

#### SATA Internacional – Azores Airlines, SA

Tariff containing rules applicable to scheduled services for the transportation of passengers and their baggage between **Points in Canada and Points inside and outside Canada** 

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# Part I – General tariff – – – information

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# Explanation of abbreviations, reference marks and symbols

\$	Dollar(s)
(C)	Denotes change which results in neither increases or decreases
(1)	Denotes increase
(N)	Denotes addition
(R)	Denotes reduction
(X)	Denotes cancellation
APPR	Air Passenger Protection Regulations
ATPDR	Accessible Transportation for Persons with Disabilities Regulations
CAD	Canadian dollar(s)
СТА	Canadian Transportation Agency also referred to as the "Agency"
EU	European Union
ΙΑΤΑ	International Air Transport Association
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
N/A	Not applicable
No	Number
SDR	Special drawing rights
USD	United States dollar(s)
U.S. DoT	United States Department of Transportation



#### **Rule 1: Definitions**

"Agency" means the Canadian Transportation Agency.

"APPR" means the Air Passenger Protection Regulations.

"Assistive device" means any medical device, mobility aid, communication aid or other aid that is specially designed to assist a person with a disability with a need related to their disability.

"ATPDR" means the Accessible Transportation for Persons with Disabilities Regulations.

"ATR" means the Air Transportation Regulations.

**"baggage"** means any good that is necessary or appropriate for the wear, use, comfort, or convenience of the passenger for the purpose of the trip. Unless otherwise specified, it shall include both checked and unchecked baggage of the passenger.

**"baggage identification tag"** means a document issued by the carrier solely for identification of checked baggage, part of which is given to the passenger as a receipt for the passenger's checked baggage and the remaining part is attached by the carrier onto a particular piece of the passenger's checked baggage.

"bank of seats" means passenger seats that are immediately adjacent to each other and does not include passenger seats that are across the aisle.

"bankers' buying rate of exchange or bankers' selling rate of exchange" means:

- In Canada, the unit rate published in the Toronto *Globe and Mail* Friday edition each week, as the foreign exchange mid-market rate in Canadian funds. When a national holiday falls on Friday, the rates quoted on the previous business day will be used. These rates will be applicable from Monday of the following week up to and including the following Sunday.
- In the United States, the rate published each Tuesday in the Wall Street Journal under the heading Foreign Exchange. This rate will be applicable from Wednesday of each week up to and including the Tuesday of the following week. When a national holiday falls on a Monday, foreign exchange rates do not appear in the Tuesday edition of the Wall Street Journal. In such exceptional cases, the previous week's rates are used through Wednesday instead of Tuesday, and the Wednesday edition of the Wall Street Journal will be used for the period Thursday through Tuesday of the following week.

In other countries, in the case of the "bankers' buying rate of exchange, the
rate at which a bank will purchase, and, in the case of the "bankers' selling rate
of exchange", the rate at which a bank will sell a given amount of foreign
currency in exchange for one unit or units of the national currency of the
country in which the exchange transaction takes place for the purpose of the
transfer of funds through banking channels i.e., other than transactions in bank
notes, travellers checks, and similar banking instruments.

**"barrier"** means anything – including anything physical, architectural, technological, or attitudinal, anything that is based on information or communications or anything that is the result of a policy or a practice – that hinders the full and equal participation in society of persons with an impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication or sensory impairment or a functional limitation.

**"boarding area"** means the point where the passenger's flight coupons are lifted and kept by the carrier or the point where the carrier examines the passenger's boarding pass prior to the passenger being permitted on the aircraft.

**"boarding pass"** includes either a paper document or an electronic document issued by the carrier to the passenger and serves as a record that the passenger has checked in for their flight and, when it shows a seat assignment, it permits a passenger to board a particular flight.

**"boarding time deadline"** is the time limit specified by the carrier by which the passenger must be present at the designated boarding area of their flight.

"Canada" means the ten provinces of Canada, the Yukon Territory, the Districts and Islands comprising the Northwest Territories of Canada and Nunavut.

"Carrier" means SATA Internacional – Azores Airlines, S.A.

"checked baggage" means baggage of which the carrier takes sole custody and for which the carrier issues a baggage identification tag.

"check-in deadline" is the time limit specified by the carrier by which the passenger must have completed check-in formalities and received a boarding pass.

"circle trip" means any trip conducted in a continuous and circuitous route where the point of origin is also the ultimate destination but is not a round trip because it involves more than one stopover.

"code-share" refers to a marketing agreement in which two or more airlines i.e. marketing carrier(s) sell seats using their own airline code on a flight that one of them operates (i.e. the operating carrier).

"commercial agreement" means an agreement to sell tickets on another carrier's flight, or each other's flights (like a code-share, or a block space agreement)

**"Convention"** means the Convention for the unification of certain rules relating to international carriage by air, signed at Warsaw, 12 October 1929, or that convention as amended by the Hague protocol, 1955, or the Montreal Convention signed in Montreal on 28 May, 1999 whichever may be applicable to carriage hereunder.

"conjunction ticket" means a ticket issued to a passenger concurrently with another ticket(s) which together constitute a single contract of carriage.

"curbside zone" means an area that is located outside of a terminal where passengers are picked up or dropped off and that is owned, operated, leased, or otherwise controlled by the terminal operator.

"denial of boarding" occurs when a passenger is not permitted to occupy a seat on-board a flight because the number of seats that may be occupied on the flight is less than the number of passengers who have checked in by the required time, hold a confirmed reservation and valid travel documentation, and are present at the boarding gate at the required boarding time.

"destination" is a deliberate break of a journey initiated by the passenger and agreed to in advance by the carrier at a point after the place of departure but before the ultimate destination has been reached. The deliberate break must be for a purpose other than changing aircraft. Transportation to a destination may involve multiple flight segments on a single ticket/itinerary.

#### "destination, ultimate" see ultimate destination.

"disability" means any impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication, or sensory impairment — or a functional limitation — whether permanent, temporary, or episodic in nature, or evident or not, that, in interaction with a barrier, hinders a person's full and equal participation in society.

"Electronic Miscellaneous Document (EMD)" is an electronic record issued by airline or its authorised agent, in accordance with applicable tariffs, for residual value or for the collection of miscellaneous charges. Depending on the reason for issuance, the EMD may be required to be associated to a ticket flight coupon(s) (EMD-A) or the EMD can be issued as a standalone document (EMD-S).

**"European Union (EU)"** means any one of the sovereign nation states that have acceded to the EU. In accordance with Article 299(2) of the Treaty Establishing the EU, this tariff also applies to overseas departments, namely Guadeloupe, French Guyana, Martinique, Reunion Island, the Azores, Madeira, and the Canary Islands.

"flight coupon" means that portion of the ticket which is either held electronically in the carrier's database or on paper when a paper ticket is issued to a passenger. It indicates the particular points between which the passenger is entitled to transportation.

"immediate family" means spouse, parents and grandparents, children and grandchildren, brothers, and sisters, mother-in-law and father-in-law, brothers in law and sisters in law, daughters in law and sons in law. Adopted and step members are also included in immediate family.

"international transportation" means air transportation between Portugal and a point in the territory of another country.

"involuntary refund" means any refund made in the event:

- the passenger is prevented from using all or a portion of their ticket due to cancellation, postponement, or delay beyond the reasonable limits of a flight, omission of a stopover indicated on the ticket (stopover), inability of the carrier to provide a previously confirmed seat;
- the passenger's original class of service is changed to a lower class of service; or
- the passenger is unable to use any additional service purchased in situations set out in Rules 90, 91, 95, 96 or 121.

"itinerary/receipt" means a travel document or documents the carrier or its agent issues to the passenger travelling on a ticket. The itinerary/receipt contains the passenger's name, flight information and notices relevant for the journey. This document is to be retained by the passenger during the entire journey.

"Large Carrier APPR" is a carrier that has transported a worldwide total of two million passengers or more during each of the two preceding calendar years.

"Large Carrier ATPDR" is a carrier that has transported a worldwide total of one million passengers or more during each of the two preceding calendar years.

"minor" means a person who has not reached their 18th birthday on the date that travel commences.

**"mobility aid"** means any manual or electric wheelchair, scooter, boarding chair, walker, cane, crutch, prosthesis, or other aid that is specially designed to assist a person with a disability with a need related to mobility.

"normal fare" means the highest priced fare established for a first, business or economy class service during the period of applicability.

"open jaw trip" means any trip comprising of two separate fare components with a surface break.

"origin" means the initial starting place of the journey as shown on the ticket.

"passenger" means any person, except members of the crew, carried or to be carried in an aircraft with the consent of the carrier pursuant to a valid contract of carriage.

**"person with a disability** means a person with any impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication, or sensory impairment — or a functional limitation — whether permanent, temporary, or episodic in nature, or evident or not, that, in interaction with a barrier, hinders a person's full and equal participation in society.

"priority baggage" means baggage that will be the last items to be stowed in the aircraft hold and the first items to be removed. Aids required for the mobility or well-being of persons with disabilities shall be treated as priority baggage.

**"refusal to transport"** means, despite a passenger holding a valid ticket/itinerary, the carrier will not carry or, if necessary, remove the passenger at any point for reasons found in Rule 105, Refusal to Transport.

"**required for safety purposes**" means required by law in order to reduce risk to passenger safety and includes required by safety decisions made within the authority of the pilot of the aircraft or any decision made in accordance with a *safety management system* as defined in subsection 101.01(1) of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations* but does not include scheduled maintenance in compliance with legal requirements.

**"reservation"** is a record, either in paper form or in electronic form, of the accommodation held by a passenger on any given flight. The reservation would specify the date and times of travel, flight number and the class of service to be provided to the passenger.

"routing" establishes the possible points via which travel may take place for a specific fare.

"self-reliant" means that a person does not require services related to a disability beyond that normally provided by the carrier, or beyond that which applicable rules or regulations require the carrier to provide.

"service dog" means dogs that are individually trained to work or perform special duties for the benefit of a qualified individual with a disability, including physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disabilities.

"severe allergy" means an allergy to an allergen that may cause a person to experience significant physical distress if they are directly exposed to the allergen.

"situations outside the carrier's control" include, but are not limited to the following:

- war or political instability;
- illegal acts or sabotage;
- meteorological conditions or natural disasters that make the safe operation of the aircraft impossible;
- instructions from air traffic control;
- a NOTAM, (Notice to Airmen) as defined in subsection 101.01(1) of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations*;
- a security threat;
- airport operation issues;
- a medical emergency;
- a collision with wildlife;
- a labour disruption within the carrier or within an essential service provider such as an airport or an air navigation service provider;
- a manufacturing defect in an aircraft that reduces the safety of passengers and that was identified by the manufacturer of the aircraft concerned, or by a competent authority; and
- an order or instruction from an official of a state or a law enforcement agency or from a person responsible for airport security.

"Small Carrier APPR" means any carrier that is not a Large Carrier APPR. For greater certainty, Small Carrier APPR means a carrier that has not transported a worldwide total of two million passengers or more during each of the two preceding calendar years. For the purposes of APPR, the small carrier has the same obligations as a Large Carrier APPR towards a passenger that it carries on behalf of a Large Carrier APPR under a commercial agreement with that carrier.

"special drawing rights (SDR)" is a unit of account of the International Monetary Fund.

"special fare" means any fare other than a normal fare.

