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RECREATIONAL AIRCRAFT AIRWORTHINESS NOTICE

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Fitting of external storage devices (PANNIERS) to Weight Shift Aircraft.

To: All owners and operators of Weight Shift Aircraft.

Background: During a recent investigation, it was identified that the Airborne 912 XT weight shift aircraft was fitted with 3 External PANNIERS (External storage devices). These were fitted to a Light Sport Aircraft and had **not been approved** by the manufacturer. Members are reminded that equipment must not be fitted to LSA Aircraft without approval by the manufacturer. In the case of Type Certified aircraft, approval may be granted by an appropriate issuing authority for Type Certified aircraft.



Action Required: **Immediately Prior to NEXT FLIGHT:**

Owner/operators of Light Sport Aircraft (LSA) are required to contact the manufacturer and seek approval for the fitment of any external storage devices if already fitted. In the case of Type Certified aircraft approval may be granted by an appropriate issuing authority for Type Certified aircraft. If approval is not provided, external storage devices such as PANNIERS are to be removed **IMMEDIATELY**.

Reports and Recording. The initial inspection is to be recorded in the aircraft log book citing *10072015WS*. Any further questions please refer to the manufacturer.

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Defect Reporting and accident investigations are primary means for ensuring continued safety in our operations.