



## Airworthiness Directive

**AD No.:** 2023-0157

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Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) 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.

This AD is issued in accordance with Regulation (EU) 748/2012, Part 21.A.3B. In accordance with Regulation (EU) 1321/2014 Annex I Part M.A.301, or Annex Vb Part ML.A.301, as applicable, 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 [Regulation (EU) 1321/2014 Annex I Part M.A.303, or Annex Vb Part ML.A.303, as applicable] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, Article 71 exemption].

### Design Approval Holder's Name:

AIRBUS S.A.S.

### Type/Model designation(s):

A350 aeroplanes

**Effective Date:** 14 August 2023

**TCDS Number(s):** EASA.A.151

**Foreign AD:** Not applicable

**Supersedure:** This AD supersedes EASA 2021-0130R1 dated 17 June 2021 and EASA AD 2022-0127 dated 28 June 2022.

## ATA 05 – Time Limits / Maintenance Checks – Airworthiness Limitations Section Part 4 – System Equipment Maintenance Requirements – Amendment

### Manufacturer(s):

Airbus

### Applicability:

Airbus A350-941 and A350-1041 aeroplanes, all manufacturer serial numbers.

### Definitions:

For the purpose of this AD, the following definitions apply:

**The ALS:** Airbus A350 Airworthiness Limitations Section (ALS) Part 4 System Equipment Maintenance Requirements (SEMR) Revision 08.

**The AMP:** The Aircraft Maintenance Programme (AMP) contains the tasks on the basis of which the scheduled maintenance is conducted to ensure the continuing airworthiness of each operated aeroplane. For aeroplanes operated under EU regulations, the operator or the owner ensures compliance with the AMP as stipulated in Commission Regulation (EU) [1321/2014](#).

**New and/or more restrictive tasks and limitations:** This includes all tasks and limitations that are new and all tasks and limitations for which a threshold or interval was reduced, which were



introduced into the ALS (as defined in this AD) since the previous ALS revision that is currently incorporated in the AMP.

**Reason:**

The SEMR for the Airbus A350, which are approved by EASA, are currently defined and published in the Airbus A350 ALS Part 4 SEMR document. These instructions have been identified as mandatory for continued airworthiness.

Failure to accomplish these instructions could result in an unsafe condition.

EASA previously issued AD 2022-0127 to require the actions as specified in Airbus A350 ALS Part 4 SEMR Revision 07.

Since that AD was issued, Airbus published the ALS to introduce new and/or more restrictive tasks and limitations.

For the reason described above, this AD retains the requirements of EASA AD 2022-0127, which is superseded, and requires accomplishment of the actions specified in the ALS.

The ALS also incorporates the tasks previously mandated by EASA AD 2021-0130R1, which is therefore also superseded by this AD.

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

Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:

**Maintenance Tasks and Replacement of Life Limited Parts:**

(1) From the effective date of this AD, accomplish the following actions, as specified in the ALS (see Note 1 of this AD), as applicable to aeroplane model and depending on aeroplane configuration:

(1.1) Replace each component before exceeding the applicable life limit; and

(1.2) Within the thresholds and intervals, accomplish all applicable maintenance tasks.

Note 1: For the purpose of this AD, the thresholds and intervals as defined in the 'Compliance Time' pages of the ALS include specific compliance times for certain tasks.

**Corrective Action(s):**

(2) In case of finding discrepancies during accomplishment of any task as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, before next flight, accomplish the applicable corrective action(s) in accordance with the applicable Airbus maintenance documentation. If a detected discrepancy cannot be corrected by using existing Airbus instructions, before next flight, contact Airbus for approved instructions and accomplish those instructions accordingly.



**AMP Revision:**

- (3) Within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, revise the approved AMP by incorporating the limitations, tasks and associated thresholds and intervals described in the ALS, as applicable to aeroplane model and depending on aeroplane configuration.

**Credit:**

- (4) If, before the effective date of this AD, the AMP has been revised to incorporate the maintenance tasks and life limitations as specified in a previous ALS revision, that action ensures the continued accomplishment of those tasks and limitations.

Consequently, for an aeroplane to which that AMP applies, it is acceptable to accomplish the new and/or more restrictive tasks and limitations, as applicable to aeroplane model and depending on aeroplane configuration, within the compliance times as specified in the ALS (see Note 1 of this AD) to comply with paragraph (1) of this AD.

For that AMP, it is acceptable to incorporate the new and/or more restrictive tasks and limitations, as applicable to aeroplane model and depending on aeroplane configuration, into the AMP to comply with paragraph (3) of this AD.

**Recording AD Compliance:**

- (5) When the AMP of an aeroplane has been revised as required by paragraph (3) or (4) of this AD, as applicable, that action ensures continued accomplishment of the tasks as required by paragraphs (1) and (2) of this AD for that aeroplane. Consequently, after revising the AMP, as required by paragraph (3) or (4) of this AD, as applicable, it is not necessary that accomplishment of individual action is recorded for demonstration of AD compliance on a continued basis.

**Ref. Publications:**

Airbus A350 ALS Part 4 SEMR Revision 08 dated 01 June 2023.

The use of later approved variations or revisions of the above mentioned document 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. This AD was posted on 22 June 2023 as PAD 23-079 for consultation until 20 July 2023. The Comment Response Document can be found in the [EASA Safety Publications Tool](#), in the compressed (zipped) file attached to the record for this AD.
3. Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the EASA Safety Information Section, Certification Directorate. E-mail: [ADs@easa.europa.eu](mailto:ADs@easa.europa.eu).
4. Information about any failures, malfunctions, defects or other occurrences, which may be similar to the unsafe condition addressed by this AD, and which may occur, or have occurred on a product, part or appliance not affected by this AD, can be reported to the [EU aviation safety](#)



[reporting system](#). This may include reporting on the same or similar components, other than those covered by the design to which this AD applies, if the same unsafe condition can exist or may develop on an aircraft with those components installed. Such components may be installed under an FAA Parts Manufacturer Approval (PMA), Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) or other modification.

5. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: AIRBUS S.A.S. A350 XWB (1IAK), E-mail: [continued-airworthiness.a350@airbus.com](mailto:continued-airworthiness.a350@airbus.com).