**"stopover"** is, for the purposes of fare construction and establishing the applicable fare or fares which apply to a passenger's itinerary, a deliberate break of a journey initiated by the passenger and agreed to in advance by the carrier at a point between the place of departure and the place of ultimate destination. The deliberate break in the journey must be for a purpose other than

changing aircraft and might result in a calculation of additional charges as set out in the corresponding fare rules.

"support person" means a person who is needed by a person with a disability, because of the nature of their disability, after departure and before arrival for assistance with eating meals, taking medication, using the washroom, transferring to and from a passenger seat, orientation and communication; or for physical assistance in an emergency, including in the case of an evacuation or decompression.

"tariff" means a schedule of fares, rates, charges or terms and conditions of carriage applicable to the provision of an air service and other incidental services.

"tarmac delay" occurs when a flight is delayed on the tarmac after the doors of the aircraft are closed for take-off or after the flight has landed.

"ticket" means either a paper or electronic document issued by or on behalf of the carrier which includes the passenger's flight coupons. The ticket serves as evidence of payment of air fare and constitutes for the passenger proof of their contract of carriage. In instances where a ticket exists as an electronic document, the carrier issues to the passenger, as proof of purchase, an itinerary/receipt.

"traffic" means any persons or goods that are transported by air.

"transfer point" means any point at which the passenger transfers between aircraft.

"ultimate destination" is the ultimate stopping place according to the tariff/contract of carriage as shown on the ticket/itinerary. In round trip itineraries, the ultimate destination and the origin are the same.

"unchecked baggage" means any baggage (carry-on) accompanying the passenger other than checked baggage.

"voluntary refund" means a refund of an unused or partially used ticket or service that is not an "involuntary refund" and is subject to fare refundability in accordance with the fare rules.

**"voucher"** means a document or certificate provided by the carrier, either in paper or electronic format, to a passenger which acts as a form of payment. A voucher has a certain monetary value associated with it which is established by the carrier and may be used during its period of validity towards the purchase of future travel or additional services offered by the carrier or the provision of incidental services such as meals, ground transportation, and hotel accommodation. Vouchers may be provided by the carrier as a goodwill gesture.

## **Rule 5: Application of tariff**

#### (A) General

- (1) This tariff shall apply to carriage of passengers and their accompanying baggage, and to all services incidental thereto:
  - (a) For carriage on flights operated and marketed (carrying a SATA Internacional -Azores Airlines, S.A. flight number) to a passenger by SATA Internacional -Azores Airlines, S.A., and
  - (b) For carriage on flights marketed by SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A. to a passenger but operated by another carrier.
- (2) With the exception of code-share agreements, when the carrier issues a ticket, baggage check, or makes any other arrangements for transportation over the services of, and in the name of, any other carrier (whether or not such transportation is part of a through service), the carrier acts only as agent for such other carrier and the tariff of that other carrier will apply.
- (3) Air transportation will be subject to the rules, rates, fares and charges published or referred to in this tariff, in effect on the date of the ticket issuance.
- (4) Unless the fare rule governing a specific fare basis code applicable to the transportation purchased by the passenger states otherwise, the general rules contained in this tariff will apply.
- (5) The contents of this tariff constitute the contract between the carrier and the passenger. Should there be a conflict between this tariff and any other document issued or posted by the carrier, this tariff will prevail.
- (6) The carrier's rules, regulations and conditions of carriage as found in this tariff are subject to change without notice only when required by applicable laws, government regulations, orders, and requirements.

#### (B) Liability under the applicable tariff

(1) For international transportation, in the case of damages due to death or bodily injury, passenger delay and lost, damaged, and delayed baggage, the carrier will be subject to the rules relating to liability established by, and to all other provisions of either the

Warsaw or the Montreal Convention. The carrier may stipulate that the limits of liability contained in this tariff are higher than those provided for within the applicable Convention or that there are no limits of liability whatsoever. In all other instances, tariff rules which are inconsistent with any provision of the applicable Convention will, to that extent, be inapplicable to international transportation (see Rule 121, Liability - international transportation).

#### (C) Overriding law/severability

(1) If any provision contained or referred to in the ticket or this tariff is found to be contrary to an applicable law, government regulation, order or requirement, which cannot be waived by agreement of the parties, such provision, to the extent that it is invalid, shall be severed from the ticket or tariff and the remaining provisions shall continue to be in full force and effect.

#### (D) Modification and waiver

(1) No agent, servant or representative of the carrier has the authority to alter, modify, or waive any provisions of this tariff.

#### (E) Self identification – large or small carrier

#### APPR

(1) For the purposes of establishing obligations toward passengers under the APPR, SATA Internacional - Azores Airlines, S.A. declares that it is a Small Carrier APPR.

#### Accessibility for persons with disabilities

(2) For the purposes of establishing obligations toward passengers with disabilities under the ATPDR or otherwise, SATA Internacional - Azores Airlines, S.A. declares that it is a Large Carrier ATPDR.

#### Local Law Exception

(3) Notwithstanding the above, local laws may also apply or apply instead of APPR or ATPDR.

#### (F) Passenger recourse

- (1) In the case of dispute with SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A., passengers should, as the first recourse, try to resolve any problem by dealing directly with the carrier.
- (2) If the passenger has attempted to resolve a complaint with the carrier and is still not satisfied, insofar as the complaint relates to or is brought under a Canadian passenger rights regime, or Canadian laws or regulations (including, but not limited to the ATR, the APPR and the ATPDR), the passenger may take the matter to the Canadian Transportation Agency.
- (3) If the passenger has attempted to resolve a complaint with the carrier and is still not satisfied, insofar as the complaint relates to or is brought under non-Canadian local law (i.e. under a passenger rights regime and/or the laws or regulations of any jurisdiction other than Canada), the passenger is prohibited from taking it to or bringing it before the Canadian Transportation Agency or any court or other enforcement body in Canada, and must exercise any such right of recourse before a court(s) and/or body(ies) in a jurisdiction in which the regime or law under which recourse is sought is the local law to which or under which the complaint is brought.

# Part II Before departure

## **Part II – Before departure**

### **Rule 10: Application of fares and charges**

#### (A) General

- (1) Applicable fares are those published by or on behalf of the carrier or, if not published, constructed in accordance with the carrier's tariff.
- (2) Fares and charges will apply only to air transportation between the points named on the ticket. Ground transfer services, unless otherwise specified in Rule 85, Ground transfer services, will be arranged by the passenger and at their own expense and are not subject to the terms of this tariff.
- (3) Fares, rates and charges are filed through the Airline Tariff Publishing Company (ATPCO) in Tariff AATCP NTA (A) No. 101.

#### (B) Fares in effect

(1) Subject to government requirements and this tariff the applicable fare is the fare in effect on the date of the ticket issuance.

#### (C) Routing

- (1) Unless otherwise provided in the carrier's tariff, fares apply only to their associated routing.
- (2) If there is more than one routing associated with a fare, the passenger, prior to their ticket being issued, may specify the routing they prefer. If no routing is specified, the carrier may determine the routing. (See Rule 50, Routings)

#### (D) Taxes and charges

(1) Any tax or charge imposed by government or other authority, or by the operator of an airport, in respect of a passenger or the use by a passenger of any services or facilities will be in addition to the published fares and charges and will be payable by the passenger, except as otherwise provided in the carrier's tariff. (See Rule 15, Taxes)

#### (E) Currency of fares

- (1) All fares and charges are stated in Canadian dollars for travel commencing in Canada.
- (2) All fares and charges are stated in Euros for travel commencing in Portugal.
- (3) All fares and charges are stated in U.S. dollars for travel commencing in the United States.
- (4) All fares and charges, for travel commencing outside Canada or Portugal or the United States, are stated in the local currency of the country where travel commences, except to the extent that IATA rules provide for the establishment of fares in another currency.

#### **Rule 15: Taxes**

#### (A) General

- (1) Taxes imposed by governments are payable by the passenger and are in addition to the published or constructed fare.
- (2) At the time of the ticket purchase, the passenger will be advised by the carrier of all the taxes appearing on the ticket.
- (3) Taxes will be shown separately on the ticket.
- (4) The conditions under which taxes are imposed, collected or refunded are established by the taxing authority (domestic or foreign) and in all cases will be respected. As a result, the carrier will either collect new or higher amounts or refund all or a portion of the tax paid based on the conditions imposed by the taxing authority.

### **Rule 20: Methods of payment**

#### (A) General

The following is a list of payment options accepted by the carrier for the payment of tickets and services offered by the carrier:

- (1) Cash in currencies acceptable to the carrier
- (2) Credit card
- (3) Bank debit card, where facilities permit
- (4) Certified cheques
- (5) EMDs (Electronic Miscellaneous Document)
- (6) Vouchers
- (7) Redeemable travel points or travel miles.
- (8) Cash&Miles

### **Rule 25: Currency of payment**

#### (A) General

- (1) Currency provisions are subject to government regulations and applicable foreign exchange regulations.
- (2) When travel commences in Canada, payment for tickets will be in Canadian dollars at the Canadian dollar fare, or its equivalent in other currencies converted to Canadian dollars at the bankers' buying rate of exchange.
- (3) When travel commences in the United States, payment for tickets will be in U.S. dollars at the U.S. dollar fare, or its equivalent in other currencies converted to U.S. dollars at the bankers' buying rate of exchange.
- (4) When travel originates outside Canada/United States but payment is made in Canada, the published fare in anything other than Canadian dollars will be converted to Canadian currency at the bankers' buying rate of exchange.
- (5) When travel originates outside Canada/United States but payment is made in the United States, the published fare in anything other than U.S. dollars will be converted to U.S. currency at the bankers' buying rate of exchange.
- (6) When travel originates outside Canada/United States and payment is not made in Canada or the United States, the published fare will be converted to local currency at the bankers' buying rate of exchange.

#### **Rule 30: Classes of Service**

Certain complimentary products and services are offered depending on the class of service or fare brand purchased, such as separate check-in, inflight entertainment, meals, beverages (some alcoholic), etc. The availability of these products and services is not guaranteed.

#### (A) Comfort Class

- (1) The Comfort class section will be located in the area of the aircraft designated by the carrier as Comfort class.
- (2) Separate check-in facilities will be provided for passengers in Comfort class seating where such facilities exist.
- (3) Passengers seated in the Comfort class section will be provided Comfort class service.
- (4) Comfort class services will consist of:
  - lounge access, priority service through security and priority baggage claim at select airports;
  - larger seats with more legroom and moldable headrests;
  - complimentary snacks or meal, depending on the flight duration, and beverages (including wine);
  - USB and power outlets;
  - inflight entertainment (available on the carrier's A320neo, A321neo and A321LR aircraft);
  - internet connection (available on the carrier's A321LR aircraft).

#### (B) Economy Class

- (1) The Economy class section will be located in the area of the aircraft designated by the carrier as Economy class.
- (2) Passengers seated in the Economy class section will, when flight times permit, be provided with in-flight amenities on certain flights such as complimentary snacks and beverages. On certain flights, fees will apply for a range of meals, snacks and alcoholic beverages.

