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MODELS AFFECTED:

Z 242 L aircraft, S/N 0682, 0684

SUBJECT:

Operation limits – Increase of safe life limit to 21 000 flight hours

According to analysing the data from the AMU 1, with respect to actual:

- kind of operation,
- number of flight hours,
- number of landings,
- approved safe life limits for aircraft parts,

we determine as follows:

The aircraft can be operated **up to total safe life limit of 21 000 flight hours** according to special limits and instructions stated in the report Z242L-0579. Number of flight hours shall be calculated according to Aircraft Journey Log Book.

Recalculation of number of flight hours with respect to a difference between Aircraft Journey Log Book and AMU 1 records might be possible after final AMU 1 records evaluation in the end of aircraft safe life.

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# Z 242L Assessment Report - Aircraft Safe-Life prolongation up to 21 000 flight hours Sault College Aviation Technology

(Z 242L, S/N 0682 and Z 242L, S/N 0684)

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#### MARKING USED

FAR Part 23 Federal Aviation Regulations for Small Airplanes, USA

AFS-120-73-2 FAA Fatigue Evaluation of Wing and Associated Structure on Small Airplanes

AC23-13A FAA Advisory circular for fatigue analyses and tests

AMU1 Acceleration Monitoring Unit

SFL Safe Fatigue Life

FAA Federal Aviation Administration of the USA
CAA Civil Aviation Authority of the Great Britain

ZLIN-A Measured operating loading spectrum for acrobatic category
ZLIN-N Measured operating loading spectrum for normal category

CAA-FAA CAA operation acrobatic spectrum for the Z 40 series, modified FAA

ENVELOPE Safe envelope of loading spectrum Canada-Operation

SCAT Sault College Aviation Technology
S-N curve Fatigue curve (Wöhler curve)

n [-],[g] Load factor according to the FAR Part 23

 $\sigma_{+1g}$  [MPa] Stress in flight at n = +1(g)

 $\sigma_{-1g}$  [MPa] Stress at the ground stay n = -1(g)

D<sub>i</sub> [1/hod] Fatigue damage in individual phases of flight

Dc [1/hod] Total fatigue damage
LB [hod] Safe fatigue life value
LS [hod] Mean fatigue life value

 $j_N$  [-] Scatter factor  $V_P$  [km/h] Average airspeed



### 1 INTRODUCTION

The Sault College Aviation Technology (SCAT) operates a fleet of 12 ZLIN Z 242L aircraft. The list of aircraft is available in the Table No.1-1 bellow.

Туре	S/N	Reg. mark	Flight hrs. (11/2021)	Landings (11/2021)	Monitored by AMU1	Acro (A)	Acro (U)	Acro (A+U)	Safe-life limit
[-]	[-]	[-]	[Hrs]	[-]	[Hrs]	[Hrs]	[Hrs]	[Hrs]	[%]
Z 242L	0679				Out o	f operation	1	*	
Z 242L	0680				Out o	foperation	1		
Z 242L	0681	C-FANU	16095.0	16135	6776.86	_	_	-	28.62 %
Z 242L	0682	C-FHTU	17493.4	16494	11307.80	-	_	_	21.30 %
Z 242L	0683		Out of operation						
Z 242L	0684	C-FCSB	17890.50	17007	13472.91	-	-	_	16.24 %
Z 242L	0685	C-FVWT	16792.60	15713	12520.25	_	_	-	26.72 %
Z 242L	0699	C-FZHF	4191.00	4178	3516.00	-	_	53:54	68.70 %
Z 242L	0727	C-GLKU	1292.00	1331	539.40	-	-	284:18	77.58 %
Z 242L	0742	C-GHXG	13093.3	11745	12422.37	_	_	23:55	59.35 %
Z 242L	0743	C-GSOP	6290.20	5578	5042.24	_	-	126:00	72.39 %
Z 242L	0744	C-GERR	5890.1	5230	5575.42	_	_	-	75.29 %
Z 242L	0745	C-GHXF	11898.40	11079	11417.18	_	_	_	60.71 %
Z 242L	0746	C-GJOR	12500.00	11618	11911.87	_	-	_	53.93 %
Z 242L	0739	C-FSCZ	892.90	1259	650.61	_	_	37:40	92.35 %

Table No. 1-1 ZLIN Z 242L operated by Sault College Aviation Technology

The basic operational life of the Z 242L aircraft is 5500 flight hours. The aircraft are monitored by the acceleration monitoring unit AMU1. Based on the AMU1 monitoring a new operational limit has been set in the year 2003 by the Report No. Z242L-0554, [1]. The operational limit was increased from 5500 to 11000 flight hours.

