


EASA	NOTIFICATION OF A PROPOSAL TO ISSUE AN AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE
	<p>PAD No.: 11-014</p> <p>Date: 11 March 2011</p> <p>Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) 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.</p>
<p>In accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the issuance of an EASA Airworthiness Directive (AD), applicable to the aeronautical product(s) identified below. All interested persons may send their comments, referencing the PAD Number above, to the e-mail address specified in the 'Remarks' section, prior to the consultation closing date indicated.</p>	
Type Approval Holder's Name :	Type/Model designation(s) :
AIRBUS	A300, A310 and A300-600 aeroplanes
TCDS Number : France No. 145	
Foreign AD :	Not applicable
Supersedure :	None
ATA 53	Fuselage – Cross Beam at Junction with Lower Cargo Door Actuator Beam – Inspection / Modification
Manufacturer(s):	Airbus (formerly Airbus Industrie).
Applicability:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A300 and A310 aeroplanes, all certified models, all serial numbers; - A300B4-601, A300B4-603, A300B4-620, A300B4-622, A300C4-620, A300B4-605R and A300B4-622R aeroplanes, all serial numbers, <p>except aeroplanes on which AIRBUS Service Bulletin (SB) A300-53-0389 or A310-53-2133 or A300-53-6166 (AIRBUS modification 13434), as applicable to the aeroplane model, has been embodied in service.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Modification of an aeroplane from passenger configuration to freighter configuration (e.g. by STC) does not exclude that aeroplane from the applicability of this AD.</p>
Reason:	<p>Some operators have reported cracked crossbeams at the junction with the lower deck cargo door actuator beam. The investigation results indicate that these cracks initiated in the fastener hole, propagated in vertical direction and were due to fatigue.</p> <p>This condition, if not corrected, could lead, in case of cracks propagation in a crossbeam (upper and lower web), to the floor grid being unable to withstand ultimate load condition.</p> <p>For the reasons described above, this AD requires repetitive inspections of certain crossbeams including those previously repaired by the Structure Repair Manual (SRM) or Repair Approval Sheet (RAS).</p>
Effective Date:	[TBD: 14 days after issue date of Final AD]

<p>Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):</p>	<p>Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:</p> <p><u>Aeroplanes with crossbeams FR22/23 and FR61/62 not repaired previously according to SRM or by RAS</u></p> <p>(1) Within 10 000 Flight Cycles (FC) accumulated since the aeroplane first flight or 600 FC after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later, and thereafter, at intervals not exceeding 600 FC, perform a High Frequency Eddy Current (HFEC) inspection of the crossbeam Fuselage Frame Stations (FR) FR22/23 and FR61/62 in accordance with the instructions of Airbus Service Bulletin (SB) A300-53-0390 original issue, A310-53-2134 original issue, A300-53-6168 original issue, as applicable to aeroplane model.</p> <p>(2) If, during any inspection as required in paragraph (1) of this AD, no crack has been detected, the modification of the crossbeams at FR22/FR23 and FR61/FR62 in accordance with the instructions of SB A300-53-0389 or A310-53-2133 or A300-53-6166, as applicable to aeroplane model, performed within 600 FC after the last inspection, constitutes terminating action for the repetitive inspection requirements of this AD.</p> <p>(3) If, during any inspection as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, any crack is detected and the crack length is :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - less than 7.0 mm (0.28 in.), within 50 FC after the identification of the crack, contact Airbus to obtain the necessary approved instructions for corrective action and accomplish those instructions accordingly, or, - equal or more than 7.0 mm (0.28 in.), before the next flight, contact Airbus to obtain the necessary approved instructions for corrective action and accomplish those instructions accordingly. <p>(4) All aeroplanes modified in accordance with these instructions provided by AIRBUS are no longer concerned by the inspections required by paragraph (1) of this AD.</p> <p><u>Aeroplanes with crossbeams FR22/23 and FR61/62 previously repaired according to SRM or by RAS</u></p> <p>(5) Within 10 000 FC accumulated since the aeroplane first flight or 600 FC after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later, contact AIRBUS and follow their instructions.</p>
<p>Ref. Publications:</p>	<p>AIRBUS Service Bulletins:</p> <p>A300-53-0389 original issue, A310-53-2133 original issue, A300-53-6166 original issue, A300-53-0390 original issue, A310-53-2134 original issue and A300-53-6168 original issue.</p> <p>The use of later approved revisions of these documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.</p>
<p>Remarks :</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This Proposed AD will be closed for consultation on 08 April 2011. 2. Enquiries regarding this PAD should be referred to the Airworthiness Directives, Safety Management & Research Section, Certification Directorate, EASA; E-mail ADs@easa.europa.eu. 3. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: AIRBUS SAS – EAW (Airworthiness Office, Telephone: + 33 5 61 18 41 39, Fax: + 33 5 61 93 44 51).