

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

**Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.P.A.:**

airplanes that are certificated in any category:

Docket No. 2003–CE–11–AD.

**§ 39.13 [Amended]**

2. FAA amends § 39.13 by adding a new airworthiness directive (AD) to read as follows:

(a) *What airplanes are affected by this AD?* This AD affects the following

Model	Serial No.
Sky Arrow 650 TC .....	C001 through C004, C006 through C008, and C011.
Sky Arrow 650 TCN .....	CN001 through CN006 and CN008.

(b) *Who must comply with this AD?* Anyone who wishes to operate any of the airplanes identified in paragraph (a) of this AD must comply with this AD.

(c) *What problem does this AD address?* The actions specified by this

AD are intended to prevent failure of the nose gear support bulkhead (STA600). Such failure could lead to loss of control of the airplane during landing or take-off.

(d) *What actions must I accomplish to address this problem?* To address this problem, you must accomplish the following, unless already accomplished:

Actions	Compliance	Procedures
Modify the nose gear support bulkhead (STA600).	Within the next 100 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of this AD.	In accordance with Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. 3i Service Bulletin SB–C No. 02–02, dated October 15, 2002.

(e) *Can I comply with this AD in any other way?* To use an alternative method of compliance or adjust the compliance time, follow the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Send these requests to the Manager, Standards Office, Small Airplane Directorate, For information on any already approved alternative methods of compliance, contact Doug Rudolph, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329–4059; facsimile: (816) 329–4090.

(f) *How do I get copies of the documents referenced in this AD?* You may get copies of the documents referenced in this AD from Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A., Corso Trieste, n. 150, 00198 Rome, Italy; telephone: 06 84.15.821; facsimile: 06 855.71.62. You may view these documents at FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 901 Locust, Room 506, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

**Note:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Italian AD Number 2002–591, dated November 29, 2002.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on March 26, 2003.

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Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39**

**[Docket No. 2003–CE–10–AD]**

**RIN 2120–AA64**

**Airworthiness Directives; Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. Models Sky Arrow 650 TC and 650 TCN Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) that would apply to all Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. (3I) Models Sky Arrow 650 TC and 650 TCN airplanes. This proposed AD would require you to repetitively inspect the engine mount for cracks and modify or replace the engine mount if cracks are found. This proposed AD is the result of mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) issued by the airworthiness authority for Italy. The actions specified by this proposed AD are intended to detect and correct cracks in the engine mount, which could result in failure of the engine mount. Such failure could lead to separation of the engine from the airplane.

**DATES:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) must receive any comments on this proposed rule on or before May 9, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional

Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2003–CE–10–AD, 901 Locust, Room 506, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. You may view any comments at this location between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also send comments electronically to the following address: 9-ACE-7-Docket@faa.gov. Comments sent electronically must contain “Docket No. 2003–CE–10–AD” in the subject line. If you send comments electronically as attached electronic files, the files must be formatted in Microsoft Word 97 for Windows or ASCII text.

You may get service information that applies to this proposed AD from Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A., Corso Trieste, n. 150, 00198 Rome, Italy; telephone: 06 84.15.821; facsimile: 06 855.71.62. You may also view this information at the Rules Docket at the address above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doug Rudolph, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329–4059; facsimile: (816) 329–4090.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Comments Invited**

*How Do I Comment on This Proposed AD?*

The FAA invites comments on this proposed rule. You may submit whatever written data, views, or arguments you choose. You need to include the rule’s docket number and submit your comments to the address

specified under the caption **ADDRESSES**. We will consider all comments received on or before the closing date. We may amend this proposed rule in light of comments received. Factual information that supports your ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this proposed AD action and determining whether we need to take additional rulemaking action.

*Are There Any Specific Portions of This Proposed AD I Should Pay Attention to?*

The FAA specifically invites comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this proposed rule that might suggest a need to modify the proposed rule. You may view all comments we receive before and after the closing date of the proposed rule in the Rules Docket. We will file a report in the Rules Docket that summarizes each contact we have with the public that concerns the substantive parts of this proposed AD.

*How Can I Be Sure FAA Receives My Comment?*

If you want FAA to acknowledge the receipt of your mailed comments, you must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard. On the postcard, write "Comments to Docket No. 2003-CE-10-AD." We will date stamp and mail the postcard back to you.

**Discussion**

*What Events Have Caused This Proposed AD?*

The Ente Nazionale per l'Aviazione Civile (ENAC), which is the airworthiness authority for Italy, recently notified FAA that an unsafe condition may exist on all Iniziative Industriali Italiane S.p.A. (3I) Models Sky Arrow 650 TC and 650 TCN airplanes. The ENAC reports that data collected on in-service airplanes shows that cracks have been detected on the engine mount of several airplanes with high operating time on grass airfields and at flight schools where activity of hard landings have occurred.