At present days the aircraft Z 242L, S/N 0682 and Z 242L, S/N 0684 are reaching the operational limit 18000 flight hours. The aim of this assessment report is to prove Safe Fatigue Life (SFL) of aircraft primary structure up to 21000 flight hours for aircraft Z 242L, S/N 0682 and S/N 0684 operated in aviation school Sault College Aviation Technology in Canada. The long times monitoring by AMU1 system is used as an input source for the aircraft prolongation.



### 2 Z 242L AIRCRAFT

# 2.1 Brief description of the Z 242L aircraft

The Z 242L aircraft (Fig. 2-1) is designed in the category A, U and N according to FAR Part 23 - Amdt. 23-36 inclusive.

The Z 242L aircraft is intended for basic and advanced training, acrobatic training and practice, practice in night and instrument flying and glider towing.

The Z 242L aircraft is a two-seats, low-wing, single engine, self-supporting monoplane of all metal structure with side by side seats. The aircraft is equipped with nose-wheel tricycle fixed landing gear.

The aircraft is powered with the TEXTRON Lycoming AEIO-360-A1B6 piston air cooled flat 4-cylindre engine with the MTV-9-B-C/C-188-18a hydraulic controlled three-blade constant speed propeller. The engine is not equipped with reducer and is capable for acrobatics and inverted flights. The propeller is made of wood with composite covering. The propeller is capable for acrobatic manoeuvres.

Dimensions	
Span	9.340 m
Length	6.940 m
Height	2.950 m

Table 2-1 Basic dimensions of the Z 242L aircraft

Category	Cent. of gr. (% MAC)	Max. take-off weight (kg)	Max. landing weight (kg)	Max. range of permissible maneuvering load factors (g)
Acrobatic (A)	19.0 - 24.5	970	970	+6.00 ; -3.50
Utility (U)	19.0 - 24.5	1020	1020	+4.40 ; -1.76
Normal (N)	19.0 - 26.0	1090	1050	+3.80 ; -1.52

Table 2-2 Centre of gravity position, weight, manoeuvring load factors



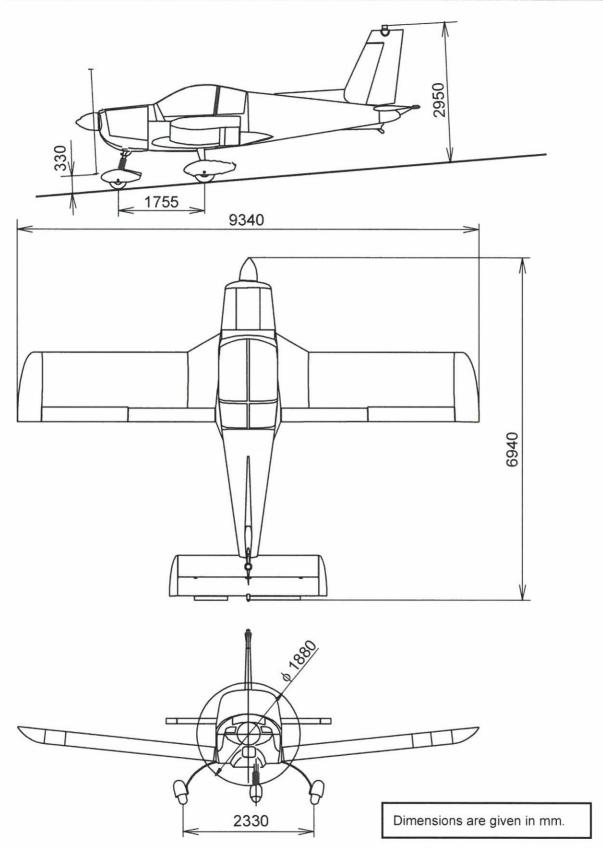


Fig. 2-1 Z 242L aircraft

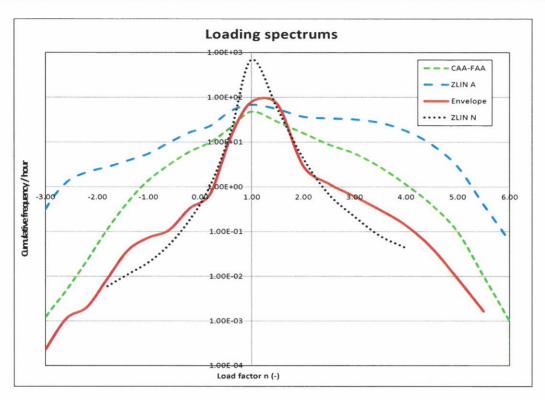


# 2.2 Considered spectrum of Z 242L aircraft loading

There are considered following manoeuvring loading spectrums in this report:

- **ZLIN-A** acrobatic spectrum, the loading spectrum was gained experimentally by means of accelerometer AMU1 see the Z242L-0530 report.
- **ZLIN-N** spectrum for Normal category, the loading spectrum was gained experimentally by means of accelerometer AMU1 see the Z242L-0530 report.
- CAA-FAA spectrum, the loading spectrum was gained after consultations between aviation authorities CAA and FAA for common acrobatic operation.
- **ENVELOPE** spectrum, the loading spectrum was gained as a safety envelope from all aircrafts operated by Sault College Aviation Technology. Monitored period is mentioned in the Table No. 1-1.





