

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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Inspection and/or modifications described below are mandatory. No person may operate a product to which this Airworthiness Directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of this Airworthiness Directive.

Translation of 'Consigne de Navigabilité' ref. : 96-270-209(B) R1
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A300, A310 and A300-600 Aircraft

Engine controls - Replacement of bearing on both throttle control levers

This Airworthiness Directive applies to AIRBUS INDUSTRIE aircraft models :

- A300, A310 and A300-600, all certified models and all serial numbers, which have not been supplied with AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification N° 6903 (AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletins A300-76-018 or A310-76-2013 or A300-76-6010).
- and
- A310 and A300-600, all certified models and all serial numbers, equipped with "FADEC", which have not been supplied with AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification N° 11371 (AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletins A310-76-2014 Revision 1 or A300-76-6011 Revision 1).

Friction points during operation of the throttle control linkage inside the centre cockpit pedestal might occur, which might lead to asymmetric throttle movements, when the ATS is engaged. This asymmetric thrust condition, if not corrected by the flight crew, may lead to difficulty in the control of the flight path. Therefore to prevent these friction points, the following measures are rendered mandatory from the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive.

Within 18 months or 3,500 flight hours following the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive on original issue, whichever occurs first :

1. Replace the 4 bearings of the 2 throttle control levers by sealed bearings in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletins A300-76-018 or A310-76-2013 or A300-76-6010.

NOTE 1 : Aircraft which have been originally supplied with modification N° 6903 are not affected by paragraph 1 of this Airworthiness Directive.

2. Replace the 2 throttle support assemblies in accordance with the instructions of Service Bulletins A310-76-2014 Revision 1 or A300-76-6011 Revision 1.

NOTE 2 : Paragraph 2 of this Airworthiness Directive only applies to A310 and A300-600 aircraft equipped with "FADEC", and on which AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification N° 11371 has not been embodied.

Ref. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletins :

A300-76-018

A310-76-2013

A310-76-2014 Revision 1

A300-76-6010

A300-76-6011 Revision 1

(or any further approved revision)

This Revision 1 replaces Airworthiness Directive 96-270-209(B) dated November 20, 1996.

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