*What Are the Consequences if the Condition Is Not Corrected?*

This condition, if not detected and corrected, could result in failure of the

engine mount. Such failure could lead to separation of the engine from the airplane.

*Is There Service Information That Applies to This Subject?*

Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. has issued 3i Service Bulletin SB-C No. 01/02, dated October 15, 2002.

*What Are the Provisions of This Service Information?*

The service bulletin includes procedures for:

- Repetitively inspecting the engine mount for cracks; and
- Modifying the engine mount if cracks are found.

*What Action Did the ENAC Take?*

The ENAC classified this service bulletin as mandatory and issued Italian AD Number 2002-590, dated November 29, 2002, in order to ensure the continued airworthiness of these airplanes in Italy.

*Was This in Accordance With the Bilateral Airworthiness Agreement?*

These airplane models are manufactured in Italy and are type certificated for operation in the United States under the provisions of § 21.29 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.29) and the applicable bilateral airworthiness agreement.

Pursuant to this bilateral airworthiness agreement, the ENAC has kept FAA informed of the situation described above.

*What Are the Differences Between This Proposed AD, the ENAC AD, and the Service Information?*

The ENAC AD and the service information requires (on Italian-registered airplanes) inspection within the next 10 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of the AD. We propose a requirement that you inspect within the next 50 hours TIS after the effective date of this proposed AD. We do not have justification to require this action within the next 10 hours TIS.

We use compliance times such as 10 hours TIS when we have identified an urgent safety of flight situation. We believe that 50 hours TIS will give the owners or operators of the affected airplanes enough time to have the

proposed actions accomplished without compromising the safety of the airplanes.

**The FAA's Determination and an Explanation of the Provisions of This Proposed AD**

*What Has FAA Decided?*

The FAA has examined the findings of the ENAC; reviewed all available information, including the service information referenced above; and determined that:

- The unsafe condition referenced in this document exists or could develop on other Iniziative Industriali Italiane S.p.A. (3I) Models Sky Arrow 650 TC and 650 TCN airplanes of the same type design that are on the U.S. registry;
- The actions specified in the previously-referenced service information should be accomplished on the affected airplanes; and
- AD action should be taken in order to correct this unsafe condition.

*What Would This Proposed AD Require?*

This proposed AD would require you to incorporate the actions in the previously-referenced service bulletin.

*How Does the Revision to 14 CFR Part 39 Affect This Proposed AD?*

On July 10, 2002, FAA published a new version of 14 CFR part 39 (67 FR 47997, July 22, 2002), which governs FAA's AD system. This regulation now includes material that relates to special flight permits, alternative methods of compliance, and altered products. This material previously was included in each individual AD. Since this material is included in 14 CFR part 39, we will not include it in future AD actions.

**Cost Impact**

*How Many Airplanes Would This Proposed AD Impact?*

We estimate that this proposed AD affects 10 airplanes in the U.S. registry.

*What Would Be the Cost Impact of This Proposed AD on Owners/Operators of the Affected Airplanes?*

We estimate the following costs to accomplish the proposed inspection:

Labor cost	Parts cost	Total cost per airplane	Total cost on U.S. operators
1 workhour × \$60 = \$60 .....	No parts required .....	\$60	\$60 × 10 = \$600.

We estimate the following costs to accomplish the necessary modification:

Labor cost	Parts cost	Total cost per airplane
14 workhours × \$60 = \$840 .....	\$100	\$940

We estimate the following costs to accomplish any necessary replacements that would be required based on the

results of the proposed inspection. We have no way of determining the number

of airplanes that may need such replacement:

Labor cost	Parts cost	Total cost per airplane
11 workhours × \$60 = \$660 .....	\$500	\$1,160

## Regulatory Impact

### *Would This Proposed AD Impact Various Entities?*

The regulations proposed herein would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, it is determined that this proposed rule would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

### *Would This Proposed AD Involve a Significant Rule or Regulatory Action?*

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed action (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative,

on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action has been placed in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

### The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

### **PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES**

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

### **§ 39.13 [Amended]**

2. FAA amends § 39.13 by adding a new airworthiness directive (AD) to read as follows:

**Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A.:** Docket No. 2003-CE-10-AD.

(a) *What airplanes are affected by this AD?* This AD affects Models Sky Arrow 650 TC and 650 TCN airplanes, all serial numbers, that are certificated in any category.

