

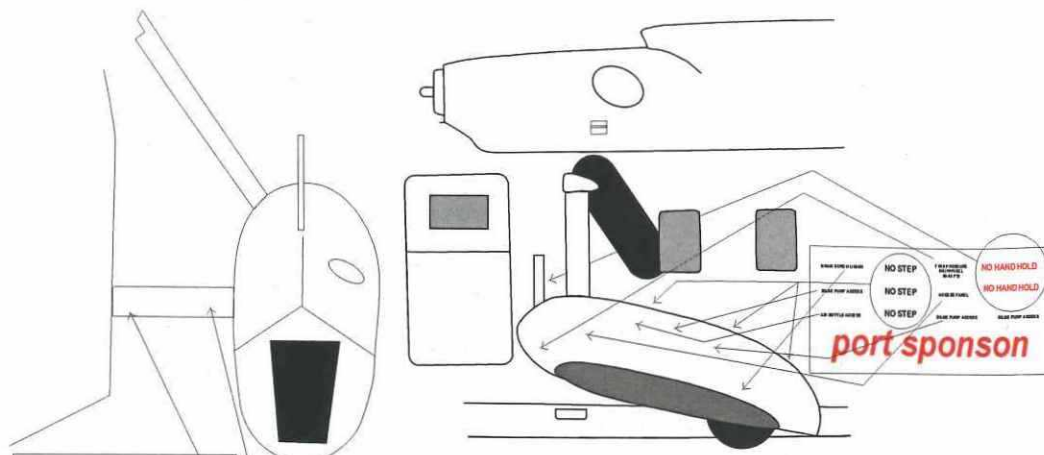


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1/48 scale  
**RAF Sea King HAR.3A**  
 50th Anniversary of 22 Sqn. as a SAR unit  
 Set # WBA 48022

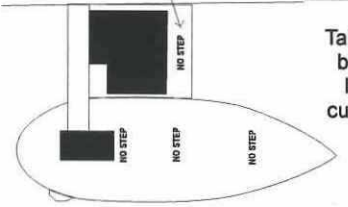
Initially formed at Fort Grange, Gosport, on 1 September 1915, 22 Sqn. served in France during the First World War, only to be disbanded in 1919. It was reformed in 1923, and saw service in WW2 both in the UK and the Far East in the anti-shipping role. Disbanded again in 1945, 22 Sqn. was reformed in 1955, this time as a search and rescue unit equipped with Whirlwinds. It is in this guise that No. 22 Squadron exists today, having flown Wessex helicopters for a number of years before receiving Sea Kings in the mid-1990s.

The Sea King depicted in these decals was given special markings in 2005 to mark 50 years of 22 Sqn. as a Search and Rescue unit.

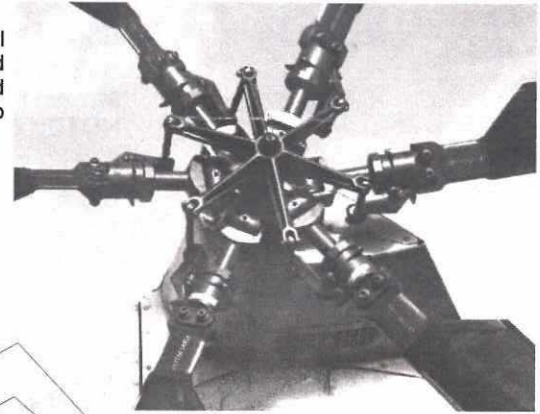


NO STEP NO STEP  
**sponson pylon - port**  
 NO PUSH

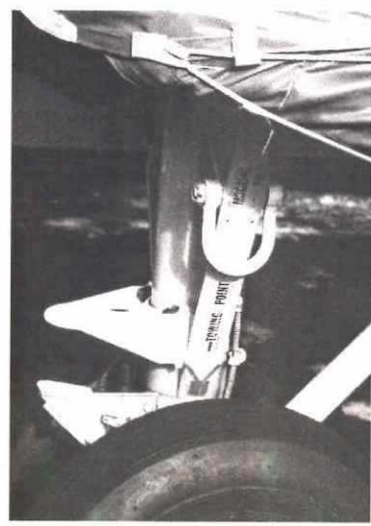
The drawings show data placement on the port sponson and pylon - the starboard sponson was marked in the same way.  
 A photograph of the port sponson can be found on the front page of this booklet, together with details of data placement on the aircraft nose, and inside the port side crew door.