Load	Loading spectrums - Cumulative frequency/hour							
factor								
	CAA-FAA	ZLIN A	ZLIN N	Envelope				
-3.500	1.224E-04	1.866E-02	0.000E+00	0.000E+00				
-3.000	1.185E-03	3.112E-01	0.000E+00	2.302E-04				
-2.600	4.825E-03	1.250E+00	0.000E+00	1.136E-03				
-2.200	2.257E-02	2.128E+00	0.000E+00	2.071E-03				
-1.800	1.131E-01	2.786E+00	6.000E-03	8.974E-03				
-1.400	4.503E-01	3.855E+00	1.096E-02	3.792E-02				
-1.000	1.399E+00	5.508E+00	2.042E-02	7.341E-02				
-0.600	3.109E+00	9.705E+00	5.012E-02	1.086E-01				
-0.200	6.106E+00	1.652E+01	1.831E-01	3.333E-01				
0.200	1.000E+01	2.312E+01	1.083E+00	7.101E-01				
0.600	2.149E+01	4.977E+01	1.766E+01	1.361E+01				
1.000	4.786E+01	6.823E+01	6.918E+02	7.974E+01				
1.500	2.841E+01	5.420E+01	5.574E+01	7.019E+01				
2.000	1.586E+01	3.681E+01	4.266E+00	2.907E+00				
2.500	8.840E+00	3.396E+01	6.833E-01	1.180E+00				
3.000	5.562E+00	3.214E+01	2.162E-01	6.089E-01				
3.500	2.747E+00	2.685E+01	7.943E-02	3.056E-01				
4.000	1.131E+00	1.782E+01	4.315E-02	1.381E-01				
4.500	3.985E-01	8.831E+00	0.000E+00	4.372E-02				
5.000	9.996E-02	2.838E+00	0.000E+00	8.958E-03				
5.500	1.006E-02	3.963E-01	0.000E+00	1.659E-03				
6.000	1.006E-03	6.138E-02	0.000E+00	0.000E+00				

Table 2-3 Considered spectrum of Z 242L aircraft loading



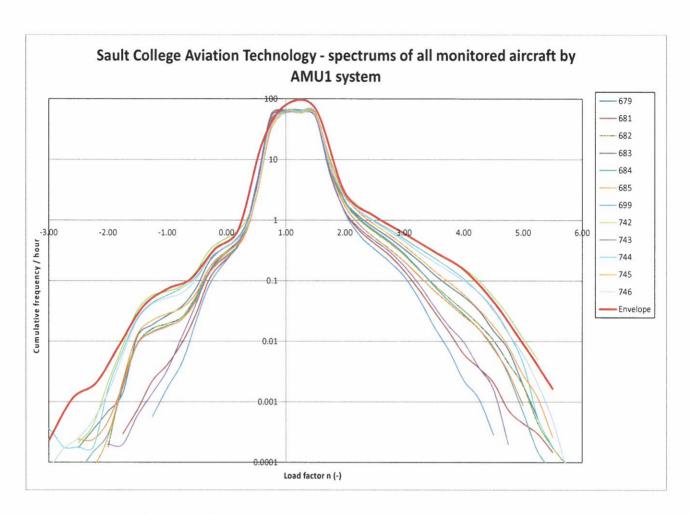


Fig. 2-2 Recorded spectrums by AMU1 system - Cumulative frequency/hour



# 3 SAFE FATIGUE LIFE OF THE Z 242L AIRCRAFT

The safe fatigue life calculation was performed according to AFS-120-73-2 and AC23-13A methodology.

Wing of the Z 242L aircraft was loaded by this loading spectrum:

Manoeuvre + Gust:

U, N category, Envelope

Landing:

Fig. No.:9 Curve for "Private Trainer", AFS-120-73-2, [2] or [4]

Taxi:

Fig. No.:10R Curve for "All Others (Rev)", AFS-120-73-2, [2] or [4]

<u>The critical point of wings</u>, drawing No. L242.2100/2200 of Z 242L aircraft from the fatigue life point of view is lower duralumin flange close behind the attachment fittings.

Loading at flight as well as at standing on the ground was taken over from the flight measurements of Z 242L aircraft OK-VNP, S/N 0490. Results of stress measurements for the wing of the Z 242L are mentioned in [3].

