Status of CMH-17 Vol. 3/Chapters 12-14 (Damage Tolerance & Maintenance)



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- Background
 - Airbus & Boeing Meetings
 - Chicago & Amsterdam
 Workshops
- Plans and progress to update CMH-17 Chapters

 Data collected to date
 - Updated Chapter outlines

Importance of Linking Damage Tolerance, Maintenance and Operations

- One of the main purposes for damage tolerance is to facilitate safe & practical maintenance procedures
- Structural substantiation of damage tolerance, inspection and repair should be integrated
- Findings from the field help improve damage tolerance and maintenance practices in time
 - Structural safety, damage threat assessments, design criteria, inspection protocol, documented repairs and approved data all benefit from good communications between OEM, operations and maintenance personnel



Boeing/Airbus/FAA/EASA WG for Damage Tolerance & Maintenance Objectives

- 1. Agree on critical technical issues and areas of safety concern for damage tolerance & maintenance of composite structure on transport aircraft.
- 2. Identify key similarities and differences in methods used to substantiate damage capability for transport aircraft composite structures.
- 3. Identify the key elements necessary to substantiate maintenance inspection and repair procedures for composite aircraft structures.
- 4. Identify related content needed to update appropriate approved source (OEM) documentation (MPD, SRM, etc.) focused on field safety issues.
- 5. Identify related content needed to update the Mil-17 Damage Tolerance and Supportability chapters and the FAA composites maintenance training standards, as appropriate.
- 6. Identify areas for safety-related standardization of composite damage tolerance & maintenance and related research needed in the future.



Boeing/Airbus/FAA/EASA WG* for Damage Tolerance & Maintenance

<u>Justification</u>: expanding transport applications justify a need for communication on composite damage tolerance and maintenance between OEM and regulatory bodies

- Lack of trained resources with practical experiences
- Cost advantages from common & efficient procedures

Approach

<u>Three Meetings</u> 9/05 Toulouse 3/06 Seattle 1/07 Cologne <u>Two Workshops</u> 7/06 Chicago 5/07 Amsterdam

- Bring key members of the OEM and regulatory bodies together for initial assessment of objectives 1) thru 3) and define deliverables [meetings 1 & 2]
- Prioritize WG deliverables and finalize a working plan [meetings 1 & 2]
- Collect more data & review progress with user community (airlines, MRO, AEG, AFS and other regulatory bodies) [meeting 3 and related 2006 & 2007 workshops]
- Use existing standards organizations (CMH-17, SAE CACRC) and educational institutions (FAA JAMS COE) to publish standards and provide training

* Expanded to an International WG with workshops and 2007 meetings



Key Working Group Participants for Airbus (9/05) and Boeing (3/06) Meetings

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- Christian Beaufils
- **Chantal Fualdes**
- **Roland Thevenin**
- François Smal
- José-Carlos Gomez-Lopez

- Al Fawcett
- David Polland
- Gary Oakes



Progress from Meetings at Airbus (9/05) and Boeing (3/06)

- Boeing and Airbus presented their practices in 3 major areas related to damage tolerance and maintenance
 - Damage tolerance requirements and design criteria
 - Engineering practices for structural substantiation
 - Maintenance practices
- Information summarized in an Excel spreadsheet to directly compare and contrast approaches



2006 FAA Composite Damage Tolerance & Maintenance Workshop

	Wednesday, July 19	Thursday, July 20	Friday, July 21
1 st Hour		Session 2*	Session 6 Technical Breakout
2 nd Hour		Substantiation of Structural Damage Tolerance	<u>Sessions</u> (*Separate working meetings covering technical subjects from Sessions 2 - 5)
Break (15 min.)			
3 rd Hour	COMPOSITE MATERIALS HANDBOOK	Session 3*	Session 7
4 th Hour		Test Protocol	Breakout Team Summary Recap/Actions/Closure/Adjourn
Lunch (1 Hour)			
5 th Hour	FAA Initiatives Safety Management	Session 4* Substantiation of	
6 th Hour	Airbus/Boeing/EASA/FAA WG Maintenance Training Update	Maintenance Inspection & Repair Methods	
Break (15 min.)			
7 th Hour	Session 1	Session 5*	
8 th Hour	Experiences	Inspection Technology	
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2007 FAA/EASA/Industry Composite Damage Tolerance and Maintenance Workshop