Tail rotor blades:  
 black blade, metal leading edge, red cuffs, red-white-red stripes on tip



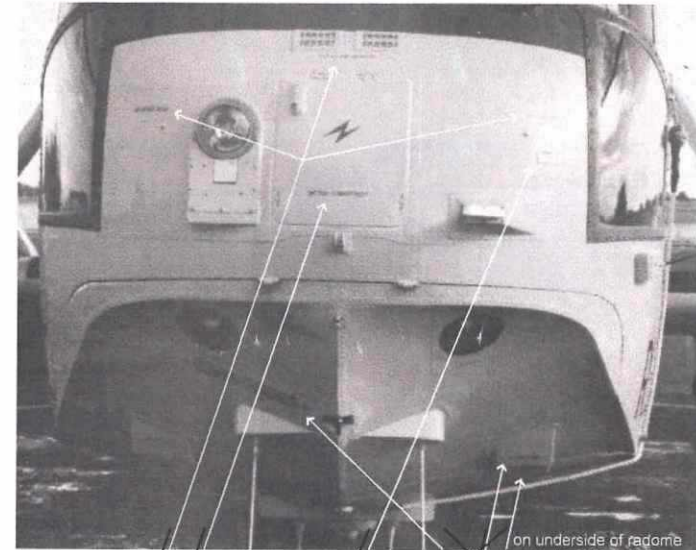
**on main u/c legs**



'INBOARD' on side nearest aircraft, 'OUTBOARD' on other side

**tail rotor cuffs and blades**

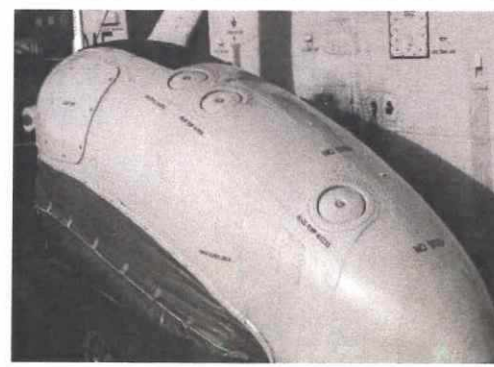
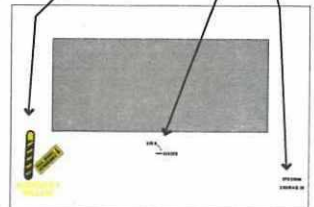
**root of rotor blades**



on underside of radome (starboard similar)  
**nose**

second 'OPEN' goes inside lower crew door - one step up from bottom, and upright (as seen from inside with the door closed)