#### **Rule 40: Reservations**

#### (A) General

- (1) A reservation for space on a specific flight is valid when the availability and allocation of the space is entered into the carrier's reservation system, a confirmation number/code is obtained from the carrier which authenticates the reservation, the passenger has paid the appropriate fare, and a ticket has been issued for that space.
- (2) The carrier will only issue a ticket against a valid reservation. Subject to payment or other satisfactory arrangements and passenger compliance with the check-in time limits set out in (D) below, a ticket will be issued to the passenger by the carrier or agent of the carrier indicating that the passenger is holding confirmed space for the flight(s) shown on the ticket. The ticket will only apply between the points named on the ticket and the flight coupons that are presented.
- (3) On any specific flight, the carrier may limit the number of passengers carried at any specific fare. All fares will not necessarily be available on all flights. The number of seats which the carrier shall make available on a specific flight will be determined by the carrier's best judgment as to the anticipated total number of passengers on each flight.
- (4) A passenger who is in possession of an electronic document issued to the passenger by the carrier which entitles the passenger to onward travel, or who wishes to change their reservation for another date, will not be entitled to any preferential right to secure a new reservation.
- (5) For provisions related to the assignment of seats on-board an aircraft for all passengers including children, see Rule 41, Seat assignment for passengers including the seating of children under the age of 14 years.
- (6) For more specific provisions related to the assignment of seats on-board an aircraft for persons with disabilities, see Rule 69(C)(1)(b)-(c).
- (7) For more specific provisions related to making reservations in an accessible manner for persons with disabilities, see Rule 69(C)(3).
- (8) The carrier will not accept a reservation for a child under 5 years of age who will be travelling alone, irrespective of whether the child's parent or guardian wishes to use the carrier's unaccompanied minors (UM) service for their child to travel alone. (see Rule 60, Acceptance of children and Rule 65, Unaccompanied minors)

#### (B) Cancellation of reservations

- (1) The carrier may cancel reservations of any passenger:
  - (a) If circumstances require due to situations within a carrier's control as defined in Rule 1, Definitions and applied in Rule 91, Delays or cancellation – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes or Rule 96, Denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes;
  - (b) If circumstances require due to situations outside a carrier's control as defined in Rule 1, Definitions and applied in Rule 90, Delays or cancellationoutside the carrier's control or Rule 95, Denial of boarding – outside the carrier's control;
  - (c) If circumstances require due to any situation identified in and applied in Rule 105, Refusal to transport; or,
  - (d) When the passenger has failed to meet check-in or boarding gate requirements set out in paragraph (D) below.
- (2) If the carrier cancels a passenger's reservation due to (B)(1)(a) (above), the passenger may be eligible to take advantage of the provisions found in Rule 91, Delays or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes or Rule 96, Denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes.
- (3) If the carrier cancels a passenger's reservation due to (B)(1)(b) (above), the passenger may be eligible to take advantage of the provisions found in Rule 90, delays or cancellation – outside the carrier's control or Rule 95 Denial of boarding – outside the carrier's control.
- (4) If the carrier cancels a passenger's reservation due to (B)(1)(c) (above), the passengers will be treated in accordance with the provisions of Rule 105, Refusal to transport.

#### (C) Passenger's responsibility

(1) The passenger must arrive at the airport with sufficient time to complete check-in, government formalities, security clearance and the departure process while meeting the time limits detailed in (D) below. Flights will not be delayed for passengers who have not completed any of these pre-boarding requirements.

- (2) The passenger should provide the carrier with their preferred means of communication from among means offered by the carrier (for example, email address and/or telephone numbers) when the carrier solicits point of contact information from the passenger in case the carrier must communicate with the passenger prior to their departure or at any point during the passenger's itinerary. The carrier has an obligation to communicate information to its passengers as per Rule 97, Communication of information cancellation, delay, tarmac delay, or denial of boarding.
- (3) It is the responsibility of the passenger to accept receipt of the carrier's emailed schedule change notifications or notifications from the entity through which they booked (eg. travel agent, other carrier, etc) to ensure they are aware of their itinerary and can adjust their plans accordingly as schedules are subject to change.

#### (D) Check-in and Boarding time limits

(1) <u>Recommended check-in time/airport arrival time:</u> To ensure that the passenger has plenty of time to check in, drop off checked baggage and pass through security, it is recommended that the passenger arrive at the airport 150 minutes prior to the scheduled departure time of the flight on which he/she holds a reservation.

Passengers with disabilities who require special assistance and passengers who wish to make a special declaration of interest are recommended to arrive at the airport to check-in 180 minutes prior to the scheduled departure time of their flight.

- (2) <u>Check-in and baggage drop-off deadline</u>: The passenger must have checked in, obtained their boarding pass, and checked all baggage at the baggage drop-off counter no later than 60 minutes prior to the scheduled departure time.
- (3) **Boarding gate closure**: The passenger must be available for boarding at the boarding gate no later than 45 minutes prior to the scheduled departure time.
- (4) If the passenger fails to meet either the check-in/baggage drop off deadline or the boarding gate deadline specified above, the carrier may reassign any pre-reserved seat and/or cancel the reservation of the passenger and/or charge a no-show fee and the carrier may not be able to transport the passenger's baggage.
- (5) The passenger must arrive at the airport with sufficient time to comply with all checkin procedures, complete security screening, comply with all other government requirements and departure processing, and arrive at the gate by the applicable boarding deadline. If the passenger fails to meet any of these requirements, the carrier may reassign a pre-reserved seat and/or cancel the reservation without any

liability towards the passenger for loss or expense due to failure by the passenger to comply with this rule. Any amounts paid for the ticket, including fare, fee, charge, surcharge, and tax paid by passenger(s) are forfeited in the event the passenger(s) fail(s) to meet the check-in cut-off times or boarding cut-off times, and is considered a no show.

# Rule 41: Seat assignment for passengers including the seating of children under the age of 14 years

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling or have purchased.
- (2) Unaccompanied children will be carried pursuant to the provisions of Rule 65, Unaccompanied minors.
- (3) The carrier will not accept a reservation for a child under 5 years of age who will be travelling alone, irrespective of whether the child's parent or guardian wishes to use the carrier's unaccompanied minors (UM) service for their child to travel alone.

#### (B) Seat assignment

(1) The carrier does not guarantee the assignment of any particular space on the aircraft.

#### Advance seat selection

(2) The passenger may pre-select a seat once they have purchased their ticket when booking a fare – in this case, if a passenger is choosing a specific seat, a fee may be assessed based on the conditions of the fare purchased (unless the seat is required to meet a disability related need – see (3) below). Nonetheless, complimentary seat selection is available at the time of check-in.

Route to/from	Economy				Comfort	
Portugal	Simple	Basic	Flex	Тор	Light	Plus
Within Portugal	\$8 / €5 (\$11 / €7) *	\$8 / €5 (\$11 / €7) *	\$8 / €5 (\$11 / €7) *	Free	Free	Free

(a) Advanced Seat Selection per segment for Standard Seat:

Portugal To/From Europe or Africa	\$15 / €10 (\$21 / €14)*	\$15 / €10 (\$21 / €14)*	\$15 / €10 (\$21 / €14)*	Free	Free	Free
Portugal To/From Canada or USA	\$35 / €25 (\$44 / €30)*	\$35 / €25 (\$44 / €30)*	\$35 / €25 (\$44 / €30)*	Free	Free	Free

\* Fee for advanced seat selection made other than through the Azores Airlines website (e.g. through a SATA/Azores Airlines Contact Center, Booking office or a Travel Agency)

(b) Advanced Seat Selection per segment for Extra Legroom Seat:

Route to/from	Economy					Comfort	
Portugal	Simple	Basic	Flex	Тор	Light	Plus	
Within Portugal	\$23 / €15 (\$30 / €20)*	\$23 / €15 (\$30 / €20)*	\$23 / €15 (\$30 / €20)*	Free	Free	Free	
Portugal To/From Europe or Africa	\$38 / €25 (\$45 / €30)*	\$38 / €25 (\$45 / €30)*	\$38 / €25 (\$45 / €30)*	Free	Free	Free	
Portugal To/From Canada or USA	\$75 / €50 (\$90 / €60)*	\$75 / €50 (\$90 / €60)*	\$75 / €50 (\$90 / €60)*	Free	Free	Free	

\* Fee for advanced seat selection made other than through the Azores Airlines website (e.g. through a SATA/Azores Airlines Contact Center, Booking office or a Travel Agency)

- (c) Seat selection fees will be refunded if:
  - (i) the carrier must move the passenger from their pre-paid, pre-selected seat due to an involuntary schedule or airport change or due to safety or operational reasons,
  - (ii) the passenger has purchased an upgrade to Comfort class for the same flight.
  - (iii) the flight for which the passenger reserved a seat is cancelled and the passenger is not re-accommodated in an equivalent seat on the replacement flight.

- (iv) In the event of a change of equipment and the passenger is not reaccommodated in an equivalent seat on the replacement flight
- (3) **Exception:** A person with a disability who requires a specific seat to meet a disability-related need will not be charged a seat selection fee.

For additional obligations on seat assignment for persons with disabilities, including persons who need additional adjacent seating, see Rule 69f(C)(1)(b)-(c), Reservations and online services, and Rule 69(F) – Services for which advance notice is required.

## (C) Assignment of seats to accompanied children under the age of 14 years

- In order to facilitate the assignment of a seat to a child who is under the age of 14 years that is in close proximity to an accompanying person (parent, guardian, or tutor) in accordance with part (D) (below), the carrier will, at no additional charge:
  - (a) assign a seat before check-in to the child that is in close proximity to the accompanying person, or
  - (b) if the carrier does not assign seats prior to check-in, in accordance with paragraph (a), the carrier will:
    - advise passengers before check-in that the carrier will facilitate seat assignment of children in close proximity to an accompanying person at no additional charge at the time of check-in or at the boarding gate,
    - (ii) assign seats at the time of check-in, if possible,
    - (iii) if it is not possible to assign seats at the time of check-in, the carrier will, ask for volunteers to change seats at the time of boarding, and
    - (iv) if it is not possible to assign seats at the time of check-in and no passenger has volunteered to change seats at the time of boarding, the carrier will ask again for volunteers on-board the aircraft to change seats before take-off.

#### (D) Proximity to accompanying person's seat

- (1) The carrier will facilitate, pursuant to the steps outlined in (C) (above), the assignment of a seat to a child who is under the age of 14 years by offering, at no additional charge:
  - (a) in the case of a child who is 4 years of age or younger, a seat that is adjacent to their accompanying person's seat;
  - (b) in the case of a child who is 5 to 11 years of age, a seat that is in the same row as their accompanying person's seat, and that is separated from that accompanying person's seat by no more than one seat; and
  - (c) in the case of a child who is 12 or 13 years of age, a seat that is in a row that is separated from the row of their accompanying person's seat by no more than one row.

#### (E) Difference in price

- If the passenger who is assigned seating in accordance with (D)(1) (above) is seated in a lower class of service than their ticket provides, the carrier will reimburse the price difference between the classes of service.
- (2) If the passenger who is assigned seating in accordance with (D)(1) (above) chooses a seat that is in a higher class of service than their tickets provide, the carrier will request supplementary payment representing the price difference between the classes of service.

#### **Rule 45: Stopovers**

#### (A) General

- (1) Stopovers will be permitted under the following conditions:
  - (a) Stopovers must be arranged with the carrier in advance and specified on the ticket.
  - (b) Specific fare rules may not permit stopovers or may limit the number of stopovers allowed or there may be an additional charge for stopovers based on the fare purchased by the passenger. Refer to the rule applicable to the fare in question for further information.
  - (c) If a portion of a journey is travelled by surface transportation, a stopover will be deemed to have taken place for such transportation.
  - (d) No stopover will have occurred if the passenger departs the connecting point on the date of arrival or if there is no scheduled connecting departure on the date of arrival, the passenger's departure occurs the next day and within 24 hours of arrival at the connecting point.

