

ADVISORY NOTICE

RECOMMENDED BEFORE FURTHER FLIGHT

REFERENCE NUMBER	ADN/Bushcat/1
TITLE	Skyreach Bushcat Seat Belt Harness Inspection
APPLICABILITY	All RAAus registered Skyreach Bushcat aircraft
ACTION	Recommended inspection of all seat belt harnesses. Inspect for deterioration due to mechanical wear, UV exposure, or chemical damage. Fraying is easy to identify however other types can be more difficult to spot. Pay particular attention to attachments and sewn joins for evidence of deterioration. If deterioration is found, RAAus recommends the aircraft is not flown until a replacement has been supplied from the manufacturer.
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REPORTING REQUIREMENTS	On completion of inspection, if any defects are identified, a Recreational Aviation Australia Occurrence report is to be completed through the website oms.raa.asn.au . On completion of the works, a statement is to be recorded in the aircraft maintenance log book citing ADN/ Bushcat/1
BACKGROUND	<p>Report received through the RAAus Occurrence Management system:</p> <p>Whilst the PIC was securing the seat belt harness by tightening the left hand shoulder strap, they heard a tearing sound and the shoulder harness extended. Further tightening of the harness resulted in the entire harness coming adrift from the aircraft.</p> <p>Upon inspection, the sewn portions of the harness behind the top of the seat backrest had come loose causing the individual pieces of the harness to separate. Further investigation of other harness pieces revealed the same fault. See images below.</p> <p>Contact Global Aviation Products for further information. See gap.aero</p>

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Failed left hand shoulder strap

Same location on right hand shoulder strap



Location of initial failure

REFERENCES	NIL
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DEFECT REPORTING HELPS KEEP AIRCRAFT SAFE AND COMPLIANT