**inside of crew door**



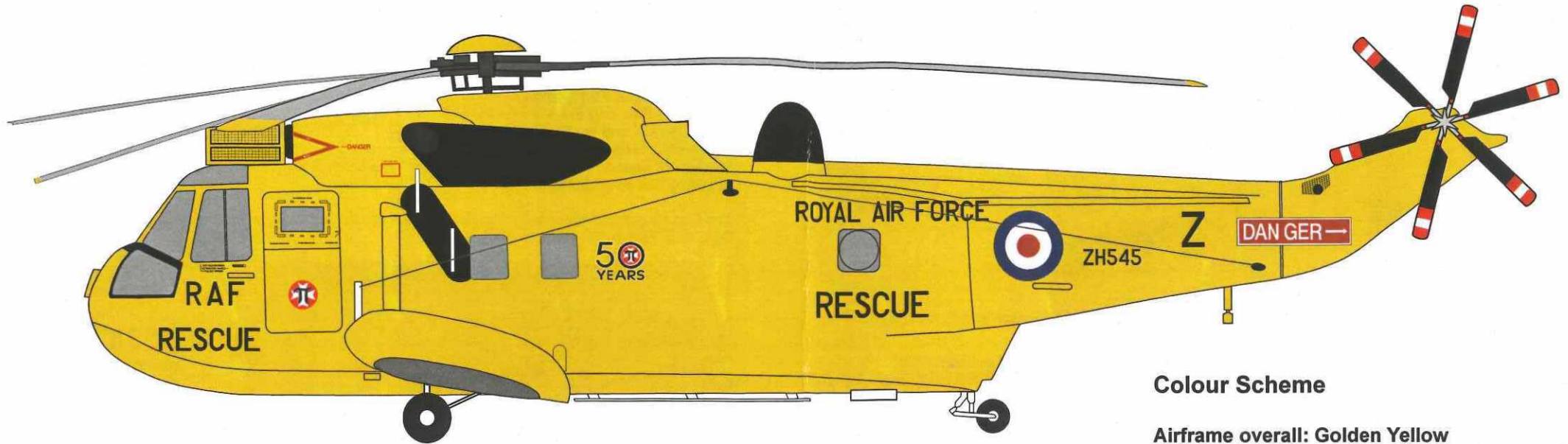
port sponson from the rear

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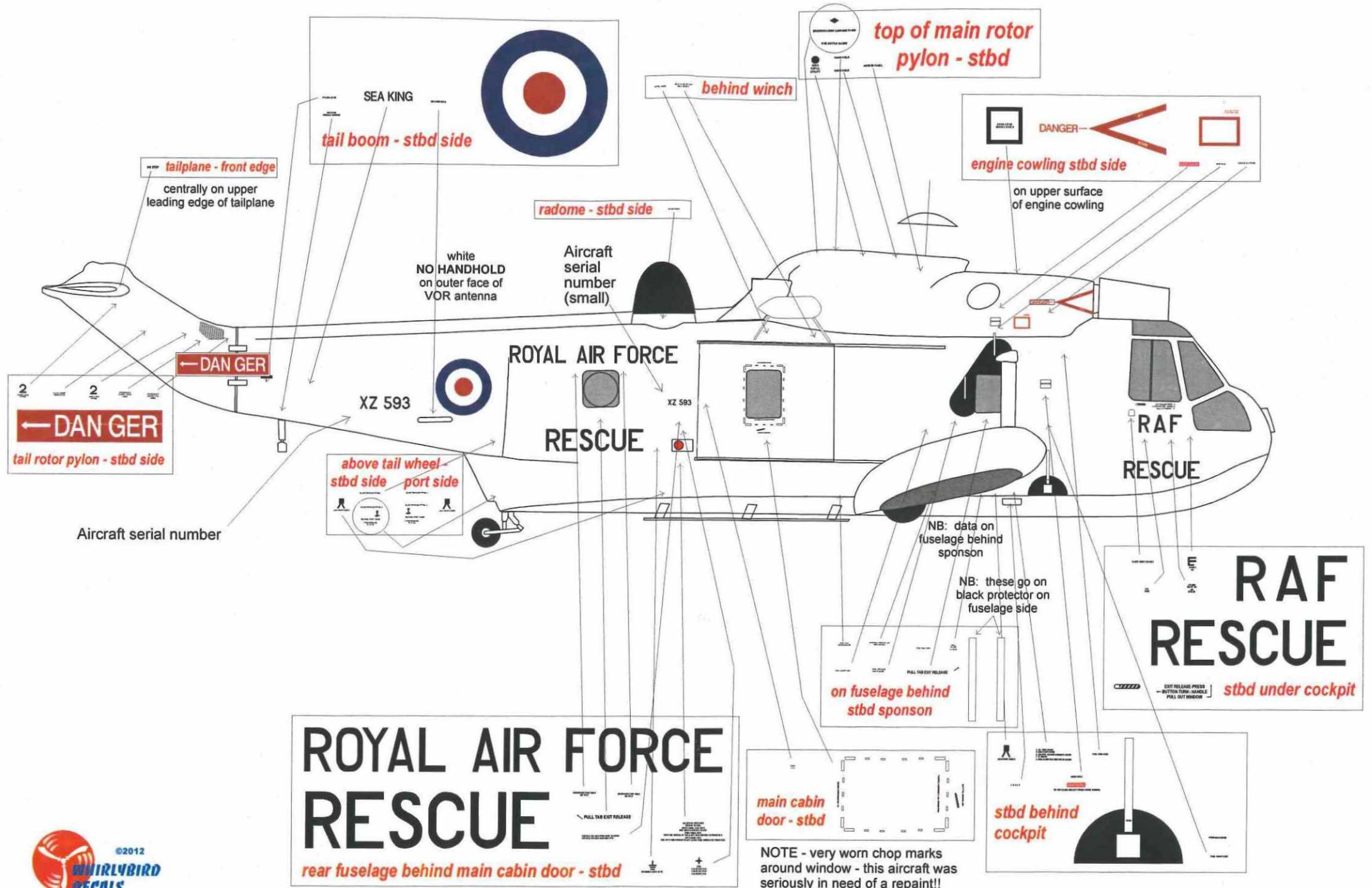
### Colour Scheme

