



**Airworthiness  
Directive  
2002-232**

**Luftfahrt-Bundesamt**  
Airworthiness Directive Section  
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G E R M A N Y

**Ribeco**

Effective Date: 08. August 2002

**Affected:**

Kind of aeronautical product: Air Cargo Palette  
Manufacturer: Ribeco Frachtgeräte GmbH, Nußloch, Germany  
Type: 7-2ALP-L-30-()  
Models affected: All  
Serial numbers affected: All  
German Type Certificate No.: JTSO Authorisation LBA.O.11.400/171JTSO

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**Subject:**

Cancellation of JTSO Authorisation LBA.O.11.400/171JTSO

**Reason:**

With the JTSO Authorisation of the affected air cargo pallet in Germany, conditions were imposed by the Luftfahrt-Bundesamt because of partly incomplete certification proofs. One of these requirements was a load test under maximum proof load. Due to insolvency proceedings, Ribeco GmbH has not been able to fulfil these requirements until today. In the meantime, the Ribeco company was removed from the German trade register and the Luftfahrt-Bundesamt has therefore decided to cancel the existing JTSO Authorisation for this air cargo pallet.

**Action:**

The following actions are required by this Airworthiness Directive in order to address this problem:

1. Cancellation of the JTSO Authorisation LBA.O.11.400/171JTSO for the Ribeco air cargo pallet 7-2ALP-L-30-(). Further letters in place of the open bracket „()“ indicate a different model or variant.
2. Inspection of the affected air cargo pallets for signs of damages i.e. cracks or fractures.
3. Reduction of the permitted load to 75% of the specified maximum load declared by the manufacturer.
4. Retirement from service of all affected air cargo pallets.

**Compliance:**

For the mentioned actions the following compliance times have been laid down:

- Action 1: The JTSO Authorisation LBA.O.11.400/171JTSO for the Ribeco air cargo pallet 7-2ALP-L-30-() loses validity 31.12.2002.  
Action 2: Before each loading of the pallet.  
Action 3: With immediate effect.  
Action 4: Until 31 December 2002

**Technical publication of the manufacturer:**

None