

Service Bulletin

April 26, 1999 SEB99-5

TITLE

WING FUEL TANK VENT CHECK VALVE INSPECTION

EFFECTIVITY

The following airplanes equipped with a part number S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve or part number 0716125-2, 0523553-5, or 0523553-6 Fuel Vent Tube Assembly that was shipped from Cessna on July 1, 1998 thru March 22, 1999.

Model Series	<u>Year</u>	Serial I	Numb	<u>ers</u>
150 150 150	1960 1960		thru thru 649	17999 59018
150	1961 thru 1977	15059019	thru	15079405
A150 A150	1970 thru 1977	A1500001 15064970	thru	A1500734
152	1978 thru 1985	15279406	thru	15286033
A152 A152 A152	1978 thru 1985	A1520735 A1500433 681	thru	A1521049
172 172 172 172 172	1956 thru 1959 1956 thru 1959 1956 thru 1960 1961 thru 1986	36000 46001 610, 612, 615,	thru thru thru 622, thru	29999 36999 47746 625, 630, 639, 638 17276654
172Q	1983 thru 1984	17275869	thru	17276211
175 175	1958 thru 1960	55001 28700A, 619	thru	56777
175	1961 thru 1962	17556778	thru	17557119

To obtain satisfactory results, procedures specified in this publication must be accomplished in accordance with accepted methods and prevailing government regulations. The Cessna Aircraft Company cannot be responsible for the quality of work performed in accomplishing the requirements of this publication.

Model Series	<u>Year</u>	Serial Numbers		
P172 R172 R172 R172	1963 1967 thru 1969 1969 thru 1976 1974	P17257120 R172-0001 R1720410 P17257189	thru thru thru	P17257188 R172-0409 R1720620
R172 R172	1977 thru 1981	R1722000 680	thru	R1723454
172RG 172RG	1980 thru 1985	172RG0001 691	thru	172RG1191
180 180	1953 thru 1957	30000 604, 614, 624	thru , 645	32999
180 180	1957 thru 1960 1961 thru 1981	50001 18050912	thru thru	50911 18053203
182 182 182	1956 thru 1958 1958 thru 1960	33000 51001 613, 631, 634	thru thru , 675	34999 53007
182/T182	1961 thru 1986	18253008	thru	18268586
R182/TR182	1978 thru 1986	R18200001	thru	R18202039
185 185 185	1961 thru 1969 1970 thru 1985	185-0001 18501600 632, 652	thru thru	185-1599 18504448
188/A188 188/A188 188/A188	1966 thru 1969 1970 thru 1983	188-0001 653 18800573	thru thru	188-0572 18803973
A188 A188	1972 thru 1983	18800967T 678T	thru	18803973T
T188	1979 thru 1983	T18802839T	thru	T18803974T
210-5 (205) 210-5 (205)	1963	205-0001 641	thru	205-0577
206	1964	206-0001	thru	206-0275
U206	1965 thru 1969	U206-0276	thru	U206-1444
U206/TU206 U206/TU206	1970 thru 1986	U20601445 676	thru	U20607020
P206/TP206 P206/TP206	1965 thru 1969 1970	P206-0001 P20600604	thru thru	P206-0603 P20600647
207/T207	1969 thru 1984	20700001	thru	20700788
210 210 210	1960 1961 thru 1966	57001 21057576 618, 616	thru thru	57575 21058818
T210	1966	T210-0001	thru	T210-0197

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A-150	1972 thru 1973	A-1501001	thru	A-1501039
A-A150	1972 thru 1973	A-A1500001	thru	A-A1500009
A182	1966 thru 1976	A182-0001	thru	A182-0148
A-A188	1972 thru 1976	A-A1880001	thru	A-A1880034
F150 F150	1966 thru 1969 1970 thru 1977	F150-0001 F15000530	thru thru	F150-0529 F15001428
FA150	1970 thru 1977	FA1500001	thru	FA1500336
FRA150	1972 thru 1977	FRA1500121	thru	FRA1500336
F152	1978 thru 1986	F15201429	thru	F15201980
FA152	1978 thru 1986	FA1520337	thru	FA1520425
FP172	1963	FP172-0001	thru	FP172-0003
F172 F172	1963 thru 1969 1970 thru 1986	F172-0001 F17200655	thru thru	F172-0654 F17202254
FR172	1968 thru 1981	FR17200001	thru	FR17200675
F182	1976 thru 1980	F18200001	thru	F18200169
FR182	1978 thru 1980	FR18200001	thru	FR18200070

PURPOSE

A report has been received which indicates that a part number S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve was obstructed and caused a greater than ambient pressure to occur in the wing fuel tank (wing fuel tank pressurization).

An inspection is required of affected part number S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valves to ensure the valves are not obstructed and that the wing fuel tank is venting properly.

