

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. : 1998-122-244(B) R1
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A300, A310 and A300-600 aircraft

Slides and slide rafts - Modification of the regulator valve (ATA 25)

APPLICABILITY

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A300, A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models and all serial numbers fitted with BF GOODRICH slides or slide rafts, with the following P/N :

7A1296-001, -002 and -003,
7A1297-101, -102, -201 and -202,
7A1298-001, -002 and -003,
7A1299-001, -002, -003 and -004,
7A1300-001, -002, -003, -004, -005 and -006,
7A1359-001, -002, -003 and -004.

REASONS

During evacuation tests on an A300 aircraft, some slides and slide rafts did not deploy correctly. An improper operation of the regulator valve is at the origin of the delayed slide/slide raft deployment.

Revision1 of this Airworthiness Directive takes into account the latest revision of one referenced Service Bulletin without modifying the conditions of embodiment of this AD.

ACTION

During next major overhaul and at the latest on March, 31, 2001, modify the affected slide/slide rafts (refer to paragraph APPLICABILITY of this Airworthiness Directive), in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-25-0464 or A310-25-2119 or A300-25-6137 (following the instructions of BF GOODRICH Service Bulletin 25-262 revision 1).

REF. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin
A300-25-0464, A310-25-2119, A300-25-6137
(original issues or any other later revisions)
BF GOODRICH Service Bulletin 25-262 revision 1
(or any later approved revision)

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EFFECTIVE DATES :

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