

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. : 1998-538-087(B) R2
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A330 aircraft

Door stay mechanism of the mid and aft
passenger/crew doors and emergency exit type A (ATA 52)

1. APPLICABILITY :

This Airworthiness Directive applies to AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A330 aircraft all models all serial numbers:

- which have received AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Modification (Mod.) 44330 (for Mid and Aft passenger/crew doors) and which have not received Mod. 46352 (or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin (SB) A330-52-3051) and/or
- which have received Mod. 44332 (for emergency exit Type A) and which have not received Mod. 46353 (or SB A330-52-3051).

2. REASONS :

Operators have reported that the release button of the door stay mechanism can remain stuck in the depressed position after having been fully pushed and then the mechanism does not lock the door in the open position.

In the case of an emergency evacuation with strong wind condition or important aircraft pitch, the door could swing back and possibly injure escaping passengers and reduce the free aisle.

Revision 2 is issued in order to clarify the "Applicability" paragraph.

3. COMPLIANCE :

Unless already previously accomplished, the following measures are rendered mandatory on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive.

- Not later than 15 months from the effective date of the original issue of this Airworthiness Directive, modify the door stay mechanism of the Mid and Aft passenger/crew doors, LH and RH, and the Type A emergency exit, LH and RH, in accordance with the instructions given in the AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A330-52-3051.

REF. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A330-52-3051
(Or any further approved revisions).

| This Revision 2 replaces the Airworthiness Directive 1998-538-087(B) R1 dated March 10, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATES :

| **Original AD : Upon receipt from DECEMBER 30, 1998**
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