### **Rule 50: Routings**

#### (A) Application

- (1) A routing is applicable only to the fares which are specifically associated with it.
- (2) A routing may be travelled via any or all of the cities named in the carrier's routing diagram, unless otherwise restricted.
- (3) All or part of the applicable routing may result in non-stop travel.
- (4) An intermediate point(s) specified along the routing may be omitted.
- (5) All routings are applicable in either direction, unless otherwise restricted.
- (6) For those routings permitting choice of carrier for carriage between the same points, only one of those carriers may be used.
- (7) Where no carrier is indicated between two points, travel is limited to SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A.
- (8) If more than one routing is applicable via the same fare, the passenger, and prior to the issuance of the ticket, may specify the routing. If no routing is specified by the passenger, the carrier will determine the routing.

#### **Rule 54: Interline baggage acceptance**

#### Definitions

"airline designator code" means an identification code comprised of two-characters which is used for commercial and traffic purposes such as reservations, schedules, timetables, ticketing, tariffs and airport display systems. Airline designators are assigned by IATA. When this code appears on a ticket, it reflects the carrier that is marketing the flight, which might be different from the carrier operating the flight.

**"baggage rules"** means the conditions associated with the acceptance of baggage, services incidental to the transportation of baggage, allowances and all related charges. For example, baggage rules may address the following topics:

- The maximum weight and dimensions of passenger bags, if applicable, both checked and unchecked;
- The number of checked and unchecked passenger bags that can be transported and the applicable charges;
- Excess and oversized baggage charges;
- Charges related to check-in, collection and delivery of checked baggage;
- Acceptance of and charges related to special items, e.g. surf boards, pets, bicycles;
- Baggage provisions related to prohibited or unacceptable items, including embargoes;
- Terms or conditions that would alter or impact the baggage allowances and charges applicable to passengers (e.g. frequent flyer status, early check-in, prepurchasing baggage allowances with a particular credit card); and,
- Other rules governing treatment of baggage at stopover points, including passengers subject to special baggage allowances or charges.

"down line carrier" means any carrier, other than the selecting carrier, that is identified as providing interline transportation to the passenger by virtue of the passenger's ticket.

"interline agreement" means an agreement between two or more carriers to co-ordinate the transportation of passengers and their baggage from the flight of one air carrier to the flight of another air carrier (through to the next point of stopover).

"interline itinerary" means all flights reflected on a single ticket involving multiple air carriers. Only travel on a single ticket is subject to the Agency's <u>Decision No. 144-A-2014</u> related to <u>Interline Baggage Rules for Canada</u> provided the origin or the ultimate ticketed destination is a point in Canada.

"interline travel" means travel involving multiple air carriers listed on a single ticket that is purchased via a single transaction.

"marketing carrier" means the carrier that sells flights under its code.

**"most significant carrier (MSC)"** is determined by a methodology, established by IATA (Resolution 302), which establishes, for each portion of a passenger's itinerary where baggage is checked through to a new stopover point, which carrier will be performing the most significant part of the service. For travelers under the Resolution 302 system, the baggage rules of the MSC will apply. For complex itineraries involving multiple checked baggage points, there may be more than one MSC, resulting in the application of differing baggage rules through an itinerary.

"most significant carrier (MSC) – IATA Resolution 302 as conditioned by the Agency" means that in this instance, the MSC is determined by applying IATA Resolution 302 methodology as conditioned by the Agency in its <u>Decision No. 144-A-2014</u>. The Agency's reservation has stipulated that only a single set of baggage rules may apply to any given interline itinerary. The aim of the Agency's reservation is to allow the selecting carrier to use the MSC methodology to determine which carrier's baggage rules apply to an international interline itinerary to or from Canada, while reinforcing the role of tariffs in the determination of which carrier's rules apply.

"operating carrier" means the carrier that operates the actual flight.

"participating carrier(s)" includes both the selecting carrier and down line carriers who have been identified as providing interline transportation to the passenger by virtue of the passenger's ticket.

"selected carrier" means the carrier whose baggage rules apply to the entire interline itinerary.

"selecting carrier" means the carrier whose designator code is identified on the first flight segment of the passenger's ticket at the beginning of an interline itinerary issued on a single ticket whose origin or ultimate destination is in Canada.

"single ticket" is a document that permits travel from origin to destination. It may include interline/code-share and intra-line segments. It may also include end-to-end combinations (i.e., stand alone fares that can be bought separately but combined together to form one price).

"summary page at the end of an online purchase" is a page on a carrier's Web site which summarizes the details of a ticket purchase transaction just after the passenger has agreed to purchase the ticket from the carrier and has provided a form of payment.

"ultimate ticketed destination" means in situations where a passenger's origin is a non-Canadian point and the itinerary includes at least one stop in Canada, as well as at least one stop outside of Canada. If the stop in Canada is the farthest checked point and the stop is more than 24 hours, the Agency would consider the ultimate ticketed destination to be Canada.

## (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule is applicable to all interline itineraries issued on a single ticket whose origin or ultimate ticketed destination is in Canada.
- (2) It establishes how the carrier will determine which carrier's baggage rules apply to any passenger's entire interline itinerary.

# (B) General

- (1) For the purposes of interline baggage acceptance:
  - (a) the carrier whose designator code is identified on the first segment of the passenger's interline ticket will be known as the selecting carrier.
  - (b) any carrier who is identified as providing interline transportation to the passenger by virtue of the passenger's ticket will be known as a participating carrier.

#### (C) Baggage rule determination by selecting carrier

#### **Checked baggage**

- (1) The selecting carrier will:
  - (a) Select and apply its own baggage rules as set out in its tariff to the entire interline itinerary.

OR

- (b) Select the MSC, as determined by IATA Resolution 302 as conditioned by the Agency, in order for that carrier's baggage rules, as established in its tariff, to apply to the entire interline itinerary.
- (2) The carrier identified by means of (a) or (b) will be known as the selected carrier.

#### Carry-on baggage

(3) Each operating carrier's carry-on baggage allowances will apply to each flight segment in an interline itinerary. Notwithstanding, the carry-on baggage charges that will apply to the entire interline itinerary will be those of the selected carrier.

#### (D) Baggage rule application by participating carrier

(1) Where the carrier is not the selected carrier on an interline itinerary but is a participating carrier that is providing transportation to the passenger based on the ticket issued, the carrier will apply as its own the baggage rules of the selected carrier throughout the interline itinerary.

## (E) Disclosure of baggage rules

#### Summary page at the end of an online purchase and e-ticket disclosure

- (1) For baggage rules provisions related to a passenger's 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> checked bag and the passenger's carry-on baggage (i.e., the passenger's "standard" baggage allowance), when the carrier sells and issues a ticket for an interline itinerary, it will disclose to the passenger on any summary page at the end of an online purchase and on the passenger's itinerary/receipt and e-ticket at the time of ticketing the baggage information relevant to the passenger itinerary as set out in paragraph (2) below. The disclosed information will reflect the baggage rules of the selected carrier.
- (2) The carrier will disclose the following information:
  - (a) name of the carrier whose baggage rules apply;
  - (b) passenger's free baggage allowance and/or applicable fees;
  - (c) size and weight limits of the bags, if applicable;
  - (d) terms or conditions that would alter or impact a passenger's standard baggage allowances and charges (e.g. frequent flyer status, early check-in, pre-purchasing baggage allowances with a particular credit card);
  - (e) existence of any embargoes that may be applicable to the passenger's itinerary; and,
  - (f) application of baggage allowances and charges (i.e., whether they are applied once per direction or if they are applicable at each stopover point).

(3) The carrier will provide this information in text format on the passenger's e-ticket confirmation. Any fee information provided for carry-on bags and the first and second checked bag will be expressed as specific charges (i.e., not a range).

#### Web site disclosure

- (4) The carrier will disclose on its Web site, in a convenient and prominent location, a complete and comprehensive summary of all of the carrier's own baggage rules, including information concerning:
  - (a) The maximum weight and dimensions of passenger bags, if applicable, both checked and unchecked;
  - (b) The number of checked and unchecked passenger bags that can be transported and the applicable charges;
  - (c) Excess and oversized baggage charges;
  - (d) Charges related to check in, collection and delivery of checked baggage;
  - (e) Acceptance of and charges related to special items, e.g. surf boards, pets, bicycles;
  - (f) Baggage provisions related to prohibited or unacceptable items, including embargoes;
  - (g) Terms or conditions that would alter or impact the baggage allowances and charges applicable to passengers (e.g. frequent flyer status, early check in, pre-purchasing baggage allowances with a particular credit card); and,
  - (h) Other rules governing treatment of baggage at stopover points, including passengers subject to special baggage allowances or charges.

# Rule 55: Baggage acceptance

# (A) Applicability

(1) This Rule only applies to flights operated by SATA Internacional – Azores Airlines, S.A. ("the carrier") for single carrier (i.e. online) transportation of baggage and interline transportation of baggage where the carrier is selected to apply its own baggage rules to an entire interline itinerary.

# (B) General conditions of acceptance of checked and unchecked baggage

The carrier will accept for transportation as baggage, any good that is necessary or appropriate for the wear, use, comfort, or convenience of the passenger for the purpose of the trip, subject to the following:

- (1) Checked baggage.
  - (a) Once the carrier takes possession of the passenger's checked baggage, the carrier will issue a baggage identification tag for each piece of checked baggage. A portion of this tag will be provided to the passenger and each bag will be affixed with the corresponding remaining portion of the tag.
  - (b) Subject to the provisions of this tariff related to mobility aids and musical instruments, checked baggage will be carried on the same aircraft as the passenger unless the baggage is delayed or the carrier decides that it is impractical to carry the baggage on the same aircraft.

**Note:** For additional provisions related to the transportation of assistive devices for persons with disabilities, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices.

**Note:** For additional provisions related to the transportation of musical instruments, refer to Rule 56(E), Acceptance of Musical Instruments as Baggage.

- (2) Unchecked baggage (carry-on baggage)
  - (a) Unchecked baggage must be within the carrier's size and weight limits to be taken **on-board the aircraft**.

(b) Unchecked baggage must fit under the seat located in front of the passenger or in the enclosed storage compartment in the passenger cabin of the aircraft.

**Note**: This provision does not apply to assistive devices for persons with disabilities. For provisions related to the transportation of assistive devices for persons with disabilities, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices.

- (c) Objects which are not suitable for carriage as checked baggage (e.g. fragile objects, such as works of art, electronic devices, objects made of glass or ceramic, etc) will only be accepted for transportation in the passenger cabin of the aircraft if advance notice is given to the carrier and the carrier agrees to carry the object. Passengers should contact the carrier or review its Web site for more information about which specific objects are not suitable for carriage as checked baggage and will only be accepted for transportation in the passenger cabin of the aircraft upon prior agreement with the carrier.
  - i. For any such objects that are accepted by the carrier for transportation in the passenger cabin and that do not exceed the passenger's carryon allowances, no additional fees will apply.
  - ii. For any such objects that are accepted by the carrier for transportation in the passenger cabin and where (i) does not apply, an extra seat for the carry-on baggage (CBBG) can be reserved, subject to the following:
    - The additional seat for CBBG must be booked in the same fare class as the passenger;
    - Any applicable change fees shall be collected for the additional seat for CBBG;
    - The maximum size permitted of the CBBG (length + width + height) must not exceed 33 cm/12 in 43 cm/ 17 in 115 cm/ 45 in; and
    - The maximum allowable weight shall be 75 kg per seat

**Note**: This does not apply to the carriage of musical instruments (See Rule 56 (E), Acceptance of musical instruments as baggage)

#### (C) Baggage allowance

(1) The passenger is entitled to carry free of charge checked and unchecked baggage as specified and subject to the conditions and limitations set out in the charts below.

