

# 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. : 97-205-069(B)  
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

## AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

### A340 Aircraft

Forward fuselage  
Reinforce the doubler for the outflow valve (313 HL)

#### Applicability :

This Airworthiness Directive applies to AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A340 aircraft models -211 ; -212 ; -213 ; -311 ; -312 ; -313 which have not received either AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 41856 or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4096 (modification 45224).

#### Reasons :

To prevent crack initiation or propagation at the doubler for the outflow valve (313 HL) as evidenced during fatigue tests which unless corrected could lead to a reduced structural integrity.

#### Compliance :

Rendered mandatory on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive, unless already previously accomplished :

- before accumulation of 7500 flights perform a cold working of the circumferential holes of the doubler in accordance with the instructions given in AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4096.

#### NOTA :

No further action is required after accomplishment of either this Airworthiness Directive or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4096.

Ref. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A340-53-4096  
(or any further approved revision)

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