



# SERVICE LETTER

No. 871

Piper Aircraft Corporation

Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

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Subject:

Pedestal Control Assembly Inspection

Models Affected:

PA-31T Cheyenne/Cheyenne II  
PA-31T1 Cheyenne I

Serial Numbers Affected:

31T-7400002 through 31T-7920008  
31T-7804001 through 31T-7904002

Compliance Time:

Recommended within the next one hundred (100) hours of operation or at the next regularly scheduled inspection, whichever occurs first.

Purpose:

In the above listed aircraft, the pedestal control assembly may include some slotted friction plates in addition to the correct number of standard unslotted friction plates. It has been determined that the additional slotted friction plates could become dislodged, causing binding or roughness during control movement.

This service release provides instructions for the inspection of the pedestal control assembly for slotted friction plates and for the removal of such plates if found.

Instructions:

1. Gain access to the pedestal control assembly by removing the top front and top upper pedestal covers and the pedestal cover support channel.  
(For identification purpose reference PA-31T Parts Catalog, Figure 9-3).
2. Set friction control knob for minimum friction.
3. Inspect the twelve (12) locations (See Sketch) for slotted friction plates.
4. Remove any slotted plates found.
5. Reinstall pedestal cover support channel and pedestal covers previously removed.
6. Make appropriate Logbook entry of compliance with Service Letter No. 871.

Material Required:

None.

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Availability of Parts:

Not Applicable.

Effectivity Date:

This Service Letter is effective upon receipt.

Summary:

Please contact your Piper Field Service Facility to make arrangements for compliance with the provisions of this Service Letter in accordance with Compliance Time, above. Reimbursement is available for up to one half (.5) hour for inspection and modification. Comply with the respective labor allowance application procedure of your Piper Field Service Facility.

This offer is in effect for a period of time not to exceed 180 days from the date of this service release.

