2026–0018.

- You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 1100 Main, Kansas City, MO 64105. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (817) 222–5110.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doug Rudolph, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone: (816) 329–4059; email: doug.rudolph@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments using a method listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include “Docket No. FAA–2026–0018; Project Identifier MCAI–2025–01384–A” at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may again revise this proposal because of those comments.

Except for Confidential Business Information (CBI) as described in the following paragraph, and other information as described in 14 CFR 11.35, the FAA will post all comments received, without change, to *regulations.gov*, including any personal information you provide. The agency will also post a report summarizing each

substantive verbal contact received about this SNPRM.

Confidential Business Information

CBI is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this SNPRM contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this SNPRM, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as “PROPIN.” The FAA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this SNPRM. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Doug Rudolph, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590. Any commentary that the FAA receives which is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this rulemaking.

Background

The FAA issued an NPRM to amend 14 CFR part 39 by adding an AD that would have applied to certain Pilatus Model PC–12 airplanes. The NPRM was published in the **Federal Register** on January 21, 2026 (91 FR 2512). The NPRM was prompted by EASA AD 2025–0182, dated August 25, 2025 (EASA AD 2025–0182) (also referred to as the MCAI), issued by EASA, which is the Technical Agent for the Member States of the European Union, to correct an unsafe condition on certain Pilatus Model PC–12/47E airplanes. The MCAI states that there was a report that the emergency exit door could not be opened from inside an airplane. Further investigation revealed that incorrect installation of the passenger service unit (PSU) trim panel, which is installed above the emergency exit door, could block the opening of the emergency exit if the PSU trim panel is positioned too far inboard. This condition, if not addressed, could prevent the opening of the emergency door, which could result in injury to occupants during an emergency evacuation.

In the NPRM, the FAA proposed to require a visual inspection of the PSU trim panel for dual lock fastener tapes and modification if dual lock fastener tapes are not installed. The NPRM also proposed to prohibit the installation of affected parts.

You may examine the MCAI in the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2026–0018.

Actions Since the NPRM Was Issued

Since the FAA issued the NPRM, the FAA has determined that the applicability of the NPRM referenced the incorrect airplane model. Therefore, this proposed AD revises the NPRM to correct the affected airplane from Model PC–12 to Model PC–12/47E. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

Comments

The FAA received a comment from the Air Line Pilots Association, International. The commenter supported the NPRM without change.

Material Incorporated by Reference Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed EASA AD 2025–0182, which specifies procedures for modifying the PSU trim panel if dual lock fastener tapes are not installed. EASA AD 2025–0182 also prohibits the installation of an affected part. EASA AD 2025–0182 also refers to instructions to determine whether dual lock fastener tapes are installed on a PSU trim panel. This material is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in the **ADDRESSES** section.

FAA’s Determination

These products have been approved by the civil aviation authority of another country and are approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to the FAA’s bilateral agreement with this State of Design Authority, that authority has notified the FAA of the unsafe condition described in the MCAI referenced above. The FAA is issuing this SNPRM after determining that the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other products of the same type design.

Certain changes described above expand the scope of the NPRM. As a result, it is necessary to reopen the comment period to provide additional opportunity for the public to comment on this SNPRM.

Proposed AD Requirements in This SNPRM

This proposed AD would require accomplishing the actions specified in the material already described, except for any differences identified as exceptions in the regulatory text of this proposed AD. See “Differences Between this SNPRM and the MCAI” for a

discussion of the general differences included in this proposed AD.

Differences Between This SNPRM and the MCAI

Where paragraph (1) of EASA AD 2025–0182 does not specify an inspection to determine whether dual lock fastener tapes are installed on a PSU trim panel, for this proposed AD an inspection would be required in accordance with section B. Part 1 of the material referenced in EASA AD 2025–0182 to determine whether an airplane has the dual lock fastener tapes installed on a PSU trim panel and is either a Group 1 or Group 2 airplane as defined in EASA AD 2025–0182.

Explanation of Required Compliance Information

In the FAA’s ongoing efforts to improve the efficiency of the AD process, the FAA developed a process to use some civil aviation authority (CAA) ADs as the primary source of information for compliance with requirements for corresponding FAA ADs. The FAA has since coordinated with other manufacturers and CAAs to use this process. As a result, the FAA proposes to incorporate by reference EASA AD 2025–0182 in the FAA final rule. This proposed AD would, therefore, require compliance with EASA AD 2025–0182 in its entirety through that incorporation, except for any differences identified as exceptions in the regulatory text of this proposed AD. Using common terms that are the

same as the heading of a particular section in EASA AD 2025–0182 does not mean that operators need comply only with that section. For example, where the AD requirement refers to “all required actions and compliance times,” compliance with this AD requirement is not limited to the section titled “Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s)” in EASA AD 2025–0182. Material required by EASA AD 2025–0182 for compliance will be available at regulations.gov under Docket No. FAA–2026–0018 after the FAA final rule is published.

