

# 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. : 2001-072(B) R2  
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## AIRBUS

### A300, A310 and A300-600 aircraft

Throttle control - Inspection and modifications (ATA 76)

#### 1. APPLICABILITY:

AIRBUS A300, A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models. The applicability of each action rendered mandatory is defined in paragraph 3 of this Airworthiness Directive (AD) and shown in the following summary table.

	A300	A310	A300-600
Action No. 1	x		
Action No. 2	x	x	
Action No. 3		x	
Action No. 4	x	x	x
Action No. 5		x	x
Action No. 6		x	x
Action No. 7		x	x

#### 2. REASONS:

Hard points in the throttle control linkage have been reported by operators.

If not corrected, this situation could lead to asymmetrical movements when the ATS (auto-throttle) is engaged and lead to difficulties in controlling the flight path if the condition of asymmetrical engine thrust is not corrected by the crew.

Revision 1 of this AD aims at:

- bring details in paragraph "Compliance", in order to avoid some misunderstanding, without modification of the technical content,
- correct the identification of a referred Service Bulletin

Revision 2 of this AD aims at:

- bringing details in "Action No. 2" and "Action No. 4" of the paragraph "Compliance", in order to avoid some misunderstanding, without modification of the technical content.

### 3. COMPLIANCE:

In order to prevent hard points during operation of the throttle control linkage, the following measures are rendered mandatory on the effective date of this AD.

#### 3.1. Modifications

**Action No. 1:** applicable to A300 aircraft, all certified models equipped with G.E. engines, all serial numbers, which have not been supplied with AIRBUS modification (Mod.) 3758 in production or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin (SB) A300-76-007, at the original issue or any later approved revision, in service.

- Before December 31, 2002, in each engine pylon, install flexible ice protection boots on the upper fittings of the throttle and HP fuel shut-off valve control cables, in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-76-007 R5.

**Action No. 2:** applicable to A300 aircraft, all certified models and A310 aircraft of the -200 series, all serial numbers fitted with common pylons (Mod. 02434 or Mod. 03599) which have not been supplied with Mod. 4830 (or Mod. 4799) in production or SB A300-76-0015 (or A310-76-2001), at the original issue or any later approved revision, in service.

- Before December 31, 2002, install a throttle control heating system in each engine pylon (common pylon), in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-76-0015 R1 or A310-76-2001 R1.

**Action No. 3:** applicable to A310 aircraft equipped with G.E. CF6-80A3 engines, which have not been modified in accordance with SB A310-76-2004 at the original issue or any later approved revision.

- Before December 31, 2002, in each engine pylon, on the throttle control, install an elastomer sealing boot on the ball bearing of the flexible control, in accordance with the instructions of SB A310-76-2004 R2.

**Action No. 4:** applicable to A300, A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models, all serial numbers fitted with common pylons (Mod. 02434 or Mod. 03599 or Mod. 04799), which have not been supplied with Mod. 6035 in production, or SB A300-76-0016 (or A310-76-2005 or A300-76-6002) at the original issue or any later approved revision, in service.

- Before December 31, 2002, in each engine pylon (common pylon), replace the roller of the secondary relay of the throttle control by a new one, in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-76-0016 R2 or A310-76-2005 R1 or A300-76-6002 R1.

**Action No. 5:** applicable to A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models equipped with G.E. CF6-80C2 engines, all serial numbers, which have not been supplied with Mod. 8218 in production, or SB A310-76-2010 (or A300-76-6007) at the original issue or any later approved revision, in service.

- Before December 31, 2002, install a cooling shroud on the cable of each throttle control unit, and connect the shroud to the ventilation duct of the HP compartment, in accordance with the instructions of SB A310-76-2010 R2 or A300-76-6007 R1.

**Action No. 6:** applicable to A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models equipped with G.E. CF6-80 engines, all serial numbers which have not been supplied with Mod. 11061 in production, or SB A310-76-2012 (or A300-76-6009), at the original issue or any later approved revision, in service.

- Before December 31, 2002, in each engine pylon, install an elastomer plug filled with grease, at the end of the engine control cable, in accordance with the instructions of SB A310-76-2012 R1 or A300-76-6009 R1.

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### 3.2. Inspection

The following inspection concerns AIRBUS A310 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models equipped with PW JT9D-7R4 engines, which have not been supplied with Mod. 6567 in production or SB A310-76-2007 (or A300-76-6004), at their original issue or any later approved revision, in service.

#### Time compliance:

Within 500 flight hours following the effective date of this AD at original issue, or within 2,000 flight hours following the last inspection, whichever occurs later.

#### Action No. 7:

- a) In each engine pylon, inspect the push-pull cable of the throttle control and the rack-box connection, in accordance with the instructions of SB A310-76-2006 R2 or A300-76-6003 R3.
- b) In view of the inspection result, if necessary, replace either the push-pull cable, or the rack-box, or both, in accordance with the instructions of SB A310-76-2006 R2 or A300-76-6003 R3.
- c) Repeat the inspection at intervals not exceeding 2,000 flight hours, even after replacement of the defective components.

**Note:** no further inspection is required after application of SB A310-76-2007 R2 or A300-76-6004 R1.

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REF.: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-007 R5  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-0015 R1  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-0016 R2  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2001 R1  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2004 R2  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2005 R1  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2010 R2  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2012 R1  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2006 R2  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A310-76-2007 R2  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-6002 R1  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-6007 R1  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-6009 R2  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-6003 R3  
AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A300-76-6004 R1  
Any later approved revision of these SBs is acceptable.

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#### EFFECTIVE DATES :

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                    Revision 1 : MARCH 17, 2001  
                    Revision 2 : FEBRUARY 02, 2002