	Wednesday, May 9	Thursday, May 10	Friday, May 11
1 st Hour	SAE Commercial Aircraft	Session 1 Applications & Field Experiences	Session 5* Field Inspection and Repair QC
2 nd Hour	Composite Repair Committee Overview of Progess & Plans	<i>(continued)</i> Service History of Composite Structure Service Damage & Reliability of Repairs	Test Standards & Inspector Qualifications Reliable NDI Technology Advances Material & Process Controls
Break (15 min.)			
3 rd Hour	Airbus and Boeing Perspectives on Safe Industry Practices	Session 2* Damage Tolerance	Session 6 Technical Breakout Sessions
4 th Hour	Airbus & Boeing (continued) SAE CACRC Active Task Group Reports	Design Criteria & Objectives Structural Test Protocol	(*Separate working meetings covering technical subjects from Sessions 2 - 5)
Lunch (1 Hour)			
5 th Hour	SAE CACRC Active Task Group Reports	Session 3* Damage in Sandwich Construction	Session 7
6 th Hour	FAA & EASA Initiatives	Fluid Ingression Growth Mechanisms Analysis & Accelerated Tests	Recap/Actions/Closure/Adjourn
Break (15 min.)			
7 th Hour	FAA & EASA Initiatives (cont.) Recent Progress/Safety Management	Session 4* Repair Design and Processes	110 Darticinan
8 th Hour	Session 1 Applications & Field Experiences	Repair Limits Design Criteria & Process Guidelines Structural Substantiation	



Summary of 2006 & 2007 Workshops

- Critical safety data shared in unique forum of practitioners
 Key points collected in an Excel spreadsheet
- Five *categories of damage* were proposed for damage tolerance and maintenance consideration
 - Integrated efforts in structural substantiation, maintenance and operations interface help ensure complete coverage for safety
- Coordinated inspection, engineering disposition and repair is needed for safe maintenance
 - Actions by operations is essential for detection of critical damage from anomalous events
- FAA is committed to CS&CI with industry, academia and government groups (~250 participants in two workshops)
 - Damage tolerance and maintenance initiatives are active
 - Principles of safety management will be used in future developments (policy, guidance and training)



Composite Material Handbook 17 (CMH-17) Chapter 12-14 Updates

 A major deliverable is to provide related content for CMH-17, Volume 3

Development questions

Is the content complete?

Is the content balanced?

Is the organization reasonable?

- Content will be approved for public release by initial Airbus/Boeing/EASA/FAA WG members
 - Details will probably be generalized and presented as "typical approaches" or "an example approach"
- Plans to be complete for Rev. G release (2008)



CMH-17 Volume 3 Outline (Rev. G)

- 1. General Information
- 2. Introduction to Composite Structure Development
- 3. Certification & Compliance
- 4. Building Block
- 5. Materials and Processes
- 6. Quality Control of Production Materials
- 7. Design of Composites
- 8. Analysis of Laminates

- 9. Structural Stability Analyses
- 10. Bonded Joints
- 11. Bolted Joints
- 12. Damage Resistance, Durability and Damage Tolerance
- 13. Crashworthiness 13. New
 - 14. Maintenance and Support
 - 15. Thick Section Composites
 - 16. Structural Safety
 - 17. Environmental Management



Proposed New Chapter 13

13. Defects, Damage and Inspection

- 13.1 Defects and Damage
 - 13.1.1 Defect and Damage Sources
 - 13.1.2 Defect and Damage Types
- 13.2 Inspection Methods
 - 13.2.1 Non-destructive Inspection
 - 13.2.2 Destructive Inspection
- Central repository for describing these items, so that other sections can refer to them.
- For now, populate with existing content (CMH-17 Chapters 2, 3, 6, 12, 14, as well as FAA Tech Doc)
- Eventually expand to improve completeness ... defect/damage details for new material forms, more inspection details, photos, schematics, etc.
- Reference CACRC and ASTM documents as appropriate



