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First G-reg Mission M108 receives Permit to Fly

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Following an eight-month test and evaluation phase by the Engineering department of the Light Aircraft Association (LAA), the first UK-registered Lambert Mission M108, G-STPK, received its full Permit to Fly on 30 January 2015.

This completes the Mission M108 type approval process with the LAA, and the Mission M108 type has now been added to the list of LAA-approved aircraft designs. The milestone allows the Mission M108 to be built. registered and flown in the UK. Validation of the UK type approval is already underway in several other countries, consequently adding the design to their own national

approval schemes.

A press release explained, This LAA approval is the result of a major effort by all parties involved. Particular thanks go to the staff at the LAA Engineering department, LAA Chief Test Pilot Dan Griffith and LAA Inspector Finbar Colson.'

The Mission M108 is a two-seater, single-engine (group A) aircraft with a maximum take-off weight of 600kg and is powered by a 100hp Rotax 912iS engine.

The Mission M108 is available as a kit. There is a choice between a Standard Kit and an Advanced Kit with optional Build Assist Program. The Build Assist Program allows customers to assemble their kit at the Lambert factory at Kortrijk-Wevelgem airfield, Belgium. The program involves three factory visits of one week each. Both kits and the Build Assist Program meet the 51% rule and are LAA approved.

Steve Kember, builder/owner of Mission M108 G-STPK intends to fly his aircraft to the UK later this month. It will be based at a 300 metre farm strip in East Sussex. A new company demonstrator aircraft is nearing completion, and assembly of three customer purchased kits is in progress. Steve has also been appointed as sales representative for UK & Ireland for the Mission M108.

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