

Airworthiness Directive: 106

Date:8/20/93

Subject: S-12 Tail boom Extension

Compliance: Mandatory

Cost: \$ 75.00 & Your Time to Install

Models Effected: S-12, shipped before 1/1/1991

The first year production of the S-12 model had a different tail boom **extension** design than the current production design. In a survey done by RANS, Inc. on the S-12 model with a substantial amount of time accumulated on the air frame, a total of 2 aircraft with the first year boom **extension** design had a crack in the tail boom **extension** (see Fig 1.) Because of the fail safe design of the boom **extension**, no problems were detected in flight.

The tail boom **extension** on the first year production should be inspected after 300 hours, if a crack is found, then the boom **extension** should be replaced. If no cracks were found then the inspection should be done every 50 hrs.

Figure 1

