


EASA	AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE	
	<p>AD No.: 2006 – 0308</p> <p>Date: 10 October 2006</p>	
<p>No person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive unless otherwise agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry.</p>		
<p>Type Approval Holder's Name : AIRBUS SAS</p>	<p>Type/Model designation(s): A340 Aircraft</p>	
<p>TCDS Number : EASA A.015</p>		
<p>Foreign AD : Not applicable.</p>		
<p>Supersedure : DGAC AD F-2004-049, EASA Approval Number 2004-3659.</p>		
<p>ATA 05</p>	<p>Time limits/Maintenance checks - Airworthiness Limitations Items (ALI)</p>	
<p>Manufacturer:</p>	<p>AIRBUS (formerly AIRBUS INDUSTRIE)</p>	
<p>Applicability:</p>	<p>AIRBUS A340 aircraft, all certified models, all serial numbers.</p>	
<p>Reason:</p>	<p>As required by JAR 25.1529, appendix H §25.4, the certification requirements for damage-tolerant structure are provided in AIRBUS A340 Airworthiness Limitation Section (ALS) Part 2 Document (Damage-Tolerant Airworthiness Limitation Items – DT ALI). These A340 DT ALIs are currently listed in the A340 ALI document reference AI/SE-M4/95A.0051/97 which is approved by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).</p> <p>This Airworthiness Directive (AD) mandates the ALI requirements as defined in AIRBUS document AI/SE-M4/95A.0051/97 issue 9 which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - introduces new weight variants, - revises the applicability of some tasks, - adds new ALI requirements, - revises some ALI requirements with more restrictive thresholds and intervals. 	
<p>Effective Date:</p>	<p>24 October 2006</p>	
<p>Compliance:</p>	<p>Within 2 months after the effective date of this directive, amend the aircraft's maintenance program to include the requirements defined in the AIRBUS A340 Airworthiness Limitation Items document at issue 9 referenced AI/SE-M4/95A.0051/97.</p>	

Note : As A340 ALI issue 8 referenced AI/SE-M4/95A.0051/97 approved under EASA.A.C.01279 on 17 January 2006 has not been covered by any AD, changes introduced by A340 ALI issue 8 must also be implemented into the aircraft's maintenance program through this AD.

Special Compliance Times

For aircraft that have already exceeded or are close to exceeding the new or revised published limits, special compliance times have been agreed by EASA for the following tasks, that are to be counted from the effective date of this AD without exceeding the previous threshold and/or interval as defined in the referenced A340 ALI document at issue 7 as required by DGAC AD F-2004-049 (EASA Approval No. 2004-3659):

Task Number	Changes	Special Compliance Time
521101-01-01	Threshold and Interval reduced from 14,000 FC to 11,000 FC	250 FC for Threshold and Interval
571104-01-03	New task with Threshold of 9,850 FC / 49,300 FH (whichever occurs first)	220 FC / 1,100FH (whichever occurs first) applicable to GROUP 43B Pre 44360 Pre 52094 aircraft

Ref. Publications:

AIRBUS A340 ALI issue 9 referenced AI/SE-M4/95A.0051/97 approved under EASA.A.414 on 24 April 2006 or a later approved revision.

Remarks :

1. If requested and appropriately substantiated the responsible EASA manager for the related product has the authority to accept Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs) for this AD
2. This AD was posted as PAD 06-182 for consultation on 11 July 2006 with a comment period until 21 July 2006. The Comment Response Document can be found at <http://ad.easa.eu.int/>.
3. Enquiries regarding this Airworthiness Directive should be referred to Mr. M. Capaccio, Airworthiness Directive Focal Point - Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu
4. For questions concerning the technical contents of this AD's requirements, contact: AIRBUS Airworthiness Office – EAL - Fax : 33 5 61 93 45 80.