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**Safety Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the General Aviation Safety Council of Ireland should conduct an awareness programme for their applicable membership, on the hazards associated with ultraviolet degradation of microlight sails and covers and on measures which may be taken to mitigate such hazards.

**Response:**

The Chairman of the General Aviation Safety Council of Ireland responded to the AAIU by letter dated 24 December 2014 advising that:

"GASCI members have highlighted this issue to their respective organisations. We have added a page to the GASCI 'website library' reference section highlighting the hazards of UV degradation to light aircraft sails and covers, linking your report as well as BMAA information recently published.

[Http://gasci.weebly.com/uv-degradation-of-aircraft-coverings.html](http://gasci.weebly.com/uv-degradation-of-aircraft-coverings.html)

We have also posted this advice on the GASCI facebook page and online through the 'Flying in Ireland' forum."

**AAIU Comment:**

The AAIU considers the status of this Safety Recommendation to be one of "Implemented, closed".