



## Airworthiness Directive Cancellation Notice

**AD No.:** 2016-0065-CN

**Issued:** 17 November 2021

Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) Cancellation Notice (CN) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 on behalf of the European Union, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 129 of that Regulation.

**Design Approval Holder's Name:**

AIRBUS

**Type/Model designation(s):**

A330 and A340 aeroplanes

**Effective Date:** 17 November 2021

**TCDS Number(s):** EASA.A.004 and EASA.A.015

**Foreign AD:** Not applicable

**Cancellation:** This Notice cancels EASA AD 2016-0065 dated 05 April 2016.

### ATA 05 – CANCELLED: Time Limits / Maintenance Checks – Fuel Airworthiness Limitations – ALS Part 5 – Amendment

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**Manufacturer(s):**

Airbus (formerly Airbus Industrie)

**Applicability:**

Airbus A330-201, A330-202, A330-203, A330-223, A330-243, A330-223F, 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), and

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:**

Prompted by an accident of a Boeing 747-131 (flight TWA800), the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) published Special Federal Aviation Regulation (SFAR) 88, and the Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA) published Interim Policy INT/POL/25/12. A design review was conducted by Airbus to develop Fuel Airworthiness Limitations (FAL) for Airbus A330 and A340 aeroplanes in response to these regulations.

The FAL, which are approved by EASA, are defined and published in Airbus A330 and A340 Airworthiness Limitations Section (ALS) documents known as Part 5. Failure to comply with these instructions could result in a fuel tank explosion and consequent loss of the aeroplane.



EASA issued AD 2012-0168 to require compliance with the FAL as specified in the A330 and A340 ALS Part 5 Revision 00.

Since that AD was issued, Airbus issued Revision 01 of both ALS Parts 5 for Airbus A330 and A340 to introduce more restrictive maintenance requirements and/or airworthiness limitations.

For the reason described above, EASA issued AD 2016-0065, which retained the requirements of EASA AD 2012-0168, which was superseded, and required accomplishment of the actions specified in Airbus A330 ALS Part 5 Revision 01 and A340 ALS Part 5 Revision 01, as applicable.

Recently, Airbus published A330 ALS Part 5 Revision 04 and A340 ALS Part 5 Revision 03, introducing new and/or more restrictive tasks and limitations for respectively A330 and A340 aeroplanes.

Consequently, EASA issued AD 2021-0252 and AD 2021-0253, which take over the requirements for ,respectively, A330 and A340 aeroplanes from EASA AD 2016-0065, and requiring accomplishment of the actions specified in Airbus A330 ALS Part 5 Revision 04 and A340 ALS Part 5 Revision 03, as applicable.

For the reasons described above, EASA AD 2016-0065 is no longer necessary, and therefore the subject Notice cancels this AD.

**Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):**

None

**Ref. Publications:**

Airbus A330 ALS Part 5 and A340 ALS Part 5, both Revision 01 dated 28 October 2015, and A330 ALS Part 5 Revision 04 and A340 ALS Part 5 Revision 03.

**Remarks:**

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