

AAFC Special Technical Instruction

Training of Daily Inspectors

Amendment List

Ref	Amendment	Comment	Date	Authority
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AIM

1. The aim of this instruction is ensure that personnel involved in training of Daily Inspectors (DI) are aware of the Gliding Federation of Australia (GFA) requirement that the intentional introduction of defects into sailplanes is not permitted.

AUTHORITY

2. The authority for the issue of this instruction is Director Aviation Operations, Australian Air Force Cadets (DAO-AAFC).
3. Nothing in this STI supersedes, replaces or substitutes any civil regulatory requirement imposed by the CASA or GFA which take precedence.

SCOPE / APPLICABILITY

4. Applies to all gliders operated for and on behalf of the AAFC. This instruction should be read in conjunction with relevant instructions listed at the end of this STI.

REQUIRED ACTION

5.

Subject: MANDATORY Training of Daily Inspectors	
Airframes affected – None.	
Reason – Incident data obtained from GFA has indicated the majority of maintenance related incidents could have been prevented at the daily inspection stage. A focus is being made on the quality of Daily Inspections through ongoing training and education. It has been brought to our attention that some trainers are considering the introduction of intentional defects as a training tool. This practice is expressly forbidden by the GFA as a potential exists for an intentional defect to make its way into flight and compromise safety. This practice must not occur.	
Actions	
1	Ensure all personnel are aware that when training and testing DIs they are not to intentional introduce defects into sailplanes.
2	Refer to GFA Basic Sailplane Engineering regarding practical tests for testing of DI candidates
3	Report implementation to MAF

Review

6. This STI may be cancelled if GFA update Basic Sailplane Engineering.

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