

# 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

### A319/A320/A321 aircraft

Vertical stabilizer spar box (ATA 55)

#### APPLICABILITY:

Airbus models A319-111, A319-112, A319-114, A319-131, A319-132, A319-133, A320-211, A320-212, A320-214, A320-232, A320-233, A321-111, A321-112, A321-131, A320-211 and A321-231 Manufacturer Serial Number (MSN) 0835, 0846, 0864, 0865, 0867, 0871, 0875, 0883, 0885, 0886, 0889, 0891, 0893, 0896, 0898, 0901, 0909 à 0911, 0917, 0918, 0923, 0924, 0930, 0932 à 0935, 0938, 0940, 0941, 0944, 0946, 0951, 0955, 0959, 0965, 0972, 0974, 0975, 0983, 0984, 0986, 0989, 0990, 0995, 0999, 1001, 1003, 1006 à 1009, 1012, 1014, 1023, 1026, 1031, 1032, 1035 et 1037.

#### REASON:

This Airworthiness Directive is prompted by recent findings of localized debonding of spar, stringer and rib to skin on several Vertical Stabilizer Spar Box. This debonding results from bonding surface contamination during production process.

This condition, if not corrected, could affect the structural integrity of the Vertical Stabilizer Spar Box.

#### ACTION:

- 1) Before July 13, 2000, if not already done, perform a one time inspection of the defined areas in accordance with AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-55A1027.
- 2) In case, following this inspection, debondings are found, repair the affected areas before further flight in accordance with the repair instruction detailed AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-55A1027.

REF.: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-55A1027  
(or any further approved revision).

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