



Notification of a Proposal to issue an Airworthiness Directive

PAD No.: 23-147

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Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 on behalf of the European Union, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 129 of that Regulation.

This accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the issuance of an EASA Airworthiness Directive (AD), applicable to the aeronautical product(s) identified below.

All interested persons may send their comments, referencing the PAD Number above, to the e-mail address specified in the 'Remarks' section, prior to the consultation date indicated.

Design Approval Holder's Name:

AIRBUS S.A.S.

Type/Model designation(s):

A330 aeroplanes

Effective Date: [TBD - standard: 14 days after AD issue date]

TCDS Number(s): EASA.A.004

Foreign AD: Not applicable

Supersedure: None

ATA 25 – Equipment/Furnishings – Galley 4 Aft Bulkhead Cover Panel – Replacement

Manufacturer(s):

Airbus, formerly Airbus Industrie

Applicability:

A330-243, A330-302, A330-343 and A330-941 aeroplanes, manufacturer serial numbers (MSN) 1627, 1628, 1637, 1679, 1691, 1692, 1701, 1716, 1720, 1721, 1745, 1754, 1757, 1769, 1779, 1783, 1792, 1872, 1878, 1915, 1920, 1931, 1935, 1949, 1953, 1957, 1962, 1983, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1999, 2000 and 2010.

Definitions:

For the purpose of this AD, the following definitions apply:

The SB: Airbus Service Bulletin (SB) A330-25-3836.

Affected part: Aft bulkhead cover panel, installed in galley G4, identified as 'affected part' and having a Part Number (P/N) as listed in Table 1 of this AD.



Serviceable part: Aft bulkhead cover panel, eligible for installation in galley G4, identified as ‘serviceable part’ and having a P/N as listed in Table 1 of this AD.

Reason:

It has been determined that certain aft bulkhead cover panels, installed in galley G4, have been manufactured from a material not in conformity with approved design data, and for which no demonstration of compliance against the heat release requirements (JAR 25.853 / Appendix F part IV) is available.

This condition, if not corrected, represents a non-compliance with certification requirements which could lead to injury to cabin crew and/or passengers, and reduced evacuation capacity from the aeroplane in case of an emergency.

To address this potential unsafe condition, Airbus issued the SB providing instructions to replace those parts with new parts, in conformity with the approved design data.

For the reason described above, this AD requires to replace affected parts with serviceable parts, and prohibits reinstallation of affected parts.

Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):

Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:

Modification:

- (1) Within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, replace each affected part, as identified in Table 1 of this AD, with the correspondent serviceable part, as applicable, in accordance with the instructions of the SB.

Table 1 – Affected Parts and Serviceable Parts – P/N

Affected Part	Serviceable Part
G33DLAKGA000-01	G33DLAKGA000-02
G335KAKGA000-01	G335KAKGA000-02
3303DLBHGB00	3303DLBHGC00
330EVEBHGA00	330EVEBHGB00
3303FJBHGA00	3303FJBHGB00
330SAABHGB00	330SAABHGC00

Part(s) Installation:

- (2) After the modification of an aeroplane as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, do not (re)install an affected part on that aeroplane.



Ref. Publications:

Airbus SB A330-25-3836 original issue dates 23 June 2023.

The use of later approved revisions of the above-mentioned document is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.

Remarks:

1. This Proposed AD will be closed for consultation on 11 January 2024.
2. Enquiries regarding this PAD should be referred to the EASA Safety Information Section, Certification Directorate. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu.
3. Information about any failures, malfunctions, defects or other occurrences, which may be similar to the unsafe condition addressed by this PAD, and which may occur, or have occurred on a product, part or appliance not affected by this PAD, can be reported to the [EU aviation safety reporting system](#). This may include reporting on the same or similar components, other than those covered by the design to which this PAD applies, if the same unsafe condition can exist or may develop on an aircraft with those components installed. Such components may be installed under an FAA Parts Manufacturer Approval (PMA), Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) or other modification.
4. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this PAD, please contact: AIRBUS – 1IAL (Airworthiness Office), E-mail: airworthiness.A330-A340@airbus.com.