Airframe overall: Golden Yellow  
 (Xtracolor X019 or Xtracrylic XA1019)  
 Rotor blades: Dark Grey upper  
 surfaces, black undersides  
 NOTE: One rotor blade has  
 a yellow upper surface to aid  
 visibility



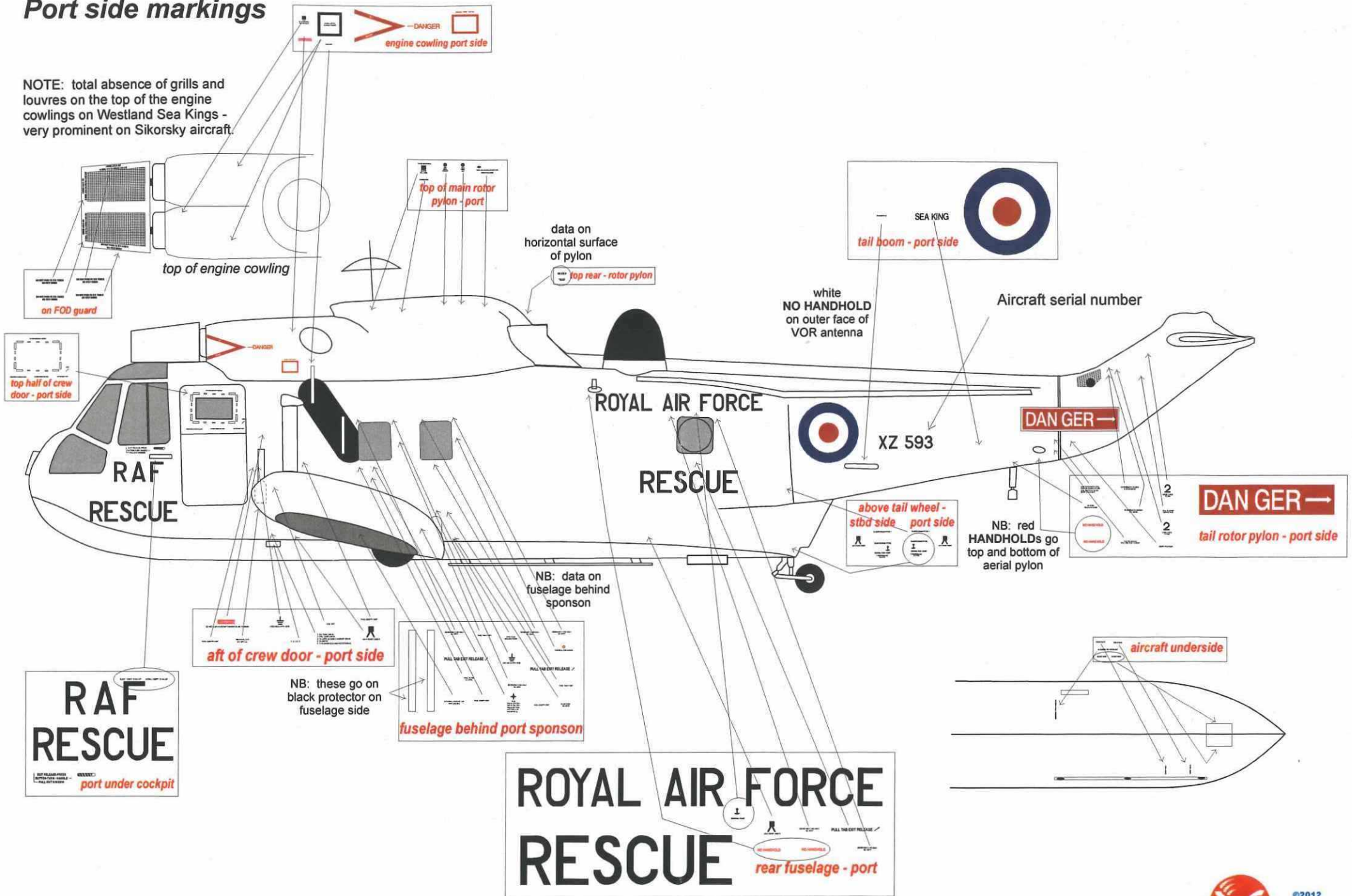
NOTE: the main rotor blades  
 on this aircraft are of the new  
 composite type, rather than  
 the old metal type.