Costs of Compliance

The FAA estimates that this AD, if adopted as proposed, would affect 276 airplanes of U.S. registry. The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this proposed AD:

ESTIMATED COSTS

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
Inspect PSU trim panel	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85	\$23,460

The FAA estimates the following costs to do any necessary modification that would be required based on the

results of the proposed inspection. The agency has no way of determining the

number of airplanes that might need this modification:

ON-CONDITION COSTS

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product
Modify PSU trim panel	2 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$170	\$100	\$270

The FAA has included all known costs in its cost estimate. According to the manufacturer, however, some of the costs of this proposed AD may be covered under warranty, thereby reducing the cost impact on affected operators.

Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA’s authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the Agency’s authority.

The FAA is issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: General requirements. Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds

necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

Regulatory Findings

The FAA determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify this proposed regulation:

- (1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866,
- (2) Would not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
- (3) Would not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative,

on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

- 1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:
 Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.
- § 39.13 [Amended]
- 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Pilatus Aircraft Ltd.: Docket No. FAA–2026–0018; Project Identifier MCAI–2025–01384–A.

(a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) by June 29, 2026.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Model PC–12/47E airplanes, manufacturer serial numbers 2001 through 2999, certificated in any category.

(d) Subject

Joint Aircraft System Component (JASC) Code 2500, Cabin Equipment/Furnishings.

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by a report that the emergency exit door could not be opened from inside an airplane. The FAA is issuing this AD to prevent the passenger service unit (PSU) trim panel from blocking the opening of the emergency exit. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could prevent the opening of the emergency door, which could result in injury to occupants during an emergency evacuation.

(f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(g) Required Actions

Except as specified in paragraphs (h) and (i) of this AD: Comply with all required actions and compliance times specified in, and in accordance with, European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD 2025–0182, dated August 25, 2025 (EASA AD 2025–0182).

(h) Exceptions to EASA AD 2025–0182

(1) Where EASA AD 2025–0182 refers to its effective date, this AD requires using the effective date of this AD.

(2) Where paragraph (1) of EASA AD 2025–0182 does not specify an inspection to determine whether dual lock fastener tapes are installed on a PSU trim panel, for this AD an inspection is required in accordance with section B. Part 1 of the material referenced in EASA AD 2025–0182 to determine whether an airplane has the dual lock fastener tapes installed on a PSU trim panel and is either a Group 1 or Group 2 airplane as defined in EASA AD 2025–0182.

(3) This AD does not adopt the “Remarks” section of EASA AD 2025–0182.

(i) No Reporting Requirement

Although the material referenced in EASA AD 2025–0182 specifies to submit certain information to the manufacturer, this AD does not include that requirement.

(j) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the

procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the International Validation Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (k) of this AD and email to: AMOC@faa.gov.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office/certificate holding district office.

(k) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Doug Rudolph, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone: (816) 329–4059; email: doug.rudolph@faa.gov.

(l) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of the material listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this material as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(i) European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD 2025–0182, dated August 25, 2025.

(ii) [Reserved]

(3) For EASA material identified in this AD, contact EASA, Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; phone: +49 221 8999 000; email: ADs@easa.europa.eu; website: easa.europa.eu. You may find this EASA AD on the EASA website at ad.easa.europa.eu.

(4) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 1100 Main, Kansas City, MO 64105. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (817) 222–5110.

(5) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations or email fr.inspection@nara.gov.

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Paul R. Bernado,

Acting Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket Number USCG–2026–0548]

RIN 1625–AA08

Special Local Regulation; Marine Events Within the USCG East District

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is proposing to amend its special local regulations (SLR) for marine events within the USCG East District by adding SLRs for three recurring events located in the Virginia Captain of the Port Zone. This Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) would provide for the safety of life on the navigable waters of the York River, the East River, and the Elizabeth River Western Branch during high speed boat races which are typically held on each of those rivers annually. We invite your comments on this proposed rulemaking.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before May 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To submit comments and view available documents, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for USCG–2026–0548.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this proposed rule, contact LCDR Justin Z. Strassfield, Sector Virginia Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; by phone, at (206) 815–7367, or by email, at VirginiaWaterways@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port
DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
§ Section
SLR Special Local Regulation
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background and Authority

Coast Guard regulations define “regatta or marine parade” as an organized water event of limited duration which is conducted according to a prearranged schedule. 33 CFR 100.05(a). And, as explained in 33 CFR 100.15, Coast Guard requires that an organization planning to hold a regatta or marine event apply for a permit if the event, by its nature, circumstances, or location, will introduce extra or unusual hazards to the safety of life on the navigable waters of the United States. These permits may be approved by the Coast Guard, or by the state in which the event is to take place, if there is a Coast Guard-State agreement in place. See 33 CFR 100.10. Upon the approval of an application, the Captain of the Port, Sector Virginia (COTP) may promulgate such “Special Local Regulations” (SLR’s) as he or she deems necessary to ensure safety of life on the navigable waters immediately prior to,