#### S-N curves were taken over:

- For duralumin flanges from FAA methodology AFS 120-73-2, [2].
- Fatigue test of main spar of the fuselage frame specimens Report Z242L-0564, [4].

# 3.1 The fatigue test of the wing made based on ZLIN-A and ZLIN-N loading spectra

The results of the fatigue test are given in detail in the Z242L-0553 report, [5].

# Conclusion:

The result value of Safe Fatigue Life of airframe of the Z 242L aircraft for the ZLIN-A and ZLIN-N manoeuvring spectra is 5500 flight hours, 700 acrobatic hours from it.

# 3.2 Results of fatigue tests of three main wing spars of the Z 242L aircraft at the CAA-FAA load spectrum

Fatigue tests of three main wing spars of the Z 242L aircraft were made. Results of fatigue tests are given in Report Z 242L-0520, [6].

#### Conclusion:

The result value of Safe Fatigue Life of airframe of the Z 242L aircraft for the CAA-FAA manoeuvring spectrum is 5500 flight hours without acrobatic limitation.



# 4 SAFE FATIGUE LIFE OF THE WING

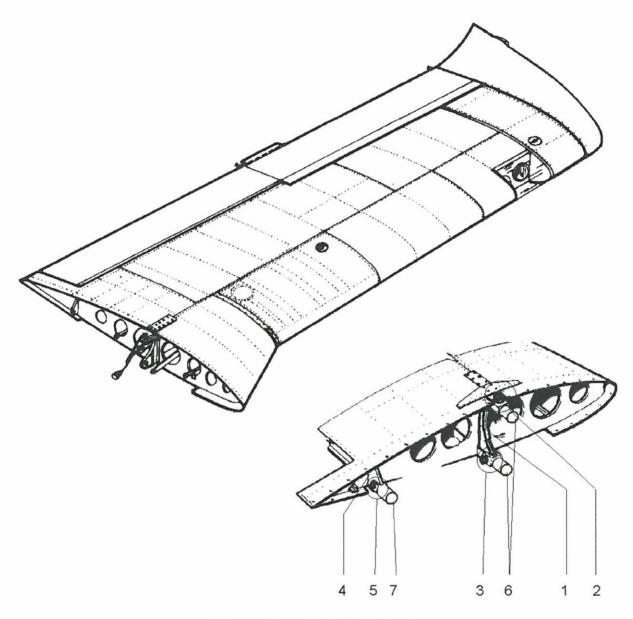


Fig. 4-1 Wing of the Z 242L aircraft

- 1 .... main wing spar
- 2 .... wing upper attachment fitting
- 3 .... wing lower attachment fitting
- 4 .... rear wing spar

- 5 .... rear wing attachment fitting
- 6 .... main spar of the fuselage frame
- 7 .... rear spar of the fuselage frame



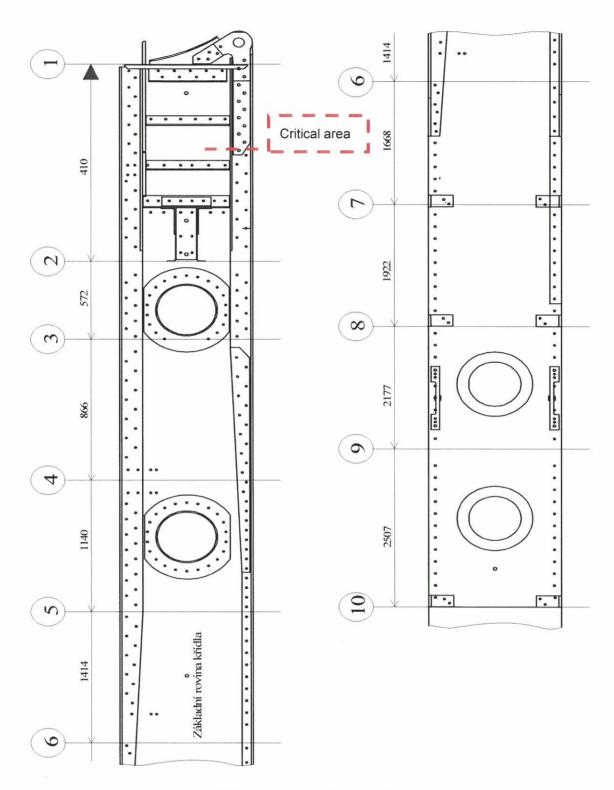


Fig. 4-2 Main wing spar of the Z 242L aircraft



# 4.1 Stress values in critical section A-A (Category U)

The loading conditions for UTILITY category are recalculated on the base of the maximum take-off weight, Report Z242-0564, [4]. The input values are presented lower:

Loading in flight: n=1.0 g  $\sigma_{+1g} = 24.90 MPa$  /flange margin/ Loading at the ground stay: n=-1.0 g  $\sigma_{-1g} = -7.4 MPa$  /flange margin/

