

# 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. : 97-143-227(B)  
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

### A310 and A300-600 Aircraft

Aft cargo compartment forward container latch attachment features

This Airworthiness Directive applies to AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models and all serial numbers on which AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 6919 (A.C.T. provisions) or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 11849 (Equipment furnishings - LD aft cargo compartment - Change of fixation elements for XZ-latches and X-latches) have not been embodied.

In order to detect and correct any improper installation of the aft cargo compartment forward container latch attachment features that could lead to a separation of the container latches from the cargo floor if excessive loads were applied, the following measures are rendered mandatory from the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive :

- 1) Within 1000 flight hours following the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive, following the instructions given in paragraph 4.3. of A.O.T. 25-05 revision 3, identify the washers and latch attachment bolts, and replace them if necessary, in order to obtain a correct configuration as described in paragraph 4.3. of this A.O.T.
- 2) Before accomplishment of the instructions given in paragraph 1 of this Airworthiness Directive, before each flight, respect the following aft compartment cargo loading instructions :
  - If half size ULD's shall be loaded in the aft cargo compartment, it has to be done in a way that a ULD acceleration towards the most forward position is not possible in case of a latch failure. This leads to the following instruction :

**On both left and right side of the aft cargo compartment, the most forward position and the second most forward position have to be either both loaded or empty. In case where these positions are empty, all the aft cargo compartment latches have to be raised.**

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**NOTE** : These loading instructions are less stringent than the instructions given in AOT 25-05 rev. 3.

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Ref. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE AOT 25-05 Rev. 3

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This Airworthiness Directive cancels the requirements of Airworthiness Directive CN 97-129-226(B)

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**EFFECTIVE DATE : UPON RECEIPT**