

# 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. : 1998-449-265(B) R1  
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

### A300 and A300-600 aircraft

Wings - Outer shroud box aft hinge brackets (ATA 57)

#### APPLICABILITY :

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A300 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models and all serial numbers, on which AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification No. 6661 has not been embodied.

#### REASONS :

To prevent crack development at the outer shroud box aft hinge brackets (ALU brackets on which modification No. 6661 has not been embodied).

The rupture of the brackets would lead to a load transfer to the other (forward and aft) brackets, which, in turn, could cause their rupture and consequently the loss of the associated outer shroud box.

The Revision 1 of this Airworthiness Directive, allows to avoid the visual inspection of the forward and aft hinge brackets if previously accomplished.

#### ACTIONS :

A. Aircraft on which AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-57-0143 or A300-57-6011 have not been embodied on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive on original issue :

- 1) Prior to accumulation of 5,000 flights or within 300 flights following the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive on original issue, whichever occurs later, unless accomplished previously perform a visual inspection of the forward and aft hinge brackets and take corrective actions if necessary, in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-57-0142 Revision 2 or A300-57-6010 Revision 1.
- 2) Repeat the same visual inspection at intervals not exceeding 1,000 flights or replace all the aft hinge brackets, in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-57-0143 Revision 2 or A300-57-6011 Revision 2.

No further inspection is required under this Airworthiness Directive after accomplishment of Service Bulletin A300-57-0143 Revision 2 or A300-57-6011 Revision 2.

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B. Aircraft on which Service Bulletin A300-57-0143 or A300-57-6011 has already been applied on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive on original issue :

Unless already accomplished, confirm the good condition of the forward hinge brackets, before April 30, 2000 in accordance with the instructions of Service Bulletin A300-57-0142, Revision 2 or A300-57-6010, Revision 1.

No further action is required under this Airworthiness Directive.

Inform AIRBUS INDUSTRIE of all findings, whatever they may be.

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REF. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletins  
A300-57-0142 Revision 2  
A300-57-0143 Revision 2  
A300-57-6010 Revision 1  
A300-57-6011 Revision 2  
(or any other later approved revision).

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This Revision 1 supersedes AD 98-449-265(B) dated November 18, 1998.

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**EFFECTIVE DATES :**

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Revision 1 : **OCTOBER 30, 1999**