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| Person in charge of airworthiness: AIRBUS | | Type(s): A319, A320 and A321 aircraft | | |
| Type certificate(s) No. 180 TCDS No 180 | | | | |
| ATA chapter: 05 | Subject: Airworthiness Limitations - Limitation items (ALI) | | | |

1. EFFECTIVITY:

AIRBUS A319, A320 and A321 aircraft all certified models, all serial numbers, except A319 aircraft that have received during production AIRBUS modifications 28238, 28162 and 28342.

2. REASONS:

The certification requirements for damage-tolerant structure are provided in AIRBUS A318/A319/A320/A321 Maintenance Planning Document (MPD) subsection 9-2 (Airworthiness Limitations Items – ALI). The MPD subsection 9-2 is approved by the DGAC and included in the section 9 (Airworthiness Limitation Section - ALS).

AIRBUS document AI/SE-M4/95A.0252/96 that is referenced in the subsection MPD 9-2, is officially an appendix of AIRBUS A318/A319/A320/A321 Maintenance Review Board (MRB) Report.


AIRBUS document AI/SE-M4/95A.0252/96 that has been approved at issue 6 on July 15, 2003, reduces the threshold and/or the interval of some existing ALI.

3. MANDATORY ACTIONS AND COMPLIANCE TIME:

3.1. From the effective date of this AD to April 30, 2004, it is mandatory to strictly adhere to the requirements of AIRBUS A318/A319/A320/A321 AIRBUS MPD subsection 9-2, as defined in AIRBUS document AI/SE-M4/95A.0252/96:

- either issue 5 approved on May 21, 2002
- or at issue 6 approved on July 15, 2003

3.2. From April 30 2004, it is mandatory to strictly adhere to the requirements of AIRBUS A318/A319/A320/A321 MPD subsection 9-2, as defined in AIRBUS document AI/SE-M4/95A.0252/96 at issue 6 approved on July 15, 2003:

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4. **REFERENCE PUBLICATIONS:**

AIRBUS AI/SE-M4/95A.0252/96 issue 5 dated May 21 2002
AIRBUS AI/SE-M4/95A.0252/96 issue 6 dated July 15, 2003
Any later approved revision of this document is acceptable.

5. **EFFECTIVE DATE:**

February 14, 2004.

6. **REMARK:**

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7. **APPROVAL:**

This AD is approved under EASA reference No 2004-752 dated January 28, 2004.

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