

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.

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In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A300 aircraft

Fuselage - Inspection of the fuselage between
FR10 and FR80 for specified repair conditions (ATA 53)

APPLICABILITY:

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A300 aircraft, all certified models, except for the A300-600 series, all serial numbers.

REASONS:

The meetings of the A300 Ageing Aircraft Task Unit led to the identification of the types and areas of repair requiring the development of an inspection programme in order to meet the structural fatigue and damage tolerance requirements according to FAR 25 amendment 45.

This Airworthiness Directive (AD) concerns repairs done on the fuselage between FR10 and FR80.

ACTIONS:

1. Prior to the accumulation of 10,000 flights or within 2,500 flights following the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later, identify the specified repairs on each aircraft in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin (SB) A300-53-0313 Revision 1.
2. Within the time limits and in accordance with the instructions defined in SB A300-53-0313 Revision 1, perform the inspections of the specified repairs and take corrective actions if necessary.
3. Every 2,500 flights, repeat the inspection of the specified repairs and take corrective actions in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-53-0313 Revision 1 or replace the specified repairs in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-53-0313 Revision 1.

Repairs replaced in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-53-0313 Revision 1 are no longer affected by the inspection requirements of this AD.

Aircraft inspected in accordance with paragraph 1 here above on which no specified repair has been identified, do not have to be re-inspected.

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REF.: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-53-0313 Revision 1
(Any later approved revision of this SB is acceptable).

EFFECTIVE DATE : JULY 08, 2000