

# 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. : 2003-048(B)  
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## AIRBUS

### A300 and A300-600 aircraft

Flight controls: slat friction brakes (ATA 27)

#### 1. APPLICABILITY:

AIRBUS A300 and A300-600 aircraft, all certified models and all serial numbers.

#### 2. REASONS:

The use of an oil which was not qualified for slat friction brakes was unduly recommended by the presence of incorrect labels on the components. The erroneous labelling was performed by the equipment manufacturer during maintenance operations. The use of this oil could in the medium or long term compromise the proper operation of the component.

The function of the slat friction brake is to maintain the slats in position downstream of a rupture of the drive shaft. Consequently, if the functionality of the component is no longer ensured, the dissymmetry of lift subsequent to the rupture of the drive shaft could be uncontrollable by the crew.

#### 3. COMPLIANCE:

At the latest on February 16, 2003, unless already accomplished, perform an inspection and apply any corrective measures if necessary in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS All Operator Telex (AOT) A300-27A0199 or A300-27A6055 as applicable.

REF.: AIRBUS All Operator Telex:  
A300-27A0199  
A300-27A6055.  
(Any later approved revision of these AOTs is acceptable).

**EFFECTIVE DATE :**

**Upon receipt from FEBRUARY 05, 2003**