Phases of flight	Fatigue damage D <sub>i</sub> [1 per flight hour]
Taxi	1.1712E-11
Gust and Manoeuvres	8.6250E-06
Landing – (Impact-Rebound)	1.3561E-08
G-A-G cycle	1.3878E-06
Total fatigue damage D <sub>C</sub>	1.0026E-05

Table 4-2 U category operation; fatigue damage caused by ENVELOPE spectrum

 $L_S = 1/D_C = 99737$  flight hours

# 4.2 Stress values in critical section A-A (Category N)

The loading conditions for NORMAL category are recalculated on the base of the maximum take-off weight, Report Z242-0564, [4]. The input values are presented lower:

Loading in flight: n=+1.0 g  $\sigma_{+1g}=26.63 \text{ MPa}$  /flange margin/ Loading at the ground stay: n=-1.0 g  $\sigma_{-1g}=-8.0 \text{ MPa}$  /flange margin/

Phases of flight	Fatigue damage Di
	[1 per flight hour]
Taxi	1.5246E-11
Gust and Manoeuvres	5.9526E-06
Landing – (Impact-Rebound)	1.9071E-08
G-A-G cycle	1.8862E-06
Total fatigue damage D <sub>C</sub>	7.8579E-06

Table 4-3 N category operation; fatigue damage caused by Zlin-N spectrum

 $L_S = 1/D_C = 127 261$  flight hours.



# 4.3 Safety factor determination

Based on the period of monitoring by AMU1 and results of wing fatigue tests, the safety factor is set to  $j_N = 5.0$ .

# 4.4 Safe fatigue life calculation for Canada-Operation loading spectrum

The Safe Fatigue Life of the wing is calculated according lower mentioned formula. For these purposes the Category U, N results are used for the safe fatigue life calculation.

 $L_B = L_S \, (Category \, U) / j_N = 99\,737 / 5 = 19\,947 \, flight hours.$   $L_B = L_S \, (Category \, N) / j_N = 127\,261 / 5 = 25\,452 \, flight hours.$ 

Туре	S/N	Reg. mark	Flight hrs.	Landings	Monitored	Safe-life	Possible total
70,5			(11/2021)	(11/2021)	by AMU1	limit	operation time
[-]	[-]	[-]	[Hrs]	[-]	[Hrs]	[%]	[Hrs]
Z 242L	0682	C-FHTU	17493.4	16494	11307.80	21.30	22 228
Z 242L	0684	C-FCSB	17890.5	17007	13472.91	16.24	21 359

Table 4-4 Possible total operational life for Z 242L aircraft wing

Safe fatigue life determination of Z 242L aircraft wing

### Conclusion:

Based on executed fatigue tests and calculations and with respect to other groups of airframe of the aircraft, we appoint the value of safe fatigue life for the wing of the Z 242L aircraft to:

L<sub>B</sub>= 21 000 flight hours.

# Other procedures:

Proposed regular checks according to: Maintenance Manual for aircraft Z 242L - Part I, II.

#### Replacement:

Conic pins and bushings for attaching the wings to the fuselage - after every 6000 flight hours.



# 5 SAFE FATIGUE LIFE OF MAIN SPAR OF THE FUSELAGE FRAME

The main spar of the fuselage frame is a complicated weldment that is made of steel tubes from L-CM3 material according to valid regulations and procedures. There are installed upper and lower attachments of the wing, attachments of the front seats and attachments of the main landing gear on the main spar of the fuselage frame. The lower flange of the main spar is equipped with pressure probe which signalises to the pilot contingent appearance of a crack on the flange.

Frame of the fuselage including main spar is shown on the Fig. 5-1.

Numbers of drawings and values of diameter and thickness of the upper and lower flange of the main spar of the fuselage frame for the Z 42 series are given in the Table 5-1.

Aircraft	Main spar	lain spar Upper flange Lower f			lange
	Drawing No.	Drawing No.	Tube ∅	Drawing No.	Tube ∅
Z42 to S/N 0059 including	Z42.1110	Z42.1111-00.17	Tube 55x3.0	Z42.1112-00.17	Tube 50x3
Z42 from 3 <sup>rd</sup> series from S/N 0060	M42.1110	M42.1111-00.17	Tube 55x3.5	M42.1112-00.17	Tube 50x4
Z 142	M42.1110	M42.1111-00.17	Tube 55x3.5	M42.1112-00.17	Tube 50x4
Z 142C	M42.1110	M42.1111-00.17	Tube 55x3.5	M42.1112-00.17	Tube 50x4
Z 242L	L242.1110	M42.1111-00.17	Tube 55x3.5	M42.1112-00.17	Tube 50x4

Table 5-1 Drawings numbers and parameters of the upper and lower flange of the main spar of the fuselage frame

