

EASA	AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE
	AD No.: 2012-0069 Date: 24 April 2012 Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.
This AD is issued in accordance with EC 1702/2003, Part 21A.3B. In accordance with EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.301, the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable ADs. Consequently, no person may operate an aircraft to which an AD applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that AD, unless otherwise specified by the Agency [EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.303] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [EC 216/2008, Article 14(4) exemption].	
Type Approval Holder's Name : Airbus	Type/Model designation(s) : A330 and A340 aeroplanes
TCDS Number :	EASA.A.004 and EASA.A.015
Foreign AD :	Not applicable
Supersedure :	None
ATA 34	Navigation– Radio Altimeter Erroneous Indication – Operational Procedure
Manufacturer(s):	Airbus (formerly Airbus Industries)
Applicability:	Airbus A330-201, A330-202, A330-203, A330-223, A330-223F, A330-243, A330-243F, A330-301, A330-302, A330-303, A330-321, A330-322, A330-323, A330-341, A330-342 and A330-343 aeroplanes, all manufacturer serial numbers (MSN). Airbus A340-211, A340-212, A340-213, A340-311, A340-312, A340-313, A340-541, A340-542, A340-642 and A340-643 aeroplanes, all MSN.
Reason:	Airbus performed tests to investigate the consequences of one radio altimeter providing an erroneous indication. These tests concluded that with engaged flare and retard mode, in case of go-around, the situation may lead to a temporary loss of aeroplane longitudinal control. To address this condition, Airbus issued a new Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) operational procedure. For the reasons described above, this AD requires amendment of the applicable AFM to ensure that the flight crew applies the appropriate operational procedures.
Effective Date:	02 May 2012

Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):	Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously: Within 14 days after the effective date of this AD, amend the applicable AFM to incorporate the following operational procedure, and operate the aeroplane accordingly: A330 AFM Temporary Revision (TR) 37 Issue 1.0 or A340 AFM TR 38 Issue 1.0, as applicable to aeroplane type. Note: Both AFM TRs cover red OEB 26/1.
Ref. Publications :	Airbus A330 AFM TR 37 Issue 1.0. Airbus A340 AFM TR 38 Issue 1.0. both approved by EASA on 02 June 2010. The use of later approved revisions of these documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.
Remarks:	1. If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD. 2. The required actions and the risk allowance have granted the issuance of a Final AD with Request for Comments, postponing the public consultation process after publication. 3. Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the Safety Information Section, Executive Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu. 4. For any questions concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: AIRBUS SAS – Airworthiness Office – EIAL. Fax: +33 5 61 93 45 80, E-mail: airworthiness.A330-A340@airbus.com.