This condition, if not corrected, may allow pressurization of the wing fuel tank which could result in a wing and/or wing fuel tank structural failure.

COMPLIANCE

Mandatory; shall be accomplished within the next 10 hours of operation or 10 days, whichever occurs first.

APPROVAL

FAA approval has been obtained on technical data in this publication that affects airplane type design.

For Reims Aviation Airplanes, DGAC approval has been obtained on technical data in this publication that affects airplane type design.

MAN-HOURS

INSPECTION:

For airplanes with one (1) affected valve installed, 1.4 man-hours per airplane.

For airplanes with two (2) affected valves installed, 1.6 man-hours per airplane.

AFFECTED S2359-1 FUEL VENT VALVE REPLACEMENT, IF REQUIRED:

For wet wing and bladder tank airplanes:

replacement of one (1) affected valve, 3.1 man-hours per airplane.

replacement of two (2) affected valves, 4.9 man-hours per airplane.

For airplanes with metal fuel tanks:

replacement of one (1) affected valve, 4.3 man-hours per airplane.

replacement of two (2) affected valves, 7.0 man-hours per airplane.

MATERIAL

The following is available from Cessna Parts Distribution through an appropriate Cessna Service Station for the suggested list price shown.

Part Number	<u>Description</u>	Qty/Airplane	<u>Price</u>
S2359-1	Fuel Vent Check Valve	(as required)	\$ 80.10 (A) ea.
0523554-1	Gasket	(as required)	\$ 9.10 (SE) ea.
0523554-2	Gasket	(as required)	\$ 9.11 (SE) ea.

ALL PRICES SUBJECTED TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Refer to the applicable airplane service manual.
- 2. Electrically ground airplane and confirm the battery switch/master switch is in the "OFF" position.

WARNING:

DURING ALL FUEL SYSTEM SERVICING PROCEDURES, FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT MUST BE AVAILABLE. INSTALL TWO GROUND WIRES FROM AIRPLANE TIE DOWN RINGS TO AN APPROPRIATE ELECTRICAL GROUND STAKE. ENSURE BATTERY/MASTER SWITCH IS IN THE "OFF" POSITION.

WARNING:

FUEL AND/OR FUEL VAPORS CAN BE HARMFUL IF INHALED, INGESTED OR SWALLOWED.

3. (Refer to Figure 1.) Locate the applicable wing fuel vent port of the affected S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve.

CAUTION: DO NOT USE A MECHANICAL MEANS OF PRESSURIZING THE FUEL TANK.

A. Using a rubber hose or other suitable tubing, place one end over the wing fuel vent (located under the wing aft of the lift strut) and physically blow into the fuel vent. Continue to blow into the fuel vent until resistance is felt (the resistance should be similar to the resistance felt while inflating a balloon).

NOTE: This method should be accomplished with the fuel tank less than 3/4 full of fuel

NOTE: If the airplane is equipped with a fuel vent under each wing, temporally plug the vent that is not being supplied with air.

- B. After fuel vent system has been pressurized to above ambient pressure, insert end of rubber hose into a container of water and watch for a continuous stream of bubbles. A continuous stream of bubbles indicates the valve assembly bleed hole is open and is relieving pressure in the fuel tank.
- C. If there has been air flow into the fuel vent, but there is no pressure (no bubbles) in the fuel vent system, check system for leaks and repeat Step 3.B.
- D. If a continuous stream of bubbles is observed escaping the fuel vent, proceed to Step 5.

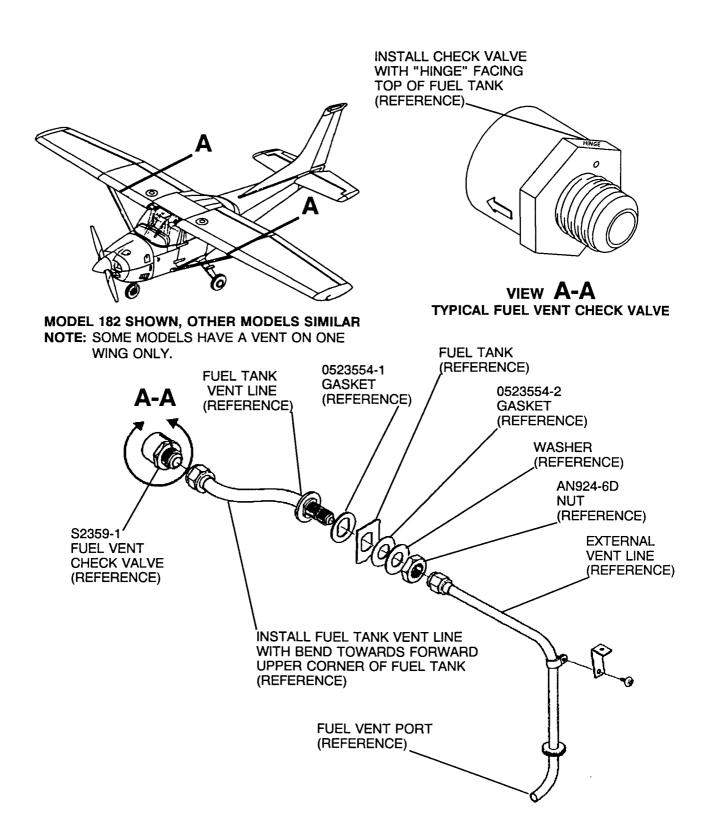
CAUTION: REMOVE THE FUEL CAP SLOWLY, CONTENTS OF THE WING FUEL TANK MAY BE UNDER PRESSURE