	С	Mn	Si	Cr	Мо	Ni	Cu	Р	S
Chemical composition	0.22	0.50	0.17	0.90	0.15	max.	max.	max.	max
(%)	to	to	to	to	to	0.30	0.25	0.030	0.030
	0.29	0.80	0.37	1.20	0.25				
Permitted deviations of	±0.01	±0.05	+0.05	+0.10	+0.07				
chemical composition (%)			-0.02	-0.05	-0.03				

Table 5-2 Chemical composition of L-CM3 material according to ONL 2100



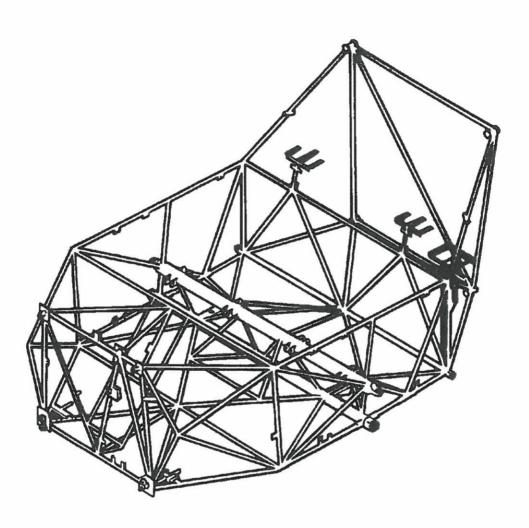


Fig. 5-1 Fuselage frame of the Z 242L aircraft



# 5.1 Stress values in critical section A-A (Category U)

The loading conditions for UTILITY Category are recalculated on the base of the maximum take-off weight, Report Z242-0564. The input values are presented lower:

Loading in flight: n=+1 g  $\sigma_{+1g}=57.9$  MPa Loading at the ground stay: n=-1 g  $\sigma_{-1g}=-2.2$  MPa

Phases of flight	Fatigue damage D <sub>i</sub> [1 per flight hour]
Taxi	0.0000E+00
Gust and Manoeuvres	1.8959E-06
Landing – (Impact-Rebound)	3.6771E-09
G-A-G cycle	2.6881E-07
Total fatigue damage D <sub>C</sub>	2.1684E-06

Table 5-5 U category operation; fatigue damage caused by ENVELOPE spectrum

 $L_S = 1 / D_C = 461 180$  flight hours.

# 5.2 Stress values in critical section A-A (Category N)

The loading conditions for NORMAL Category are recalculated on the base of the maximum take-off weight, Report Z242-0564. The input values are presented lower:

Loading in flight: n=+1 g  $\sigma_{+1g}=62.6$  MPa Loading at the ground stay: n=-1 g  $\sigma_{-1g}=-2.3$  MPa

Phases of flight	Fatigue damage D <sub>i</sub> [1 per flight hour]
Taxi	0.0000E+00
Gust and Manoeuvres	1.7225E-06
Landing – (Impact-Rebound)	4.8278E-09
G-A-G cycle	3.4516E-07
Total fatigue damage D <sub>C</sub>	2.0725E-06

Table 5-5 N category operation; fatigue damage caused by Zlin-N spectrum

 $L_S = 1 / D_C = 482 507$  flight hours.



# 5.3 Safety factor determination

According to AFS-20-73-2 methodology safety factor i<sub>N</sub> = 7 - 8 is specified for Safe Fatigue Life calculation. Based on the origin of S-N curve (samples) and the mentioned methodology AC23-13A, it is recommended to choose value of  $j_N = 8.0$  for standard cases.

# 5.4 Safe fatigue life calculation for ENVELOPE loading spectrum

The safe fatigue life of the fuselage frame is calculated according lower mentioned formula. For these purposes the Category U, N results are used for the safe fatigue life calculation.

$$L_B = L_S \, (Category \, V) / j_N = 461 \, 180 / 8.0 = 57 \, 647 \, flight hours.$$
 $L_B = L_S \, (Category \, N) / j_N = 482 \, 507 / 8.0 = 60 \, 313 \, flight hours.$ 

# 5.5 Safe fatigue life determination of the fuselage frame main spar

#### Conclusion:

Based on executed calculation and with respect to other groups of airframe of the aircraft, we appoint the value of Safe Fatigue Life for the main spar of the fuselage frame to:

L<sub>B</sub>= 21 000 flight hours.

### Other procedures:

Proposed regular checks according to:

Maintenance Manual for aircraft Z 242L - Part I. II.

System function check:

• Lower flange pressure following-up - every 500 flight hours or once a year.

# Replacement of the pressure probe in system:

Lower flange pressure following-up

- after every 6000 flight hours.