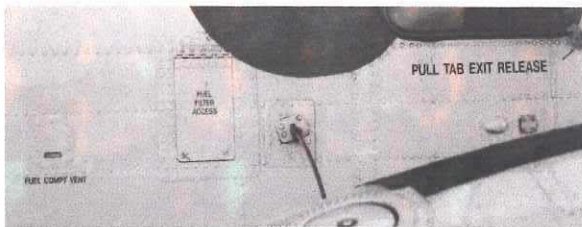
# Starboard side markings



# Port side markings

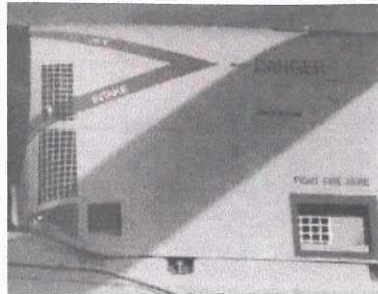
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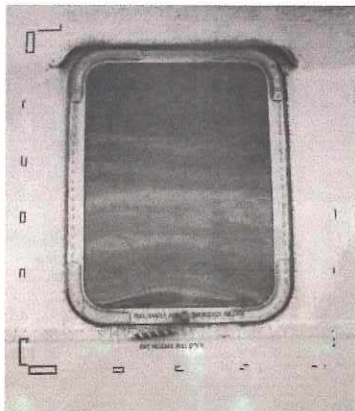
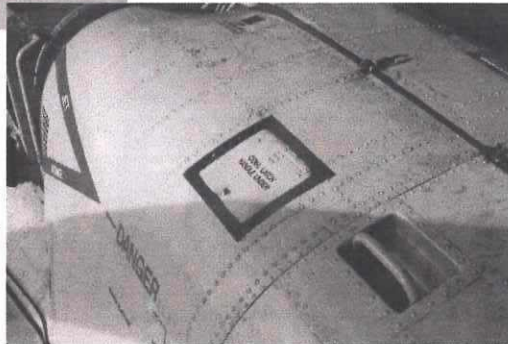
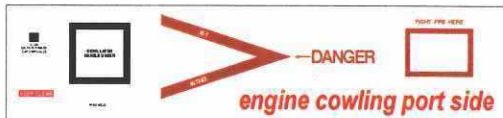


**on fuselage behind stbd sponson**

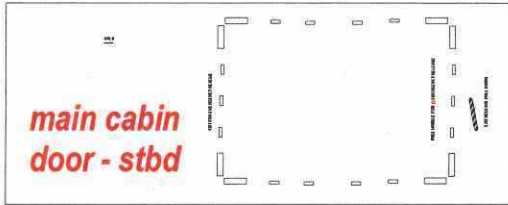
**NOTE:** the white stripes are applied over the vertical black 'walkway' on the fuselage side above the sponsons as foot guides when climbing up to the service platform around the engines.



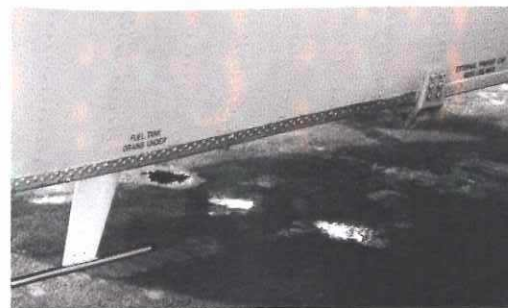
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**NOTE -** very worn chop marks around window - this aircraft was seriously in need of a repaint!!



**behind winch**



**radome - stbd side**



XZ596 is illustrated here simply to show the positioning of the large RAF & RESCUE titles, plus the roundel and serial on the tail boom. XZ593 was similar.

# ROYAL AIR FORCE RESCUE

**rear fuselage behind main cabin door - stbd**



