

Bucher extends galley lifecycles with Lufthansa Group refurbishment



Refurbished Bucher galley installed onboard a Lufthansa Group A320-family aircraft as part of lifecycle extension program

[Bucher Leichtbau](#) has completed a large-scale galley refurbishment program for [Lufthansa Group](#), modernizing aircraft interior units originally delivered in 2011 for A320 and A321 aircraft.

The project focused on extending the operational life of existing galley structures through inspection, structural assessment and targeted upgrades rather than full replacement. According to Bucher, most of the units have now been refurbished and prepared for continued service.

The program reflects the company's broader engineering philosophy centered on reducing material use, reusing structural components and renewing systems where upgrades are required.

Bucher says its proprietary lightweight aluminum frame construction enables long service lifecycles while maintaining structural strength and corrosion resistance. The modular galley design also allows individual components to be repaired or replaced, supporting refurbishment and reducing waste over time.

"By refurbishing and upgrading them instead of replacing, we help our customers save costs and resources while supporting a cleaner aviation future," said Beat Burlet, CEO of Bucher Group, in a

statement.

The company noted that lightweight construction also contributes to operational efficiency by reducing aircraft weight, helping lower fuel consumption throughout the lifecycle of the aircraft.

In addition to the refurbishment work, Bucher highlighted its ongoing sustainability initiatives through its agreement with the Swiss Energy Agency for the Economy, which supports energy efficiency improvements across its operations.

The Lufthansa Group refurbishment project demonstrates growing industry interest in extending the lifespan of aircraft interior products through overhaul and modernization programs rather than replacement.

“As the aviation industry works towards its goal of near emission-free transport by 2035, projects like this demonstrate how durability, refurbishment, and sustainability can go hand in hand,” Bucher said in the statement.

The company says the initiative reinforces its long-term focus on resource-efficient cabin interior solutions while supporting airline efforts to reduce environmental impact and operational costs.