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R66 SERVICE BULLETIN SB-30

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TO: R66 Owners, Operators, and Maintenance Personnel

SUBJECT: Lubrication of Swashplate Bearings

EFFECTIVITY: All R66 Helicopters.

- **TIME OF COMPLIANCE:** Every 1000 flight hours or 6 years time in service, whichever occurs first. For helicopters with more than 1000 flight hours or 6 years time in service, comply by 31 October 2019.
- **BACKGROUND:** This bulletin requires lubrication for swashplates at the midpoint of their service lives.

COMPLIANCE PROCEDURE:

- 1. Examine data plate on C017-6 swashplate and determine revision ("REV") letters. If revision letters are "AD" or subsequent, proceed to step 2. If revision letters are "AA", "AB", or "AC":
 - a. Obtain following parts from RHC Customer Service or an R66 Service Center:
 - (1) C200-3 retainer
 - (1) C206-2 retainer
 - (1) C217-1 seal
 - (1) C219-3 spacer
 - b. Remove swashplate per R66 Maintenance Manual (MM) § 67-40.
 - c. While holding lower swashplate stationary in one hand, rotate upper swashplate with opposite hand; if bearing roughness is detected, replace swashplate or submit swashplate to RHC for repair.
 - d. Refer to R66 Illustrated Parts Catalog (IPC) Figure 62-9 dated SEP 2018. From swashplate, remove and discard:

C200-1 retainer C206-1 retainer C218-1 shield C218-2 shield C219-1 spacer C219-2 spacer

Install (16) NAS1352N08-8 screws & NAS620-8L washers securing C205-1 sleeve and special torque screws per MM § 20-33.

- e. Refer to Figure 1. Perform steps 7 thru 11.
- f. Using yellow enamel or epoxy paint, apply a 0.2-inch diameter dot on the C017-6's data plate.
- g. Install swashplate per MM § 67-40.
- h. Proceed to step 17.
- 2. Remove ty-rap securing C480 boot to upper (rotating) swashplate.
- 3. Remove hardware securing lower rod ends of both C258 pitch links to upper swashplate. Temporarily secure boot, upper A205 fork, and both pitch links up & away from swashplate.
- 4. Rotate upper swashplate by hand; if bearing roughness is detected, replace swashplate or submit swashplate to RHC for repair.
- 5. Refer to Figure 1. Remove (10) NAS1352 screws (with washers) securing C206-2 & C200-3 retainers to upper swashplate. Raise both retainers and C219-3 spacer and either temporarily secure to chord arm (if on helicopter) or set aside (if on workbench).
- 6. Using a 0.006 inch feeler gage, gently pry up outer edge of upper C217-1 seal and expose top ball bearing.
- 7. Using a syringe or grease gun, add A257-3 grease into cavity above bearing set until grease is just below top of C205-1 sleeve (approx. 20 ml grease). Do not allow grease into screw holes.
- Position C217-1 seal atop grease followed by C219-3 spacer, C200-3 retainer, and NAS1352N08-8 screws with NAS620-8L washers. Finger-tighten all screws, then snug any (4) screws that are 90° apart, depressing seal and forcing grease into underlying bearing set. Rotate upper swashplate several revolutions. Wipe off excess grease.
- 9. Repeat steps 5 thru 8 <u>once</u>, then proceed to step 10.
- 10. Remove screws & washers and solvent-clean. Raise and clean C200-3 retainer and C219-3 spacer, then reinstall both.
- 11. Install C206-2 retainer, NAS620-8L washers, and NAS1352N08-8 screws with A257-9 anti-seize. Special torque screws per MM § 20-33.
- Refer to IPC Figure 62-5. Connect upper A205 fork rod end and lower rod end of associated C258 pitch link, to interrupter-side swashplate ear; standard torque bolt per MM § 20-32. Install palnut, standard torque per MM § 20-32, and torque stripe per MM Figure 5-1.

- 13. Attach two A255-3 counterweights, and lower rod end of C258 pitch link, to swashplate ear opposite interrupter; standard torque bolt per MM § 20-32. Install palnut, standard torque per MM § 20-32, and torque stripe per MM Figure 5-1.
- 14. Verify safety washers (or counterweight) and C115 spacers installed at all rod ends per MM Figure 5-1.

WARNING

Assembly of flight controls is critical and requires inspection by a qualified person. If a second person is not available, the installer must take a 5-minute break prior to inspecting flight control connections he has assembled.

- 15. While observing swashplate, have someone fully manipulate cyclic and collective controls. Verify swashplate movement corresponds with cyclic and collective movement, and without interference.
- 16. Position swashplate boot on upper swashplate and secure with MS3367-6-0 ty-rap.
- 17. With appropriately rated person at controls, start helicopter, run up to 100% N_R, then shutdown.
- 18. Remove ty-rap, and raise swashplate boot. Wipe off excess grease from swashplate. Position swashplate boot on upper swashplate and secure with MS3367-6-0 ty-rap.
- 19. Make appropriate maintenance record entries.

APPROXIMATE COST:

- Parts: \$385.50 if swashplate upgrade is required.
- Labor: 2.0 man-hours to lubricate bearings on Revision AD & subsequent swashplates.

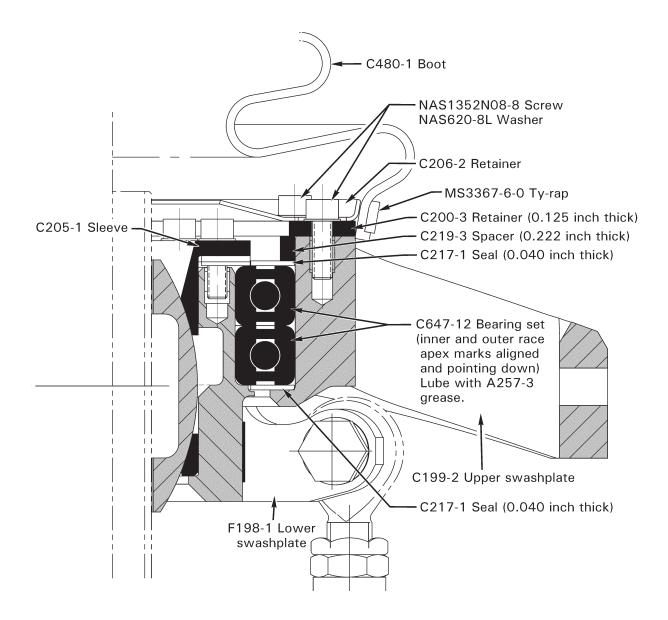


FIGURE 1 C017-6 REV AD OR LATER SWASHPLATE ASSEMBLY