(b) *Who must comply with this AD?* Anyone who wishes to operate any of the airplanes identified in paragraph (a) of this AD must comply with this AD.

(c) *What problem does this AD address?* The actions specified by this AD are intended to detect and correct cracks in the engine mount, which could result in failure of the engine mount. Such failure could lead to separation of the engine from the airplane.

(d) *What actions must I accomplish to address this problem?* To address this problem, you must accomplish the following:

Actions	Compliance	Procedures
(1) Inspect the engine mount for cracks .....	Initially inspect within the next 50 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of this AD. Repetitively inspect thereafter at intervals not to exceed 100 hours TIS until the modification or replacement specified in paragraph (d)(2) or (d)(3) of this AD is incorporated.	In accordance with Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. 3i Service Bulletin SB-C No. 01-02, dated October 15, 2002.
(2) If cracks are found during any inspection required in paragraph (d)(1) of this AD and the cracks are 20 millimeters (mm) or less in size, modify the engine mount.	Prior to further flight after the inspection in which the cracks are found. Incorporating the manufacturer's modification kit terminates the repetitive inspection requirements of this AD.	In accordance with Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. 3i Service Bulletin SB-C No. 01-02, dated October 15, 2002.
(3) If cracks are found during the inspection required in paragraph (d)(1) of this AD and the cracks are more than 20 millimeters in length, the engine mount must be replaced with a new, already modified engine mount.	Prior to further flight after the inspection in which the cracks are found. Replacing the engine mount with a new, already modified engine mount terminates the repetitive inspection requirements of this AD.	In accordance with Iniziativa Industriali Italiane S.p.A. 3i Service Bulletin SB-C No. 01-02, dated October 15, 2002.

Actions	Compliance	Procedures
(4) After any inspection required in paragraph (d)(1) of this AD, and no cracks are found, you may incorporate the modification or install a new, already modified engine mount as referenced in paragraph (d)(2) and (d)(3) of this AD. This modification terminates the repetitive inspection requirements of this AD.	N/A .....	In accordance with Iniziativa Industriale Italiane S.p.A. 3i Service Bulletin SB-C No. 01-02, dated October 15, 2002.
(5) Do not install any engine mount unless it has been modified as specified in paragraph (d)(2) of this AD.	As of the effective date of this AD .....	Not applicable.

(e) *Can I comply with this AD in any other way?* To use an alternative method of compliance or adjust the compliance time, follow the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Send these requests to the Manager, Standards Office, Small Airplane Directorate. For information on any already approved alternative methods of compliance, contact Doug Rudolph, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329-4059; facsimile: (816) 329-4090.

(f) *How do I get copies of the documents referenced in this AD?* You may get copies of the documents referenced in this AD from Iniziativa Industriale Italiane S.p.A., Corso Trieste, n. 150, 00198 Rome, Italy; telephone: 06 84.15.821; facsimile: 06 855.71.62. You may view these documents at FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 901 Locust, Room 506, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

**Note:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Italian AD Number 2002-590, dated November 29, 2002.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on March 26, 2003.

**Michael Gallagher,**  
Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2002-NM-02-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A330 and A340 Series Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to all Airbus Model A330 and A340 series airplanes. This proposal would require

revising the Airworthiness Limitations Section of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness to incorporate life limits for the servo-controls located on the ailerons and replacement of the servo-controls with new servo-controls when they have reached their operational life limits. This action is necessary to prevent hydraulic leakage and failure of the servo-controls due to cracks in the end caps and along the barrel, which could result in loss of the ailerons and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane. This action is intended to address the identified unsafe condition.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by May 5, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2002-NM-02-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-nprmcomment@faa.gov](mailto:9-anm-nprmcomment@faa.gov). Comments sent via fax or the Internet must contain "Docket No. 2002-NM-02-AD" in the subject line and need not be submitted in triplicate. Comments sent via the Internet as attached electronic files must be formatted in Microsoft Word 97 for Windows or ASCII text.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Todd Thompson, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-1175; fax (425) 227-1149.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as

they may desire. Communications shall identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this action may be changed in light of the comments received.

Submit comments using the following format:

- Organize comments issue-by-issue. For example, discuss a request to change the compliance time and a request to change the service bulletin reference as two separate issues.
- For each issue, state what specific change to the proposed AD is being requested.
- Include justification (e.g., reasons or data) for each request.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this action must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket Number 2002-NM-02-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

#### Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2002-NM-02-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

#### Discussion

The Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile (DGAC), which is the