Existing Damage Tolerance Chapter 12 Outline





Proposed Chapter 12 Outline Changes Existing Proposed **Overview & General Guidelines** 12.1 12.1 Introduction 12.1.1 Principles -→ 12.1.1 Principles 12.1.2 Composite Related Issues —— 12.1.2 Composite Related Issues 12.1.3 General Guidelines -✤ 12.1.3 Aircraft Damage Tolerance 12.1.4 Lessons Learned? Some links with Structural Safety Ch. 12.2 Aircraft Damage Tolerance 12.2 Requirements (NEW) Intro text – Some updates since Rev. F 12.2.1 Evolving Military & Civil Aviation Regmts - Introduce Categories of Damage via a 12.2.2 Methods of Compliance to Aviation Regs. restatement of the requirements and tech. issues from guidance materials 12.3 Compliance (NEW) ▶ 12.3.1 Methods of Compliance 12.3 Types, Characteristics & Sources of Dmg 12.3.2 Design Criteria (NEW) 12.3.1 Dmg Characterized by Stage of Occurrence Summary of current practice from WG spreadsheet, by Cats of Dmg 12.3.2 Dmg Characterized by Physical Imperfection 12.3.3 Substantiation (NEW) 12.3.3 Realistic Impact Energy Threats to Aircraft Summary of current practice from Delete ... covered WG spreadsheet, by Cats of Dmg by new Chapter 13 Inspection for Damage -▶ 12.4 Inspection for Damage 12.4 Major New Content



Proposed Chapter 14 Outline Changes (Part 1) Proposed

Existing

- Ch 14 Supportability
- 14.1 Introduction

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- 14.2 Design for Supportability
 - In-service Experience 14.2.1
- 14.3 Support Implementation

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- 14.4 Composite Repair of Metal Structure
- 14.5 Logistics Requirements



- Ch 14 Maintenance and Support
- 14.1 Introduction (NEW) *Tie between maintenance & safety* Key components = damage assessment, characterization, disposition, repair
- Important 14.2 Considerations (NEW)
 - Summary (Ch5) from FAA Tech Doc
- 14.3 **In-service** Experience
- Inspection 14.4
- **^**14.5 Damage Assessment
- **Repair Design & Substantiation** 14.6
- **Repair of Composite Structure** 14.7
- Composite Repair of Metallic Structure 14.8
- 14.9 Maintenance Documentation (NEW)
- 14.10 Design for Supportability
- **14.11 Logistics Requirements**



Proposed Chapter 14 Outline Changes (Part 2)

<u>Existing</u>

- Ch 14 Supportability
- 14.1 Introduction
- 14.2 Design for Supportability
- 14.3 Support Implementation
 - 14.3.1 Part Inspection
 - 14.3.2 Damage assessment for composite repairs
 - 14.3.3 Repair design criteria -
 - 14.3.4 Repair of composite structures 14.3.4.1 Introduction 14.3.4.2 Dmg Removal & Site Prep 14.3.4.3 Bolted Repairs 14.3.4.4 Bonded Repairs 14.3.4.5 Sandwich (H/C) repairs 14.3.4.6 Repair Inspection 14.3.4.7 Repair Validation
- 14.4 Composite Repair of Metal Structure
- 14.5 Logistics Requirements

Major New Content

Nov. 15, 2007 Main Committee Meeting

Fall 2007 CACRC (Wichita, Kansas)

Proposed

- Ch 14 Supportability and Maintenance
- 14.1 Introduction (NEW)
- 14.2 Important Considerations (NEW)
- 14.3 In-service Experience
- 14.4 Inspection
- 14.5 Damage Assessment
- 14.6 Repair Design & Substantiation
 - *14.5.1 Design Criteria

-14.5.3 Substantiation

- 14.5.2 Repair Sizing
- Summary of current practice from WG spreadsheet
- 14.7 Repair of Composite Structure
- ▶14.8 Composite Repair of Metallic Structure
- 14.9 Maintenance Documentation (NEW)
- 14.10 Design for Supportability
- 14.11 Logistics Requirements



Summary of CMH-17, V3, Ch. 12-14 Status

- Damage Tolerance (Chapter 12) in work
 - Some additional content prepared for working draft
 - Draft to be completed for TG review (3/08)
- Defects, Damage and Inspection (Chapter 13) draft completed
 - To be sent for TG review before Winter, 2008 Meeting
 - To be made ready for CMH-17 Yellow Page Review (1/08)
- Maintenance and Support (Chapter 14) in work
 - Working draft for TG review by Winter, 2008 Meeting
 - To be made ready for CMH-17 Yellow Page Review (2/08)