- E. If there has been air flow into the fuel vent, but air/fuel vapor is not observed escaping the fuel vent, slowly remove the wing fuel cap to relieve any pressure that may be in the fuel tank.
 - (1) If fuel tank was found to have pressure, proceed to Step 3.F.
- F. Disconnect all electrical power from the airplane. Attach maintenance warning tags to the battery and external power receptacle stating:

WARNING: DO NOT CONNECT ELECTRICAL POWER - MAINTENANCE IN PROGRESS

- G. Drain fuel from wing fuel tank and gain access to the S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve. Remove and replace the S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve.
 - (1) The following procedures applies to airplanes equipped with metal fuel tanks. Refer to Figure 1., gain access to the top of the fuel tank. Disconnect the external vent line from the fuel tank vent line.
 - (2) Remove wing access panels as required, using a stiff wire rod, insert rod inside the exposed end of the fuel tank vent line fitting. Loosen and slide the AN924-6D nut and washer securing vent line to fuel tank over wire rod. Retain AN924-6D nut and washer, discard 0523554-2 gasket. Attach/wrap safety wire (0.021 wire recommended) to outside threaded portion of vent line. Using the wire rod, carefully push the fuel tank vent tube and safety wire to the fuel tank filler opening.
 - (3) Remove fuel tank vent line and gasket, discard gasket, and pull safety wire through fuel tank and secure end of safety wire.
 - (4) Replace S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve and install on fuel tank vent line as shown in Figure 1.
 - (5) Using the safety wire, pull new 0523554-1 gasket, fuel tank vent line and check valve through fuel tank and position as shown in Figure 1.

- (6) Remove safety wire and secure check valve, fuel tank vent line to fuel tank with new 0523554-2 gasket and retained AN924-6D nut and washer.
- (7) Reconnect external vent line to fuel tank.
- H. Repeat Steps 4. B., 4.C., and 4.D.
- I. If applicable, remove plug installed in Step 4.A.
- J. Refuel wing fuel tank.
- K. Check for leaks and reinstall items removed in Step 4.G.
- 5. Remove maintenance warning tags and reconnect the airplane battery.
- 6. Make an entry in the airplane logbook stating compliance with this Service Bulletin and method of compliance.



DETAIL A

TYPICAL FUEL VENT CHECK VALVE INSTALLATION
(LEFT SIDE SHOWN, RIGHT SIDE OPPOSITE)

Figure 1. Fuel Vent Check Valve Inspection (Sheet 1 of 1)

CREDIT

If required, applicable parts credit will be provided.

The following labor allowance credit will be provided:

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To receive credit, the work must be completed and a Quick Claim must be submitted by a Single Engine Service Station before the dates shown below:

NOTE: The removed S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve along with a copy of the logbook entry for the installation of an affected S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve or an assembly containing the S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve must be included with the Quick Claim.

Domestic August 26, 1999

International October 26, 1999

Service Stations that have a part number S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve or part number 0716125-2, 0523553-5, or 0523553-6 Fuel Vent Tube Assembly in stock that was shipped from Cessna on July 1, 1998 thru March 22, 1999 should return the affected part(s) to Cessna Parts Distribution via normal procedures for applicable part(s) replacement.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

On April 26, 1999, the following Owner Advisory message will be sent to applicable owners of record in SEB99-5A.

Dear Cessna Owner:

An inspection is required to check if a part number S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve has been installed on your airplane that was shipped from Cessna Parts Distribution on July 1, 1998 thru March 22, 1999.

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Compliance is mandatory; shall be accomplished within the next 10 hours of operation or 10 days, whichever occurs first.

A labor allowance credit will be provided for inspection, and if required, replacement of affected S2359-1 Fuel Vent Check Valve(s). If required, applicable parts credit will also be provided for replacement valve(s).

Please contact a Cessna Single Engine Service Station for detailed information and make arrangements to have Cessna Service Bulletin SEB99-5 accomplished on your airplane.

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