#### Checked baggage.

Type of service	Maximum number of bags permitted	Weight per bag
Comfort class -Plus	2	32Kg (71lbs)
Comfort class -light	2	23Kg (50lbs)
Economy class (Top)	2	23Kg (50lbs)
Economy class (Flex or Basic)	1	23Kg (50lbs)
Economy class (Simple)	No free checked bag allowance	n/a

**Note:** Infants for whom no seat reservation is made have a free checked baggage allowance of 1 bag with a maximum weight of 23kg (50 lbs) when travelling with a passenger with a reservation in all fare classes except Economy, Simple.

**Note:** In addition to the checked baggage allowance associated with the fare class purchased, Goldsky members are entitled to carry free of charge one additional checked bag with a maximum weight of 23kg (50 lbs), except Economy, Simple.

#### Unchecked baggage (carry-on baggage)

Type of service	Maximum number of bags permitted	Weight per bag	Dimension per bag	Fees
Comfort class (Plus)	1	15kg*	115 cm (45 in) 55cmsX40cmsX20cms	Free
Comfort (Light)	1	8kg	115 cm (45 in) 55cmsX40cmsX20cms	Free

Economy class (Simple, Basic, Flex, Top)	1 8kg	115 cm (45 in) 55cmsX40cmsX20cms	Free
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\*Note: Passengers who have purchased a ticket in business class and have connections to/from SATA Air Açores flights, the maximum weight allowed for carry-on baggage is 13 Kg / 28 lbs on SATA Air Açores flights.

- (2) The carrier will accept for transportation assistive devices for persons with disabilities in addition to the baggage allowances set out in the charts above at no additional charge to the person. For provisions related to the transportation of assistive devices for persons with disabilities, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices.
- (3) If a passenger exceeds the maximum number of bags permitted and/or the maximum weight allowed for each bag or the maximum dimensions permitted for each checked or carry-on bag in the chart in (1) above, the passenger will be subject to the excess baggage charges set out in the chart in (E) below.
- (4) The passenger's name and contact information must appear on the baggage. It is recommended that the name and contact information also be included inside the baggage.

## (D) Collection and delivery of baggage

- (1) The passenger has the right to retrieve their baggage without delay.
- (2) Only the passenger who was given a baggage identification tag when the carrier took possession of the baggage is entitled to accept delivery of the baggage.
- (3) If the passenger claiming the checked baggage is unable to produce their portion of the baggage identification tag and identify the baggage by means of its baggage identification tag, the carrier must receive satisfactory proof that the baggage belongs to the passenger in question before delivering the baggage to the passenger.
- (4) Acceptance of the baggage without complaint, within the time limits stipulated in Rule 121(C), Liability – international transportation, by the passenger in possession of the baggage identification tag is evidence that the carrier delivered the baggage in good condition and in accordance with this tariff.

#### (E) Excess baggage

(1) Baggage in excess of the free baggage allowance will be accepted by the carrier upon payment of the applicable charge. The charge for the excess baggage is payable prior to departure at the point of check-in.

**Note:** This provision does not apply to assistive devices for persons with disabilities. For provisions related to the transportation of assistive devices for persons with disabilities, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices.

#### **Excess baggage fees**

Excess baggage	Fees (per item)
Extra baggage item (according to passenger's bag allowance)	\$169 / €100
Excess weight per item (up to 32kg/70lbs)	\$190 / €130
Pets in the hold	
Weighing up to 23kg (50lbs) (including container)	\$120/€75
Weighing between 23kg (50lbs) and 32kg (70lbs) (including container)	\$155 / €100
Weighing between 32kg (70lbs) and 45kg (100lbs) (including container)	\$235 / €150
Dogs weighing over 45kg (100lbs)	\$390 / €240
Sports equipment	

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Bodyboard / Wakeboard / Skim board / Surfboard / Kite Surfboard	\$90 / €55
Longboard / Windsurf board	\$120/€75
Fishing equipment	\$90 / \$55
Bicycle	\$90 / €55
Tandem bicycle	\$120/€75
Ski / snowboard equipment	\$90 / €55
Golf equipment	\$65 / €40
Diving / canyoning equipment	\$90 / €55
Kayak	\$120 / €75
Paraglider / Delta plane / Hang glider	\$120 / €75
Pole vault	\$120 / €75
Other sports equipment	\$120 / €75
Musical instruments	
Weighing up to 23kg (50lbs)	\$120 / €75
Weighing between 23kg (50lbs) and 32kg (70lbs)	\$155 / €100

Weighing between 32kg (70lbs) and 45kg (100lbs)	\$235 / €150
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**Note:** If the passenger's free checked baggage allowance is not exceeded, no additional charges will be applied for the transport of sports equipment, musical instruments, or pets in the hold. Otherwise, the special service fees above will be applied.

**Note**: For flights with high occupancy, the number of excess baggage pieces accepted for a flight may be limited to one (1) bag per passenger.

#### (F) Excess value declaration charge

(1) The passenger may declare a value in excess of the applicable liability limits for the checked baggage by completing a special declaration of interest and paying any excess value charges to the carrier prior to departure the point of check-in at the rate as follows: The total value of the excess to be declared cannot exceed \$3500 CAD and a fee of 10% of the declared value will be applied.

**Note:** The special declaration of interest is set out in Article 22(2) of the Montreal Convention, which provides the carrier an opportunity to establish a mechanism for allowing passengers to declare excess baggage value for checked baggage.

**Note:** An excess value declaration charge does not apply to assistive devices for persons with disabilities. For provisions related to the transportation of assistive devices for persons with disabilities, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of Mobility aids and other assistive devices.

#### (G) Items unacceptable as baggage

- (1) The following items are unacceptable as baggage and will not be transported by the carrier:
  - (a) Items which are forbidden to be carried by the applicable laws, regulations, or orders of any country to be flown from, to, or over.
  - (b) Items which are likely to endanger the aircraft or persons or property on-board the aircraft. These unacceptable items are specified in the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of

Dangerous Goods by Air and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations.

(c) Items, which in the carrier's opinion, are unsuitable for carriage because of their weight, size or character, for example, fragile or perishable items.

**Note**: Not applicable to assistive devices for persons with disabilities. For limitations on the carriage of mobility aids, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices.

**Note:** Not applicable to musical instruments. For limitations on the carriage of musical instruments, refer to Rule 56(B), (C) and (E), Acceptance of musical instruments as baggage.

(d) Live animals except as provided in Rule 75, Acceptance of animals (pets and search and rescue dogs).

**Note**: Not applicable to service dogs. For limitations on the carriage of service dogs, refer to Rule 69(H), Acceptance of service dogs.

- (2) Weapons such as swords, knives and other similar items may be accepted as checked baggage at the carrier's discretion, provided they are suitably packed.
- (3) Fragile or perishable items, money, jewellery, precious metals, silverware, negotiable papers, securities or other valuables, business documents, samples, passports, and other identification documents are unacceptable for transportation as checked baggage and will only be transported as carry-on baggage if retained in the passenger's possession.
- (4) Carriage of sports equipment as checked baggage:
  - (a) Sports equipment is treated like any other baggage and is included in the passenger's free baggage allowance if the applicable limitations with respect to number of pieces, maximum dimensions and weight are not exceeded. Otherwise, the excess baggage fees set out above apply.
  - (b) Additional terms, conditions and requirements, including maximum dimensions, applicable to particular categories of sports equipment are set out below:

Type of Maximum Equipment Dimensions	Conditions
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Fishing equipment	L 240 cm x W 40 cm x H 50 cm	-	Must be packed in a single container. The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.
Golf equipment	L 130 cm x W 75 cm x H 75 cm	-	Must be packed in a single container. The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.
Bicycle	L 240 cm x W 60 cm x H 100 cm	-	The handlebars must be rotated 90 degrees from original position and secured to bicycle frame. Pedals must be removed. Must be packed in a single box/container. It is recommended that tires be deflated. Any air suspensions or shock absorbers must be deflated or depressurized. The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.
Diving equipment	L 150 cm x W 75 cm x H 50 cm	-	Must be packed in a single box/container. The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.
Canyoning equipment	L 150 cm x W 75 cm x H 50 cm	-	Must be packed in a single box/container. The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.

Paraglider / Deltaplane / Hang glider	L 240 cm x W 60 cm x H 50 cm	<ul> <li>Must be packed in a single box/container.</li> <li>The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.</li> </ul>
Boards / Kayaks	L 240 cm x W 60 cm x H 50 cm	<ul> <li>Must be packed in a single box/container.</li> <li>The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.</li> </ul>
Horseback riding equipment	L 80 cm x W 75 cm x H 75 cm	<ul> <li>Must be packed in a single box/container.</li> <li>The passenger is responsible for proper packaging to ensure the contents can withstand the normal conditions of transporting fragile luggage.</li> </ul>

(c) Arrangements for the carriage of sports equipment should be made at the time of booking or at least 24 hours before the scheduled time of departure. If a prereservation for the carriage of sports equipment is not made in advance of the date of travel, sports equipment may be accepted on a standby basis and subject to flight and space availability. In this case, if the sports equipment is transported on a later flight, is the passenger is solely responsible for its collection after its arrival.

#### (H) Right to refuse carriage of baggage

**Note:** This provision does not apply to assistive devices for persons with disabilities. For limitations on the carriage of mobility aids, refer to Rule 69(G), Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices.

**Note:** This provision does not apply to musical instruments. For limitations on the carriage of musical instruments, refer to Rule 56(B), (C) and (E), Acceptance of musical instruments as baggage.

(1) The carrier will refuse to carry as checked baggage any bag that the carrier has discovered to contain any unacceptable item mentioned in (G) above and when the

passenger fails to provide the carrier with prior notice that they wish to carry such an item in their baggage.

- (2) Unless advance arrangements have been made with the carrier, the carrier may carry on later flights baggage which is in excess of the free baggage allowance.
- (3) The carrier will refuse to carry checked baggage if it determines that the baggage has not been properly and securely packed in suitable suitcases or containers.

#### (I) Right of search

(1) The carrier may request the passenger to permit a search to be conducted of their person and baggage. The carrier may search baggage in the passenger's absence. The purpose of any search is to ensure aircraft and passenger safety, security and to determine whether the passenger is in possession of, or the baggage contains, items mentioned in (G) above or any arms or ammunition which have not been presented to the carrier. If the passenger refuses to comply with the request for search, the carrier may refuse to carry the passenger and/or their baggage.

# Rule 56: Acceptance of musical instruments as baggage

# (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers travelling with musical instruments irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling or have purchased.
- (2) In case of damage, loss or delay of musical instruments, the limits of liability for baggage as found in Rule 121, Liability international transportation in keeping with the applicable Convention will apply.

#### (B) Small musical instruments as carry-on baggage

- (1) The carrier will permit a passenger to bring on-board the aircraft cabin a small musical instrument, such as a violin or flute, as part of passenger's carry-on baggage allowance according to the number and size dimensions set out in Rule 55, Baggage acceptance, if:
  - (a) the instrument can be stowed safely in a suitable baggage compartment in the aircraft cabin or under the passenger seat, in accordance with the carrier's requirements for carriage of carry-on baggage; and,
  - (b) there is space for such stowage at the time the passenger boards the aircraft.