# 6 SAFE FATIGUE LIFE OF THE REAR PART OF THE FUSELAGE AND BOLTS /Z42.1300-00.11/, CONNECTING CENTRAL AND REAR PART OF THE FUSELAGE

Fatigue life was appointed based on fatigue tests of fuselage rear part including connecting bolts – see Report Z242L-009, [7]. Conclusion of the fatigue tests analysis is given in Report Z242L-0564 Appendix No. 1, [4].

Rear part of the fuselage is shown on the Fig. 6-1 and connection of front and rear part of the fuselage is shown on the Fig. 6-1.

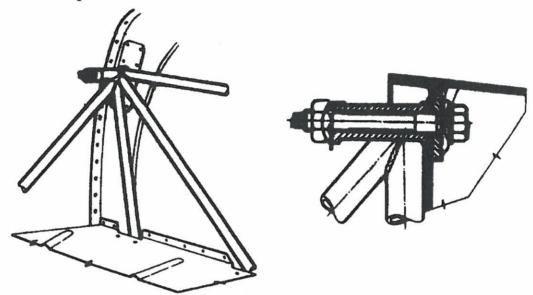


Fig. 6-1 Connection of fuselage front and rear part of the Z 242L aircraft

# Conclusion:

We appoint the value of Safe Fatigue Life of bolts connecting central and rear part of the fuselage, with respect to present maintenance system to:

L<sub>B</sub>= 6 000 flight hours.



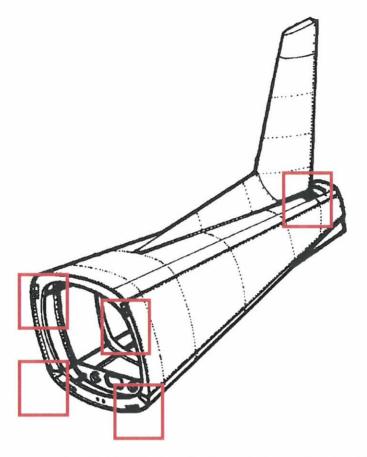


Fig. 6-2 Fuselage rear part of the Z 242L aircraft with market areas for visual inspection check

The Safe Fatigue Life of rear part of the fuselage will be secured with regular inspections and repairs in operation in accordance with specified maintenance system.

### Conclusion:

We appoint the safe fatigue life value of rear part of the fuselage to:

L<sub>B</sub>= 21 000 flight hours.

# Other procedures:

Proposed regular inspections acc. to:

Maintenance Manual Z 242L - Part I, II.

Replacement of the bolts connecting central and rear part of the fuselage:

- after every 6000 flight hours.

Visual inspection checks for crack, damage, deformation; see Fig. 6-2

- after every 500 flight hours.



## SAFE FATIGUE LIFE OF TAIL SURFACES

Safe Fatigue Life of tail surfaces was specified neither by calculation, nor by test. Safe Fatigue Life of tail units will be secured by regular checks and contingent repairs in operation in accordance with specified maintenance system.

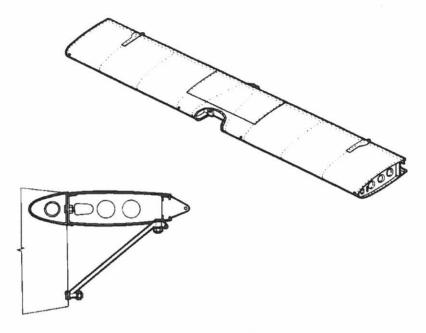


Fig. 7- 1 Stabilizer including supports

### Conclusion:

We appoint the value of Safe Fatigue Life of tail surfaces according to the above-given and with respect to other groups of primary frame to:

L<sub>B</sub>= 21 000 flight hours.

# Other procedures:

Proposed regular checks according to:

Maintenance Manual for Z 242L - Part I, II

#### Replacement:

- Stabilizer supports replacement including connecting bolts after every 6000 flight
- Connecting bolts attachment fittings of the stabilizer hours.
- after every 6000 flight



#### 8 SAFE FATIGUE LIFE OF ENGINE MOUNT

Safe Fatigue Life of engine mount was specified neither by calculation, nor by test. Safe Fatigue Life of engine mount will be secured by regular checks and repairs in operation in accordance with specified maintenance system.

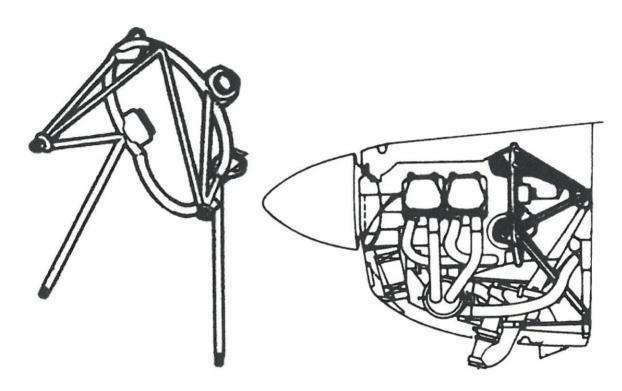


Fig. 8-1 Engine mount including engine clamping is shown on the figure

# Conclusion:

We appoint the value of Safe Fatigue Life value of engine mount according to the above-given to:

L<sub>B</sub>= 6 000 flight hours.

