



EASA Safety Information Notice

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Subject: **Equipment/Furnishing – Installation of a placard on passenger/crew and emergency exit doors**

Ref. Publication: AIRBUS Service Bulletin A330-25-3316
AIRBUS Service Bulletin A340-25-4277
AIRBUS Service Bulletin A340-25-5128
Or any later approved revision.

Introduction: During a scheduled slide or slide/raft deployment, some operators experienced an unsuccessful slide deployment at passenger/crew and emergency exit doors.

Investigations revealed that the electrical harness has been incorrectly routed during the previous slide removal/installation preventing the slide from falling and deploying normally during the test.

This situation, if not corrected, could prevent the slide deployment and thus delay the emergency evacuation

At type design level, this situation has been covered by DGAC AD F-2005-077 mandating a one time inspection of the electrical harness routing.

AIRBUS have furthermore developed Service Bulletin (SB) A330-25-3316, SB A340-25-4277, SB A340-25-5128 to heighten awareness during slide or slide/raft installation.

This improvement developed by AIRBUS cannot be mandated by EASA AD as the root cause “maintenance error” is not type design related.

The aim of this Service Information Notice (SIN) is to strongly recommend installation of a placard at the lower door frame lining for correct installation of the electrical harness to the forward release rail.

Based upon their operational experience, NAAs may take appropriate measures mandating the suggested corrective action to this unsafe condition.

Applicability: AIRBUS aircraft A330-200, A330-300, A340-200 and A340-300 series, all certified models, all serial numbers, except those on which both AIRBUS modifications 55656 and 55657 have been embodied in production or AIRBUS Service Bulletin (SB) A330-25-3316 or SB A340-25-4277 has been embodied in service.

AIRBUS aircraft A340-500 and A340-600 series, all certified models, all serial numbers, except those on which AIRBUS modification 55656 has been embodied in production or AIRBUS SB A340-25-5128 has been embodied in service.

Recommendation: At the next slide raft overhaul or within 36 months after the issue date of this SIN, whichever occurs later, install the placard on passenger/crew doors 1 and 4 and emergency exit door 3 (Type 1 only), RH and LH sides of the fuselage in accordance with instructions given in AIRBUS SB A330-25-3316 or SB A340-25-4277 or SB A340-25-5128.

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