# (C) Musical instruments as carry-on baggage (cabin seat baggage)

- (1) The carrier will permit a passenger to bring on-board the aircraft cabin, and be transported as cabin seat baggage, a musical instrument if:
  - (a) the instrument is contained in a case or covered so as to avoid injury to other passengers;
  - (b) the instrument does not exceed the stipulated dimensions (55x40x20cm / total 115cm (45 inches)) or weight (8kg/17lb);

**Note:** If these dimensions are exceeded, musical instruments will have to be transported in the hold, properly packaged in a hard-shell case for appropriate

protection, or transported in the cabin by acquiring an extra seat. The type of instrument, weight and dimensions must be informed when booked, which will be subject to further confirmation.

- (c) the instrument can be stowed safely and securely in accordance with the carrier's requirements;
- (d) neither the instrument nor the case contains any object not otherwise permitted to be carried in an aircraft cabin; and,
- (e) the passenger wishing to carry the instrument in the aircraft cabin has purchased an additional seat to accommodate the instrument.
- (2) Musical instruments too large for the cabin may be carried as checked baggage. (See(E) below)

# (D) Carrier unable to carry musical instruments in cabin due to substitution of aircraft

- (1) If, due to substitution of aircraft, there is insufficient space to safely stow the musical instrument in the cabin, the carrier will offer, at no additional charge:
  - (a) to carry the instrument as cabin seat baggage, if space on-board and the nature of the instrument allows it; or alternatively
  - (b) to accept the instrument as checked baggage
- (2) If neither (1)(a) nor (b) are satisfactory, the carrier will offer the passenger rerouting options, at no additional charge, and if no rerouting options are satisfactory, the carrier will involuntarily refund the passenger pursuant to Rule 125(B).

#### (E) Musical instruments as checked baggage

- (1) The carrier will permit a passenger to transport as checked baggage a musical instrument that cannot be carried in the aircraft cabin if;
  - (a) the length, width, and height of the outside linear dimensions of the instrument (including the case) does not exceed 140 cm/55 in 85 cm / 33 in 65 cm / 25 in or the applicable size restrictions established for the aircraft;
  - (b) the weight of the instrument (including the case) does not exceed 45 kilograms (99lbs) or the applicable weight restrictions established for the aircraft;

- (c) the instrument can be stowed safely and securely in accordance with the carrier's requirements; and
- (d) the passenger has paid the applicable checked and/or excess baggage fee see Rule 55(E).
- (2) A passenger has the option of checking suitable musical instruments if all applicable fees are paid.
- (3) Musical instruments carried as checked baggage will be carried on the same aircraft as the passenger unless the baggage is delayed or the carrier decides that it is impractical to carry the baggage on the same aircraft. This will also include cases of substitution of aircraft. In case of baggage delay, the carrier will take necessary steps to inform the passenger of the status of the baggage and arrange to deliver the musical instrument to the passenger as soon as possible unless applicable laws require the presence of the passenger for customs clearance.
- (4) Delicate musical instruments are not suitable for carriage as checked baggage. Passengers should contact the carrier or review its Web site for more information about which musical instruments are not suitable for carriage.
- (5) The passenger may make a special declaration that their checked musical instrument has a higher value than the carrier's maximum liability. If the passenger does so, then the passenger must make this declaration to the carrier at the time of check-in and, if required by the carrier, shall, as per Rule 55(F), Excess value declaration charge, pay the supplementary charge to allow for additional liability coverage in the case of destruction, loss, damage or delay of their musical instrument.

**Exception**: The carrier is not liable for the declared amount if it can prove that it is greater than the passenger's actual interest in delivery at destination.

# PartIIIAt the airportduring travel

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# **Rule 60: Acceptance of children for travel**

## (A) General

- (1) Persons entrusted with the care of infants and children must be capable of discharging this duty.
- (2) Minors under the age of 5 years may only travel if they are accompanied by a parent or a passenger aged 18 years or older seated in close proximity to them in the same cabin.
- (3) Minors aged 5 to 11 years may only travel if they are accompanied by a passenger aged 18 years or older seated in close proximity to them in the same cabin or by using the carrier's unaccompanied minor service for children ages 5 and up who are travelling alone. (See Rule 65, Unaccompanied minors).

#### Infants

- (4) Infants under two years of age on the date of travel do not require a seat but do require a ticket.
- (5) Infants under 2 years of age can either be lap-held or placed in a seat adjacent to the accompanying passenger in an approved child restraint system.
- (6) The fare for lap-held infants will be 10 per cent of the applicable adult fare.
- (7) If it is desired that the infant secure a seat, a ticket must be purchased for that infant at the applicable adult fare and the infant must be properly secured in an approved child restraint device.
- (8) An infant must be held on the lap by an accompanying adult passenger for the duration of the flight. Only one infant under the age of two years may be held in the lap of an accompanying passenger 15 years of age or older. For clarity, where the accompanying passenger holding the infant is 15 years or older but under 18 years, the infant must be also accompanied by a parent or a passenger aged 18 years or older seated in close proximity in the same cabin.

- (9) No single passenger shall be responsible for more than one infant whether the infant is held on the lap of an accompanying passenger, or a seat has been purchased for the infant and the infant is secured in an approved child restraint system (car seat).
- (10) An infant under two years of age at the time of departure but reaching their second birthday during the continuing/return flight(s) will require a seat and must pay the applicable fare for the continuing/return flight(s).
- (11)Infants under two years of age occupying a seat must be properly secured in a Transport Canada or United States Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approved child restraint device.

#### Children

- (12) All children, two years of age or older, must be ticketed and assigned a seat.
- (13) All children, 12 years of age or older, will be able to travel unaccompanied without supervision and will be considered to be an adult for fare purposes.

#### (B) Documentation

(1) All children who are passengers, whether traveling accompanied by a parent, guardian, or tutor or unaccompanied, must be in possession of the required documentation which is applicable to the points which they will be flying to, from and between.

For all international transportation, in addition to the above, the carrier may require presentation of the following documents when children are travelling by air:

- (a) Passport;
- (b) Documents establishing legal custody;
- (c) Consent letter authorizing travel (e.g. when child is taking a trip alone or with only one parent);
- (d) Supporting identification, such as a birth certificate or citizenship card;
- (e) Other legal documents, such as divorce papers, custody court orders or a death certificate (if one parent is deceased);
- (f) Any other documentation required for entry into or travel via the countries on their itinerary. Passengers should verify with the nearest embassy or consulate of each country to be visited about additional entry requirements and check for other laws and regulations affecting children.

### (C) Unaccompanied minors

For complete details on minors travelling unaccompanied, refer to Rule 65, Unaccompanied minors.

# **Rule 65: Unaccompanied minors**

#### (A) Age restrictions

- (1) Minors not accompanied in the same cabin by another passenger who is 18 years of age or older are only accepted for transportation provided they are between the ages of 12 and 17 years (inclusive) at the time of travel, subject to the below.
- (2) Minors between the ages of 5 and 11 years (inclusive) may travel unaccompanied provided that the Unaccompanied Minor service ("UM service") is purchased.
- (3) The UM service is available but optional for passengers between the ages of 12 and 17.
- (4) Minors younger than 5 years of age are not eligible to use the UM service and must always be accompanied by their parent or a person who is at least 18 years old when travelling.

#### (B) Travel restrictions

- (1) The UM service is available on:
  - (a) non-stop flights operated by SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A.; or
  - (b) direct flights operated by SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A. (a direct flight makes a stop but there is no change of aircraft);
  - (c) on transit or transfer flights operated by SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A., only if satisfactory evidence is provided to the carrier that the minor will be met by another parent/guardian or other responsible adult person to supervise and be responsible for the minor at the connections points.

**Note**: If the designated person **is not present and cannot be contacted**, the UM will be sent to the origin station on the first available SATA Group flight. All the necessary arrangements will be made, regarding the UM protection and welfare and all the expenses involved will be debited to the parents or responsible person.

## (C) Fares and charges

- (1) Unaccompanied minors travelling on the UM service provided by the carrier will be subject to a service charge.
- (2) A charge of \$150 CAD per minor, in each direction, will be applied for using the UM service.
- (3) When two or more minors are traveling together and are siblings only one UM service charge in each direction will apply.
- (4) In case **UM service** is cancelled Carrier **will refund** the fare.

#### (D) Conditions of application for unaccompanied minors

- (1) Arrangements and registration for the **UM service** must be made at least **48 hours** prior to departure with the carrier.
- (2) The minor must be brought to the airport of departure by a parent/guardian who must remain with the minor until the carrier starts providing supervision. The parent/guardian must complete all the required documents which include providing the carrier with satisfactory evidence that the minor will be met by another parent/guardian or other responsible adult person showing photo identification to confirm their identity at the airport of arrival.
- (3) The parent/guardian or other responsible adult person who will be meeting the unaccompanied minor at the destination airport must have photo identification which will allow the carrier personnel to identify this person as the appropriate person designated to meet the minor.
- (4) The parent/guardian will be required to remain at the airport of departure until the aircraft has departed. The parent/guardian must provide the carrier with the name and phone number of a person who can be contacted in case of emergency during the time the minor is in the carrier's care.
- (5) Unaccompanied minors aged 5 through 11 years old will not be accepted if the flight on which the minor holds a reservation is expected to terminate short of or bypass the minor's destination.
- (6) Once the minor is under the carrier's care, the minor will be provided supervision by the carrier until they are met at destination by a designated parent/guardian or other responsible adult person who can confirm to carrier personnel by means of legal photo identification that they are the person(s) designated to meet the minor.

- (7) Confirmed reservations are required to use the UM service; standby travel is not permitted.
- (8) A minor with a medical condition or a minor with a disability may not be accepted for travel using the UM service. Medical information and/or documents (for example, a medical certificate) may be required for any UM service to be offered to a minor with a medical condition or a disability.

#### (E) Carrier's responsibility

Other than the service specifically provided to an unaccompanied minor in this rule, the carrier will not assume any financial or guardianship responsibilities for unaccompanied minors beyond those applicable to an adult passenger.

# Rule 69: Carriage of persons with disabilities – Large Carrier ATPDR

# (A) Application

(1) This rule applies to the transportation of persons with disabilities by SATA Internacional - Azores Airlines, S.A., which is a Large Carrier ATPDR on its international transportation services, on flights it operates to or from points in Canada.

#### (B) Acceptance for carriage

- (1) The carrier will accept the determination made by or on behalf of a person with a disability as to self-reliance, unless doing so would impose undue hardship on the carrier, for example if it would jeopardize security, public health or public safety.
- (2) The carrier will not refuse to transport a person with a disability unless the transportation of the person would impose an undue hardship on the carrier, for example, if it would jeopardize security, public health or public safety.
- (3) If the carrier refuses to transport a person with a disability for reasons related to their disability, it will, at the time of the refusal, inform the person of the reasons for the refusal. In addition, within 10 days of the refusal, the carrier will provide the person with a written notice setting out the reasons for the refusal including:
  - (a) the evidence of undue hardship, such as a medical report, an expert opinion, or an engineering report that demonstrates that the risk is significant enough that it would be unreasonable to waive or modify a requirement;
  - (b) any relevant rule, policy, procedure or regulation; and,
  - (c) the duration of the refusal and the conditions, if any, under which the carrier would accept the person for transport.

**See also:** Rule 105(B), Refusal to transport, removal of passenger and Rule 105(B)(1)(f)(iv), Refusal to transport, passenger's condition, medical clearance.

