



PRESS RELEASE

DART Aerospace receives new EASA STC for its Bell 505 external cargo Heli-Utility-Basket™

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DART Aerospace is proud to announce that it has received a new EASA STC certification for the external cargo Heli-Utility-Basket™ specifically tailored for the Bell 505 aircraft.

The **Bell 505 Heli-Utility-Basket™**, now certified under an **EASA STC**, is the latest addition to DART's proven line of utility baskets. It complements DART's existing Heli-Utility-Baskets™ for platforms such as the H125, Bell 407, R66, and AW119, as well as other helicopter models manufactured by Airbus, Bell, Leonardo, and Robinson.



Designed for both utility and VIP operations, the Bell 505 Heli-Utility-Basket™ offers quick and easy installation and provides a safe, external solution for carrying skis, cargo hooks, tools, equipment, and a wide range of mission-essential items. The basket is constructed from corrosion-resistant stainless steel and finished with a high-gloss, scratch-resistant white coating for long-term durability and a clean appearance.

Safety and ease of use are built into every detail. A simple self-locking handle ensures secure lid closure and keeps cargo safely contained during flight, while a gas spring assists with smooth and controlled lid opening and closing. With its **EASA STC approval**, the Bell 505 Heli-Utility-Basket™ delivers a certified, reliable solution tailored to the needs of European operators.

The [Bell 505 Heli-Utility-Basket™](https://www.dartaerospace.com) is available on DART's website, www.dartaerospace.com.

About DART Aerospace

Since 1975, DART Aerospace has grown to become the industry leader in helicopter mission equipment, parts and accessories, serving more than 120 countries and supporting over 5,000 aircraft worldwide.

Over the years, DART has evolved into a global force in helicopter equipment with 2000 STC certified products, a robust aftermarket support network, and a team of passionate experts dedicated to our customers' missions, whether in emergency medical services, firefighting, utility, law enforcement, defense, completion centers, MR&O facilities, or all major rotorcraft OEMs.

DART's key products include aerial firefighting systems, flotation systems, landing gear, interior and exterior accessories, fuel cells, cargo expansion, cable cutters, environmental control systems, and ground support equipment.

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