

Republic of the Philippines CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. _28-18

TO

ALL AGRICULTURAL AIR OPERATORS

FROM

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT

GENERAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR R-985 ENGINES,

VISUAL INSPECTIONS AND VFR ONLY OPERATIONS

DATE

01 OCTOBER 2018

In the interest of aviation safety and in the light of the recent accidents involving RP-R2923 and RP-R3028, both AG CAT G164-A Type of Aircraft, all Agricultural Air Operators are hereby directed to strictly comply with the General Operating Instructions for R-985 engines on specific temperature limitations to reduce, if not eliminate, the issues related to cylinder head separation.

Agricultural Air Operators are also directed to ensure that the visual inspections on the area of the cylinder head cooling fins for exhaust emission stains and exhaust carbon deposits are incorporated in pre-flight and post-flight checklists.

Further, aerial spraying operations shall only be conducted under Visual Flight Rules (VFR).

The Authority will closely monitor the implementation of the abovementioned directives.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately and strict compliance is hereby enjoined.

CAPTAIN JIM C. SYDIONGCO

Director General

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