# (C) Reservations – information about services and seating assignments

- (1) If a person with a disability identifies the nature of their disability when making a reservation with a carrier, the carrier will:
  - (a) discuss with the person their needs in relation to their disability and the services offered by the carrier in relation to those needs;
  - (b) before assigning a passenger seat to a person with a disability, inform the person of the passenger seats that are available in the class of service that the person has requested and that have equipment and facilities that best meet the accessibility needs of that person, such as a wheelchair-accessible washroom or a passenger seat that has additional leg room, a larger seat pitch or movable armrests; and
  - (c) in assigning a passenger seat to a person with a disability, take into account the person's opinion with respect to which seats would best meet the accessibility needs of that person.
- (2) The carrier will advise the person if information and/or documents are required to permit the carrier to assess any request for service, as per (F)(3) below. The carrier will also advise the person that the information and/or documents must be filed within 48 hours and that the assessment of the request may take up to 2 business days after receipt of the information and/or documents.
- (3) As an alternative to using its website to make or modify a reservation, the carrier will offer to a person with a disability with the following means of communication:
  - (a) **Email:** <u>accessibility@sata.pt</u>
  - (b) **Phone Contact Center:**

Toll-Free from Canada and USA:	1-800-762-9995
From Portugal:	296 209 720
International:	(+351) 296 209 720

(Call to the Portuguese national fixed network. The cost of communication depends on the tariff agreed with your operator.)

#### (D) Written confirmation of services

- (4) The carrier will, without delay, indicate in the record of a person's travel reservation the services that the carrier will provide to the person.
- (5) The carrier will include a written confirmation of the services in the itinerary that is issued to the person.
- (6) If a service is confirmed only after the itinerary is issued, the carrier will, without delay, provide a written confirmation of the service.

#### (E) Services for which no advance notice is required

- (1) The services identified in (3) below will be provided at no additional fare or charge.
- (2) The carrier will not require a person with a disability to file information and/or documents, including medical certificates, to support any request for services identified in (3) below.

#### Services – no advance notice

- (3) Regardless of when a person with a disability makes the request for the following services, the carrier will:
  - (a) Assist the person with checking in at the check-in counter;
  - (b) Permit the person, if they are unable to use an automated self-service kiosk or other automated check-in or ticketing process, to advance to the front of the line at a check-in counter or ticket counter;
  - (c) If the person is in a wheelchair, a boarding chair or any other device in which they are not independently mobile while waiting at a terminal for departure after check-in or in order to transfer to another segment of their trip, provide the person with a place to wait that is close to personnel who are available to provide assistance to the person and who will periodically inquire about the person's needs, and attend to those needs;
  - (d) Assist the person in storing and retrieving their carry-on baggage;
  - (e) In the case of a person who is blind or has any other visual impairment,
    - (i) describe to the person, before departure or, if impossible because of time constraints, after departure, the layout of the aircraft, including

the location of washrooms and exits, and the location and operation of any operating controls at the person's passenger seat;

- (ii) describe to the person, if a meal is offered on-board, all the food and beverages that are offered for consumption or provide a menu in large print or in Braille;
- (f) Assist the person in accessing any entertainment content that is offered onboard an aircraft;
- (g) Before departure, provide the person with an individualized safety briefing and demonstration;
- (h) Assist the person in moving between their passenger seat and a washroom;

(i) Permit a person to use the washroom that has the most amount of space, regardless of where the washroom is located in any part of the aircraft, if the person needs an on-board wheelchair or the assistance of a support person or service dog to use a washroom;

(j) If a meal is served on-board to the person, assist the person with the meal by opening packages, identifying food items and their location and cutting large food portions; and

(k) If a person is unable to use the call button to request assistance, periodically inquire about the person's needs.

#### (F) Services for which advance notice is required

(1) The services identified in (3) below will be provided at no additional fare or charge, except for (3)(b), the provision of an adjacent seat, for which the carrier will require an additional fare to be purchased.

#### **Every reasonable effort**

(2) In all instances, the carrier will make every reasonable effort to provide a service requested by a person with a disability even if the person does not comply with any requirement in this section, to provide advance notice or to provide information and/or documents to permit the carrier to assess the request.

#### Services – 48 hours advance notice

(3) Subject to the carrier's requirement for the person with a disability to provide information and/or documents, the carrier will provide the following services if

requested by a person with a disability at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled time of departure of the person's flight:

- (a) Assign a passenger seat to a person with a disability, taking into account the person's opinion with respect to which seats would best meet the accessibility needs of that person;
- (b) Provide additional adjacent seats, meaning seats which are next to the seat of the person with a disability, in the following three situations:
  - (i) When the person with a disability must travel with a support person for transport if, because of the nature of their disability, the person with a disability, after departure and before arrival, needs:
    - (A) assistance with eating meals, taking medication, using the washroom;
    - (B) assistance with transferring to and from a passenger seat;
    - (C) assistance with orientation or communication; or
    - (D) physical assistance in the event of an emergency, including in the case of an evacuation or decompression;

(ii)When the size of a service dog belonging to a person with a disability is such that the person's seat does not provide sufficient floor space for the dog to lie down at the person's feet in a manner that ensures the safety and well-being of the dog and the person; or

(iii) When a person with a disability needs more than one seat because of the nature of their disability, for example, if they are a person who has a fused leg or who is disabled by severe obesity;

- (c) Accept for transportation a mobility aid and/or other assistive device, as per section (G) below;
- (d) Accept for transportation a service dog, as per section (H) below;
- (e) Provide access to on-board medical oxygen supply;
- (f) Assist the person in proceeding to the boarding area after check-in;
- (g) Assist the person in proceeding through any security screening process at the terminal, including by
  - (i) providing personnel to assist the person through the process, or

- (ii) collaborating with the relevant security authority to permit a person who is not travelling with the person with a disability to have access to the security screening checkpoint so that they may assist the person with a disability to proceed through the process;
- (h) Before boarding, transfer the person between the person's own mobility aid and a mobility aid provided by the carrier;
- (i) Permit the person to board in advance of other passengers if:
  - A. the person requests assistance with boarding, locating their passenger seat or cabin, transferring between a mobility aid and their passenger seat or storing carry-on baggage;
  - B. in the case where the person is blind or has any other visual impairment, the person requests a description of the layout of the aircraft, or of the location and operation of operating controls at the person's passenger seat; or,
  - C. in the case where the person is disabled due to a severe allergy, the person requests to clean their passenger seat to remove any potential allergens;

**Note:** If the person has requested the assistance in A. or B. above, the carrier may require the person to board in advance of other passengers or, if they arrive at the boarding area after priority boarding, to board after the other passengers.

- (j) Assist the person in boarding and disembarking;
- (k) Before departure and on arrival at the destination, transfer the person between a mobility aid and the person's passenger seat;
- Establish a buffer zone around the passenger seat of a person who has a disability due to a severe allergy by providing the person with a passenger seat that is in a bank of seats other than the bank of seats in which the source of the allergen is located;

**Note:** For more information on allergies, please refer to the Canadian Transportation Agency's <u>Severe allergies: A Guide</u>.

- (m) Ensure that any public announcement that is made on-board is made in an audio format or a visual format that is accessible to a person with a disability;
- (n) Assist the person in proceeding through border clearance (immigration and customs);

- (o) Assist the person in retrieving their checked baggage;
- (p) Assist the person, after disembarkation, in proceeding to the general public area;
- (q) Assist the person, after disembarkation, in proceeding to a location where the person may receive assistance from either
  - (i) a member of the terminal operator's personnel to proceed to the curbside zone, or
  - (ii) a member of the receiving carrier's personnel to transfer to another segment of their trip within the same airport.

# Services – information and/or documents required to be filed with the carrier

- (4) The carrier may require the person to file any information and/or documents, including a medical certificate, that are reasonably necessary to permit the carrier to assess the person's request for a service noted below:
  - (a) Provision of on-board medical oxygen supply;
  - (b) for use on-board medical portable eletronic device;
  - (c) for the transportation of a certificated service dog;
  - (d) for severe allergy.
- (5) Notwithstanding (4) above, the carrier retains the right to require information and/or documents to assess any other requests for services to be provided to, as well as to substantiate the fitness to travel of persons with disabilities, with the exception of those services identified in (E)(3) above.
- (6) Where the carrier requires the person to file information and/or documents for a request for services identified in (4) above, they must be filed with the carrier at least 48 hours, including one full business day, prior to the scheduled time of departure of the person's flight to ensure that the carrier has sufficient time to assess the request.
- (7) The carrier may not provide the services identified in (3) and (4) above if the carrier has required the person to file information and/or documents and:

- (a) Any of the conditions referred to in (5) or (6) above are not met or the information and/or documents provided are not reasonably sufficient to permit the carrier to assess the request.
- (b) The request has not been made 96 hours in advance of travel, and
- (c) The carrier has made every reasonable effort to provide the service but cannot do so.

#### (G) Acceptance of mobility aids and other assistive devices

#### **Mobility aids**

- (1) The carrier will, on request, carry, free of charge and as priority baggage, a person with a disability's mobility aid, and will permit the person to retain their mobility aid until it becomes necessary to store it for carriage.
- (2) The carrier will make every reasonable effort to permit a person with a disability who uses a walker or manual folding wheelchair to store it on-board the aircraft;
- (3) Where the aircraft can transport the mobility aid, the carrier will:
  - (a) disassemble and package, where necessary, the aid for transportation and unpackage and reassemble the aid upon arrival; and
  - (b) return the aid promptly upon arrival.
- (4) Where the mobility aid needs to be disassembled and reassembled in order for it to be transported with the person who needs it, the carrier will require that the person:
  - (a) provide the carrier with instructions for the disassembly and reassembly of the mobility aid;
  - (b) provide any specialized tools needed for assembling or disassembling the mobility aid; and
  - (c) check in 180 minutes before the scheduled time of departure or arrive at the boarding gate of their flight 60 minutes in advance to allow for the additional time needed to handle the mobility aid and prepare it for transport.
- (5) Notwithstanding (4) above, the carrier will make every reasonable effort to transport the mobility aid even if written instructions for disassembly and reassembly are not provided by the person with a disability or the aforementioned times are not met.

- (6) If a person with a disability who uses a mobility aid makes a reservation for transportation on an international service, the air carrier will advise the person of the option to make a special declaration of interest, under Rule 55(F) above, as well as Article 22(2) of the Montreal Convention or under Article 22(2) of the Warsaw Convention, that sets out the monetary value of the mobility aid and a description of its identifying features.
- (7) The carrier will refuse to transport a mobility aid where:
  - (a) The weight or size of the mobility aid exceeds the capacity of lifts or ramps,
  - (b) The doors to baggage compartments are too small for the mobility aid, or
  - (c) Transportation of the mobility aid would jeopardize aircraft worthiness or violate safety regulations.

**Note:** Information regarding maximum weight and dimensions of mobility aids that each make and model of our aircraft is capable of transporting can be found at <a href="https://www.azoresairlines.pt/en/information/special-services/mobility-and-wheelchair-assistance">https://www.azoresairlines.pt/en/information/special-services/mobility-and-wheelchair-assistance</a>

- (8) Where the carrier refuses to transport a mobility aid for any of the reasons above, the carrier will:
  - (a) At the time of the refusal, tell the person with a disability why their mobility aid was not accepted and provide the reason in writing within the next 10 days; and,
  - (b) inform the person with a disability of alternative trips operated by the carrier to the same destination on which their mobility aid can be transported, and offer to book this for the person at the lesser of the fare for the original trip and the fare for the alternative trip.

