



**Subject:** Optional removal of the winch launching hook

**Concerned:** Motorglider Model: TCDS No. 869  
G 103C TWIN III SL all S/N's

**Urgency:** optional

**Procedure:** An optional removal of the winch launching hook was already offered for all US-registered G 103 TWIN II and G 103A TWIN II ACRO with Service Bulletin 315-35. Due to the hook installation of the series G 103C TWIN III SL is identical, the optional removal is now offered also for this model. To keep the nose hook further operative, the installation of a "dummy" is mandatory.

- Actions:**
1. Remove the winch launching hook according to the Maintenance Manual and install in exchange the "dummy" P/N 102-2134.08.
  2. Attach the following placard to the front and rear cockpit:

The motorglider is not equipped with  
a winch launching hook  
**Winch launching is not allowed !**


3. In the Flight Manual the following note has to be placed handwritten:  
**"Winch launching using the nose hook is prohibited !"**

**Material:** The required material can be ordered from GROB.

**Weight and Balance:** not affected

- Remarks:**
1. The removal of the winch launching hook can be performed by a competent person or an authorized aviation work shop and has to be certified in the logbook by an authorized inspector.
  2. The reinstallation of the winch launching hook is permissible.
  3. If you have sold your motorglider in the meantime, would you kindly pass this information on to the new owner and forward his name and address and aircraft S/N to us.

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**LBA approved:**

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