# Other procedures:

Proposed regular checks according to: Maintenance Manual for aircraft Z 242L - Part I, II.

### Replacement:

· Engine mount

- after every 6000 flight hours.



### 9 REGULAR REPLACEMENTS OF PARTS OF THE Z 242L AIRCRAFT

Main landing gear
 Main landing gear hinges screw
 Nose landing gear (without wheel)
 2500 flight hours (11000 landings)
 3500 flight hours (15000 landings)

### 10 AIRCRAFT PARTS AT WHICH OVERHAUL IS MADE

Engine
 Engine aggregates
 Magnetos
 Propeller
 Propeller governor
 Nose landing gear (without wheel)
 according to engine manufacturer data
 according to propeller manufacturer data
 according to governor manufacturer data
 according to manufacturer data

## 11 INSTRUMENTS AND AGGREGATES

Instruments and aggregates are kept "on condition". Maintenance and checks are performed according to Maintenance Manual Z 242L - Part I, II.

#### 12 OPERATION INFORMATION ANALYSIS

From the accessible information about the Z 242L aircraft operation in the aviation school (SCAT) results that there arose no significant failures of primary structure of the aircraft caused by operation loading of the aircraft. Increased number of defects was recorded at the brake system, propeller including propeller blades and flaps system.



#### 13 CONCLUSION

The Z 242L aircraft is designed in the category A, U and N in according to FAR Part 23 - Amdt. 23-36 inclusive. The aircraft is intended for basic and advanced training or acrobatic training and practice.

Calculations and analyses of primary structure of Z 242L aircraft were executed in accordance with AFS-120-73-2 and AC23-13A methodologies and according to FAR 23 Amdt. 23-36 inclusive. The critical place from the fatigue life point of view is on the lower duralumin flange, close behind the attachments. Loading at flight as well as at standing on the ground was taken-over from flight measurements of the Z 242L aircraft. The S-N curves were taken-over for duralumin flanges from the FAA AFS-120-73-2 methodology, for the main spar of the fuselage frame from the fatigue test of Z 242L main spar of the fuselage frame specimens.

All SCAT aircraft are monitored for the long time by the AMU1 system. The envelope of all AMU1 records was used as an input source for the aircraft prolongation.

From the calculations and fatigue tests follows that aircraft Z 242L, S/N 0682 and Z 242L, S/N 0684 operated in aviation school SCAT can be safely operated in category U and N up to 21 000 flight hours.

The Safe Fatigue Life value of the aircraft Z 242L, S/N 0682 and Z 242L, S/N 0684 primary structure is determined with respect to operation in SCAT to:

 $L_B = 21 000 flight hours.$ 



# **APPENDIX NO. 1**

TECHNICAL COMMISSION REPORT BASED ON THE REQUEST TO INCREASE

THE OPERATIONAL LIFE TIME UP TO 21 000 FLIGHT HOURS

(Z 242L, S/N 0684)



Aircraft Z 242L, S/N 0684,C-FCSB, Total flight hours: 17988.1, total landings: 17084

Wing - left: no cracks or damage; Wing - right: no cracks or damage; Ailerons: no cracks or damage; Flaps: no cracks or breaches; Fuselage: no cracks or breaks;

Fuselage: without cracks and breaches;

Horizontal tail surfaces: without cracks or breaks;

Vertical tail surfaces: no cracks or breaks; Engine bed: free of cracks and breaches;

Remarks: To the best of my knowledge this aircraft is in a safe fit condition to safely continue flight

operation.

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# **APPENDIX NO. 2**

TECHNICAL COMMISSION REPORT BASED ON THE REQUEST TO INCREASE

THE OPERATIONAL LIFE TIME UP TO 21 000 FLIGHT HOURS

(Z 242L, S/N 0682)



Aircraft Z 242L, S/N 0682,C-FHTU, Total flight hours: 17723.3, total landings: 16668

Wing - left: no cracks or damage; Wing - right: no cracks or damage; Allerons: no cracks or damage; Flaps: no cracks or breaches; Fuselage: no cracks or breaks;

Fuselage: without cracks and breaches;

Horizontal tail surfaces: without cracks or breaks;

Vertical tail surfaces: no cracks or breaks; Engine bed: free of cracks and breaches;

Remarks: To the best of my knowledge this aircraft is in a safe fit condition to safely continue flight

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