## **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.: 96-057-042(B In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## **AIRBUS INDUSTRIE**

## A340 Aircraft

Centre fuselage - CGL door/Structure - Joint area between FR. 49 and 53.2

This Airworthiness Directive applies to AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A340 aircraft certified in models -211, -212, -311 and -312 which have not received either AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 42605 or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4028.

In order to prevent a damage in the inboard Z profile at the CLG door fitting location (FR. 49 to 53.2) caused by cracks evidenced during fatigue tests and which could lead to a reduced structural integrity, the following measures are rendered mandatory on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive:

- 1. Before accumulation of 5500 flight cycles, perform a detailed visual inspection of the inboard Z member (LH/RH) in accordance with the instructions given in AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4029.
- 2. Depending upon the results of this inspection:
  - 2.1 either, if no crack is found: repeat the inspection in accordance with the instructions given in AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service bulletin A340-53-4029 at intervals not exceeding 5500 flight cycles, or accomplish the preventive measure in accordance with the instructions given in AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4028.
  - **2.2** or, if crack is found: refer to the actions and thresholds as defined on the synoptic chart 1 of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4029.

No further action is required after accomplishment of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4028 provided it is install on a crack free Z profile.

Ref.: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4029 (or any further approved revisions)
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