

(2) For airplanes having serial numbers 3105 through 3174 inclusive: Replace the screws in the rudder and elevator trim tabs with new screws (including applying zinc-chromate putty, torquing the screws, and removing the squeezed zinc-chromate putty), per Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328J-55-074, Revision 1, dated December 11, 2001.

(3) For airplanes having serial numbers 3105 through 3196, excluding serial numbers 3192 through 3194 inclusive: Except as provided by paragraph (d) of this AD, do the actions specified in paragraphs (c)(3)(i), (c)(3)(ii), and (c)(3)(iii) of this AD, per Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328J-55-153, dated February 8, 2002.

(i) Remove and re-install the screws in the elevator trim tab (including applying zinc-chromate putty, torquing the screws, and removing the squeezed zinc-chromate putty).

(ii) Remove and re-install the screws in the rudder trim tab (including applying zinc-chromate putty, torquing the screws, and removing the squeezed zinc-chromate putty).

(iii) Remove and re-install the screws in the rudder spring tab (including applying

zinc-chromate putty, torquing the screws, and removing the squeezed zinc-chromate putty).

(4) For airplanes having serial numbers 3175 through 3196, excluding serial numbers 3192 through 3194 inclusive: Remove and re-install the screws in the aileron trim tab (including applying zinc-chromate putty, torquing the screws, and removing the squeezed zinc-chromate putty), per Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328J-57-152, dated February 8, 2002.

(d) For Model 328-300 airplanes on which the actions specified in Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328J-55-074, Revision 1, dated December 11, 2001, have been accomplished, the requirements specified in paragraphs (c)(3)(i) and (c)(3)(ii) of this AD do not need to be accomplished.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(e) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport

Airplane Directorate, FAA. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

Special Flight Permits

(f) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Incorporation by Reference

(g) The actions shall be done in accordance with the Dornier service bulletins listed in Table 2 of this AD as follows:

TABLE 2.—SERVICE BULLETINS

Dornier service bulletin	Revision	Date
SB-328-57-350	2	January 16, 2002
SB-328-55-368	1	December 11, 2001
SB-328-55-422	Original	February 8, 2002
SB-328J-57-057	2	January 16, 2002
SB-328J-55-074	1	December 11, 2001
SB-328J-55-153	Original	February 8, 2002
SB-328J-57-152	Original	February 8, 2002

This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from FAIRCHILD DORNIER, DORNIER Luftfahrt GmbH, PO Box 1103, D-82230 Wessling, Germany. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in German airworthiness directives 2002-126/2 and 2002-127/2, both dated June 27, 2002.

Effective Date

(h) This amendment becomes effective on March 12, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

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Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A330-223, -321, -322, and -323 Series Airplanes Equipped With Pratt & Whitney Model PW4164, PW4168, or PW4168A Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to certain Airbus Model A330-223, -321, -322, and -323 series airplanes equipped with Pratt & Whitney Model PW4164, PW4168, or PW4168A engines. This action requires modification of the primary structure of the engine pylons, and replacement of the thrust reverser locking actuators with new, improved locking actuators. This action is necessary to prevent

reduced structural integrity of the primary structure of the engine pylons, and uncommanded deployment of the thrust reversers, which could result in reduced controllability of the airplane. This action is intended to address the identified unsafe condition.

DATES: Effective February 20, 2003.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of February 20, 2003.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before March 7, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2002-NM-102-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Comments may be submitted via fax to (425) 227-1232. Comments may also be sent via the Internet using the following address: 9-anm-iarcomment@faa.gov. Comments sent via fax or the Internet must contain