

R44

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SERVICE LETTER SL-29

DATE: 15 October 2004

TO: R44 & R44 II Owners, Operators, and Service Centers

ROTORCRAFT AFFECTED: R44 & R44 II helicopters with optional four-point front-seat harnesses having detachable shoulder straps. Helicopters with standard combination lap belt and diagonal shoulder harness are not affected.

TIME OF COMPLIANCE: As soon as practical.

BACKGROUND: Some operators have noticed lap belt loosening on four-point harnesses with detachable shoulder straps. Installing rubber plugs on the lap belt buckle and connector will help prevent lap belt loosening.

COMPLIANCE INFORMATION:

1. Refer to figures on reverse. Examine front-seat harness connector and buckle assemblies for presence of black, rubber plugs (2 each on both connector and buckle).
2. As required, order 502913 plugs from RHC Customer Service. Eight plugs are required per affected R44.
3. Install plugs in slots per Figure 1. Exercise care to prevent damage to plug and metal buckle & connector. The rounded end of a paper clip can be used as an installation tool.
4. Make appropriate maintenance record entries.

APPROXIMATE COST:

Parts: No charge if ordered before 01 December 2004.

Labor: 0.4 man-hour.

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