

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

released by DIRECTION GENERALE DE L'AVIATION CIVILE

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. : 98-023-063(B)
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.**

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A330 Aircraft

ATA 53 - Centre fuselage fitted with type A emergency exit doors
Reinforce frames 53.3 and 53.5

Applicability :

This Airworthiness Directive applies to AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A330 aircraft models -301, -321, -322, -341 and -342 which have received AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 40161 (Introduction of type A door) and which have not received either AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 43441 or Service Bulletin A330-53-3039 Revision 1 or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 41848.

Reasons :

To prevent crack occurrence in the area of the frame/crossbeam connection at frame 53.3 and 53.5, LH and RH, as evidenced during fatigue tests and which could lead to a reduced structural integrity and extensive repairs.

Compliance :

The following measures are rendered mandatory on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive, unless already previously accomplished :

- Before accumulation of 10000 flights reinforce the area of the frame/crossbeam connection at FR 53.3 and 53.5, LH and RH, in accordance with the instructions given in AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A330-53-3039 Revision 1.

.../...

NOTE : No further action is required after accomplishment of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A330-53-3039 Revision 1.

Ref. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A330-53-3039 Revision 1
(or any further approved revisions)

EFFECTIVE DATE : FEBRUARY 07, 1998