


EASA	AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE
	AD No.: 2015-0206
	Date: 12 October 2015 <p>Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.</p>
<p>This AD is issued in accordance with EU 748/2012, Part 21.A.3B. In accordance with EU 1321/2014 Annex I, Part M.A.301, the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable ADs. Consequently, no person may operate an aircraft to which an AD applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that AD, unless otherwise specified by the Agency [EU 1321/2014 Annex I, Part M.A.303] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [EC 216/2008, Article 14(4) exemption].</p>	
Design Approval Holder's Name: AIRBUS	Type/Model designation(s): A330 and A340 aeroplanes
TCDS Numbers: EASA.A.004, EASA.A.015	
Foreign AD: Not applicable	
Supersedure: None	
ATA 53	Fuselage – Cabin and Cargo Compartments Parts – Inspection / Replacement
Manufacturer(s): Airbus (formerly Airbus Industrie)	
Applicability:	Airbus A330-201, A330-202, A330-203, A330-223, A330-243, A330-223F, A330-243F, A330-301, A330-302, A330-303, A330-321, A330-322, A330-323, A330-341, A330-342 and A330-343 aeroplanes, manufacturer serial numbers (MSN) as identified in Airbus Service Bulletin (SB) A330-53-3261 and/or SB A330-53-3262, as applicable. Airbus A340-541, A340-542, A340-642 and A340-643 aeroplanes, MSN 1030, 1040, 1079, 1091, 1102 and 1122.
Reason:	Following an Airbus quality control review on the final assembly line, it was discovered that wrong aluminium alloy was used to manufacture several structural parts. This condition, if not detected and corrected, could reduce the structural integrity of the aeroplane. To address this potential unsafe condition, Airbus issued SB A330-53-3261, SB A330-53-3262 and SB A340-53-5072, as applicable to aeroplane type, to provide instructions to identify the affected parts. For the reasons described above, this AD requires a one-time Special Detailed Inspection (SDI) of certain cabin and/or cargo compartment parts for material identification and, depending on findings, replacement with serviceable parts.
Effective Date:	26 October 2015

Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):	<p>Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:</p> <p>(1) Within 6 years after the effective date of this AD, or within 12 years from the aeroplane date of manufacture, whichever occurs first, accomplish an SDI of the cabin and/or cargo compartment parts identified as 'Affected P/N' and listed by Part Number (P/N) in Table 1 of this AD, in accordance with the instructions of SB A330-53-3261, SB A330-53-3262 and SB A340-53-5072, as applicable to aeroplane type.</p> <p>(2) If, during the SDI as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, a part manufactured with wrong material is detected, within 6 years after the effective date of this AD, or within 12 years from the aeroplane date of manufacture, whichever occurs first, replace that part with a part listed as "Acceptable Replacement P/N" in Table 1 of this AD, in accordance with the instructions of SB A330-53-3261 and SB A330-53-3262 and SB A340-53-5072, as applicable to aeroplane type.</p> <p>Table 1 – Parts to be Inspected / Installed</p> <table><tr><th>Affected P/N</th><th>Acceptable Replacement P/N</th><th>Area</th></tr><tr><td>F5347126620600</td><td>F5347126620000</td><td rowspan="2">cabin</td></tr><tr><td>F5347126621000</td><td>F5347126620400</td></tr><tr><td>F5347170420400</td><td>F5347170420400</td><td rowspan="7">cargo</td></tr><tr><td>F5347170420600</td><td>F5347170420600</td></tr><tr><td>F5377004320300</td><td>F5377004320051</td></tr><tr><td>F5397096620200</td><td>F5397096620200</td></tr><tr><td>G5367131300000</td><td>G5367131300000</td></tr><tr><td>G5367173700000</td><td>G5367173700000</td></tr><tr><td>G5367173800000</td><td>G5367173800000</td></tr></table>	Affected P/N	Acceptable Replacement P/N	Area	F5347126620600	F5347126620000	cabin	F5347126621000	F5347126620400	F5347170420400	F5347170420400	cargo	F5347170420600	F5347170420600	F5377004320300	F5377004320051	F5397096620200	F5397096620200	G5367131300000	G5367131300000	G5367173700000	G5367173700000	G5367173800000	G5367173800000
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Ref. Publications:	<p>Airbus SB A330-53-3261 original issue dated 23 June 2015.</p> <p>Airbus SB A330-53-3262 original issue dated 23 June 2015.</p> <p>Airbus SB A340-53-5072 original issue dated 23 June 2015.</p> <p>The use of later approved revisions of these documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.</p>																							
Remarks:	<p>1. If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD.</p> <p>2. This AD was posted on 09 September 2015 as PAD 15-118 for consultation until 07 October 2015. No comments were received during the consultation period.</p> <p>3. Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the Safety Information Section, Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu.</p> <p>4. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: AIRBUS – Airworthiness Office - EAL E-mail: airworthiness.A330-A340@airbus.com.</p>																							