AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

On the commencement date specified below, and for the reasons set out in the background section, the CASA delegate whose signature appears below repeals Airworthiness Directive (AD) AD/A320/65 Amdt 2 and issues the following AD under subregulation 39.001 (1) of CASR 1998 and subsection 33 (3) of the Acts Interpretation Act 1901. The AD requires that the action set out in the requirement section (being action that the delegate considers necessary to correct an unsafe condition) be taken in relation to the aircraft or aeronautical product mentioned in the applicability section: (a) in the circumstances mentioned in the requirement section; and (b) in accordance with the instructions set out in the requirement section; and (c) at the time mentioned in the compliance section.

Airbus A319, A320 and A321 Series Aeroplanes

AD/A320/65 Amdt 3

| Fuselage Reinforcement Section 18 | 10/2017 |

Applicability: All Airbus A320 models without Airbus modification 22764 embodied, or Airbus Service Bulletins (SBs) A320-53-1110 and A320-53-1131 as in force from time to time incorporated.

Requirement: Reinforce the fuselage at section 18 in accordance with the instructions of:

- Airbus SB A320-53-1110 as in force from time to time for frames 68 and 69; and,
- Airbus SB A320-53-1131 as in force from time to time for frames 65, 66, and 67.

Note 1: This AD is based on DGAC AD 97-315-109(B).

Note 2: The words “as in force from time to time” require compliance with the most recent version of the referenced document.


Note 3: Previous compliance with any requirement in AD/A320/65 Amdt 2 constitutes compliance with the same requirement in this AD.

This AD commences on 26 May 2017.

Background: This directive was issued to increase the marginal strength of the rear fuselage to enable it to cope with an undetected tail scrape.

Amendment 1 reflected the amended compliance of the related DGAC AD.

Amendment 2 was issued in response to a new DGAC AD which introduced additional frames for reinforcement.

Amendment 3 is issued to clarify the AD applicability.

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