

MANDATORY SERVICE BULLETIN

No. 0007DATE: 6TH November 2017

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SUBJECT: RAF 4a Engine Inlet Valve Rods P/n W2R1606-0006.

MODELS AFFECTED: Serial Numbers Affected:

All.

RAF 4a Engines.

Made by TVAL.

COMPLIANCE TIME:

At 25hrs TIS, or earlier if desired.

BACKGROUND: The Vintage Aviator has found that these inlet valve rods (Batches

6414 and 9975) were hardened all over, rather than just the base and as a result may crack through the adjustment thread area.

PURPOSE: This bulletin introduces a one off replacement of the affected parts

with new items.

COMPLIANCE: Upon reaching 25hrs TIS, the inlet valve rods must be replaced.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Remove engine air scoop.
- 2. Remove spark plugs and intake manifold assembly.
- 3. Remove inlet/exhaust valve rod guide bridges, and then remove inlet rod guides from crankcase with inlet valve rods.
- 4. Destroy old inlet valve rods and fit new parts ensuring that they are well lubricated.
- 5. Reassemble all engine parts removed.
- 6. Adjust valve clearances to 0.010" inlet and exhaust.
- 7. Refit air scoop, and perform an engine ground run.
- 8. Make a logbook entry indicating compliance with this Service Bulletin.

PARTS SUPPLIER: The Vintage Aviator Ltd.