

# UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION

Aircraft Certification Service



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## **AFFECTED PRODUCTS**

All Aerostop Seat Locks manufactured at Aerostop and sold by Aerostop or its distributor Aircraft Spruce & Specialty Company from any previous date to July 7, 2016 for installation on type certificated products. Refer to table below for applicable part numbers:

<b>Nomenclature</b>	<b>Part Number</b>
Aerostop Seat Lock for Cessna Rails	05-07232
Aerostop Seat Lock for McFarlane Rails	05-07234
Aerostop Seat Lock Version 2.0	05-12931

## **PURPOSE**

This notification advises all aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, parts suppliers, and distributors regarding the unapproved status of Aerostop Seat Locks produced and sold by Aerostop or Aircraft Spruce & Specialty Company.

## **BACKGROUND**

The FAA determined that Aerostop, located at 16440 Capitol Ave. Ste. B Diamond Springs, CA 95619, manufactured and sold Aerostop Seat Locks. An FAA investigation revealed the manufacturer did not obtain FAA approval to manufacture these parts listed for use on type certificated products.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Regulations require that type-certificated products conform to their type design. Aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, parts suppliers and distributors are encouraged to inspect their aircraft and/or aircraft parts inventory for the referenced seat locks. If the subject parts are found installed in a type certificated aircraft, it is recommended they be removed. If these parts are found in existing inventory, it is recommended they be quarantined to prevent installation.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Further information concerning this investigation may be obtained from the FAA Manufacturing Inspection District Office (MIDO) listed below. In addition to the above recommendations, the FAA would appreciate any information concerning the discovery of the above-referenced articles from any source, the means used to identify the source, and the actions taken to remove the referred seat locks from aircraft and/or parts inventories.

This notice originated from the FAA Seattle MIDO, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, WA 98057, Telephone; (425) 227-2108, Fax (425) 227-1100.