#### Other assistive devices

- (9) The carrier will permit a person with a disability to bring on-board and to retain any small assistive device that the person needs during travel, including a cane, crutches, a communication device, an orthotic positioning device or a portable electronic medical device, such as a portable oxygen concentrator ("POC") or a continuous positive air way pressure ("CPAP") device, except to the extent that the presence or use of such a device jeopardizes security, public health or public safety.
- (10) Portable Eletronic Medical Devices, such as POC or CPAP devices. can be transported as carry-on baggage and used on board, subject to the following :

- (a) Each battery used in the device and any spare batteries must comply with the requirements of the UN Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part III, subsection 38.3 and shall not exceed:
  - o 8g for non-rechargeable batteries, or
  - A maximum of 160 Wh for rechargeable batteries.
- (b) The device must either be protected from inadvertent activation, or the battery must be disconnected and the battery terminals insulated (e.g. tapping the exposed terminals), or packing it in the original package, or placing each battery in a separate case;
- (c) A maximum of two spare batteries are allowed in carry- on baggage only;
- (d) Each spare battery must be protected from short circuit by insulation of the battery terminals.
- (e) The passenger must file any information and/or documents required by the carrier at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled departure time to support the request to transport and use their Personal Electronic Medical Device on board.

#### (H) Acceptance of service dogs

- (1) The carrier only accepts dogs as service animals.
- (2) The carrier will, on request, accept for transportation a service dog required to assist a person with a disability, and will permit the service dog to accompany the person on board subject to:
  - (a) any advance notice requirements contained in (F)(3);
  - (b) any time limits set out in (F)(6) and (7) where the carrier requires the filing of additional information and/or documents;
  - (c) any requirements in (3) and (4) below:
  - (d) the service dog must be properly harnessed at all times during travel; and,
  - (e) the service dog must be certified in writing as having been trained by a professional service animal institution.
- (3) Transport of a service dog accompanying a person with a disability will be free of charge, except in the case of (F)(3)(b)(ii), the provision of adjacent seating where this

is required to accommodate the size of the service dog, in which case an additional fare is required to be paid.

- (4) The carrier will make every reasonable effort to accept a service dog for carriage if requested by a person with a disability even if the person does not provide advance notice or any information and/or documents that are requested by the carrier.
- (5) The person is responsible for complying with all laws, regulations, orders, demands, and travel requirements of countries to be flown from, into or through, in respect to the service dog. In particular, the person is responsible for obtaining valid health and vaccination certificates, entry permits, and other documents required by countries, states or territories for entry or transit of any service dog that is to accompany the person.
- (6) The carrier may refuse to transport a service dog if the person with a disability fails to have in their possession documentation at the time of check-in which demonstrates that the animal has all the necessary valid health and vaccination certificates, entry permits and other documents required by countries, states or territories for entry or transit. For more information see Rule 105, Refusal to Transport.
- (7) When travel involves more than one carrier, it is the responsibility of the person to verify the policy of each carrier involved in the itinerary and ensure that the requirements of each carrier have been met and that each carrier is aware of and has agreed to carry the service animal on its own aircraft.
- (8) The carrier may refuse to transport a service dog if:
  - (a) the dog is not under the person's control or the person does not have the required harnessing or other control measures for the dog;
  - (b) the dog exhibits prohibited behaviours, such as running freely, barking or growling repeatedly at other persons, biting passengers or personnel, jumping on people, causing significant disruption in the cabin or at the gate area;
  - (c) the dog, due to its size, requires an additional adjacent seat and an additional seat was not requested and/or an additional fare was not paid for in advance.

# Rule 75: Acceptance of animals (pets and search and rescue dogs)

With respect to terms and conditions related to the transport of any service dog, or other service animal used to assist persons with disabilities please refer to Rules 69(H), Acceptance of service animals.

#### (A) Application

(1) The carrier will agree to carry animals subject to the following provisions:

#### (B) General

- (1) Advance arrangements must be made with the carrier before any animal will be accepted for carriage.
- (2) Before the animal is accepted for carriage, the passenger must make all necessary arrangements to obtain valid health and vaccination certificates, entry permits, and other documents required by countries, states or territories for entry or transit. In the absence of such documentation, the animal will not be accepted for carriage.
- (3) When travel involves more than one carrier, the passenger should verify the policy of each carrier involved in the itinerary and ensure that the requirements of each carrier have been met and that each carrier is aware of and has agreed to carry the animal on its own aircraft.
- (4) The carrier will not accept an animal for carriage if the animal is less than eight (8) weeks old, in heat, pregnant or lactating.

#### (C) Search and rescue dogs

 Search and rescue dogs which are properly harnessed will be permitted in the passenger cabin of the aircraft. The animal must remain on the floor at the handler's seat.

- (2) The carrier will accept a search and rescue dog for transportation without charge.
- (3) The carrier, in consultation with the search and rescue dog's handler, will determine where the handler will be seated to ensure that adequate space is provided to the handler and the dog.

#### (D) Pets

- (1) The provisions in this section are not applicable to service dogs or other service animals and search and rescue animals.
- (2) The carrier will accept for carriage animals as pets such as domestic dogs, cats, as either checked or carry-on baggage, provided the animal(s) is/are accompanied by a passenger, in compliance with the IATA Live Animal Regulations.
- (3) Animals must be contained in a clean, leak/escape proof cage or container/kennel with adequate space for the comfort of the animal. The cage or container/kennel must be approved by the carrier.
- (4) Animals as checked baggage:
  - (a) The number of animals carried is limited by aircraft type.
  - (b) Due to climatic conditions, animals will not be accepted during certain periods of the year. These black-out periods will be posted on the carrier's Web site or may be ascertained by contacting the carrier.
  - (c) The maximum size for the container/kennel (length +width + height) must not exceed 100 cm/39 in (length) x 78 cm /30 in(width) x 69 cm/27 in (height).
  - (d) The maximum allowable weight for both the animal and container/kennel must not exceed 45 kg/99 lbs.
  - (e) If the container/kennel exceeds the maximum size and/or maximum weight mentioned in (c) and (d) above, the passenger must make arrangements with the carrier's cargo department.
  - (f) Animals must be contained in kennel or container provided by the owner.
  - (g) The kennel or container must:
    - i. be made of hard and strong material;

- ii. be airline approved;
- iii. be secure;
- iv. be clean, leak proof, escape proof and claw proof;
- v. be lined with absorbent material (eg. towel, blankets, absorbent paper, etc);
- vi. be well ventilated;
- vii. be of an adequate size for the comfort of the animal, such that it is able to stand upright, turn and lie down in a natural manner;
- viii. be marked with the animal's name and contact information for the person responsible for the animal and/or the consignee.
- (h) For international transportation, pursuant to the provision of the applicable convention, once an animal is accepted for carriage as checked baggage, the carrier is liable in the event of damages arising from loss, damage and delay of an animal as specified in Rule 121, Liability – International Transportation.
- (i) **Charges:** The charge for transportation of the animal, (other than a service animal or search and rescue animal) and container/kennel as checked baggage will be as follows:

From	То	Charge
From 1 kg	up to 32Kg /70lbs	Flat rate 230CAD/140EUR per piece = 1 tax
From 33 kg /72 lbs	to 45Kg/99lbs	Flat rate 390CAD/240EUR per piece = 1 tax

#### Charge of transportation of animal and container/kennel

- (5) Pets in the cabin:
  - (a) Only 1 animal(s) per passenger may be accepted for carriage in the passenger cabin.

- (b) The number of animals carried in the passenger cabin is limited to 1 animal in Comfort class and 4 animals in Economy class per flight.
- (c) The maximum size permitted for the in-cabin animal container/kennel (length + width + height) must not exceed 40 cm (L) X 35 cm (W) X 21 cm (H);
- (d) The transport of domestic animals in the cabin is allowed in malleable bags suitable for transporting animals.
- (e) In determining the animals to be carried in the passenger cabin to remain under the limit per flight, priority will be given to service dogs and other service animals.
- (f) The maximum allowable weight for both the animal and in-cabin pet bag must not exceed 8 kg/17 lbs.
- (g) The in-cabin pet bag must be stored under the seat directly in front of the passenger, who must occupy a window seat.
- (h) The in-cabin animal pet bag may be carried as part of the passenger's unchecked (carry-on) baggage allowance according to the number and size dimensions set out in Rule 55, Baggage acceptance.
- (i) The animal must remain in the bag for the entire duration of the journey.
- (j) If the Pet bag exceeds the maximum size and/or maximum weight mentioned in (c) and (f) above, passengers will require to tender the animal as checked baggage.
- (k) The carrier may require a passenger with an in-cabin animal to change seats after boarding to accommodate other passengers. The carrier will reimburse seat selection fees or other additional charges related to class of service differences.

**Charges:** The charge for transportation of an animal (except for Service Animals) and pet bag in the passenger cabin will be CAD 170 / 100 EUR per animal.

# Rule 80: Administrative formalities – travel documents, customs and security

#### (A) General

- (1) The passenger is responsible for obtaining all required travel documents (passports, visas, tourist cards, health certificates, or other appropriate and necessary identification) including those of any children that are accompanied by the passenger.
- (2) The passenger is responsible for complying with all laws, regulations, orders, demands, and travel requirements of countries to be flown from, into or through and also for complying with the instructions of the carriers concerned.
- (3) The carrier shall not be liable for any aid or information given by any agent or employee of the carrier to any passenger in connection with obtaining necessary documents or complying with such laws, regulations, orders, demands, requirements or instructions, whether given orally, in writing or otherwise.
- (4) The carrier shall not be held liable for the consequences suffered by Passengers in the event of failure to comply with the obligations referred to in subparagraph (1) or (2) above.

#### (B) Travel documents

- (1) Prior to travel, the passenger must be prepared to submit for inspection to the carrier all travel documents required by the countries concerned.
- (2) The carrier will have the right to make and retain copies of the travel documents presented by the passenger.
- (3) As described in Rule 105, Refusal to transport, the carrier reserves the right to refuse transportation to any passenger who fails to present all exit, entry, health and other documents required by law, regulation, order, demand or other requirement of the countries where travel is intended or whose travel documents do not appear to be in order.
- (4) For international transportation including domestic segments on a passenger's itinerary, the carrier relies upon the information contained in the IATA Travel Centre which may be accessed at <u>https://www.iatatravelcentre.com</u>, in order to determine whether a passenger is in possession of the travel documentation required for

themselves or any animal to enter a particular country or to travel via certain countries based on their confirmed itinerary.

- (5) Passengers are strongly encouraged to confirm any necessary legal requirements for entry into or travel via the countries on their itinerary prior to their flights and to have proof of their compliance with such regulations, including being in possession of the relevant travel documents, in advance of check-in.
- (6) The carrier will not provide passengers with information on the travel document requirements, including visa, passport, and health requirements, for entry into, exit from, or travel via the countries on their itinerary.
- (7) The carrier is not liable to the passenger for any loss or expense incurred due to the passenger's failure to comply with the applicable laws or regulations.

#### (C) Customs and security matters

(1) Customs and immigration officials of the various countries travelled to and via by the passenger and any animal being transported with the passenger, will have the final decision with respect to entry of passengers, or animals, and these decisions could be different than those of the carrier when it accepted the passenger or animal for transportation at the outset of their itinerary.

#### (D) Government Regulations & Passenger Responsibility

 Passengers may be called on to be present at the inspection of their baggage (delayed, checked or unchecked) at the request of the customs officers or any other government authority.

The carrier may not be held liable for damage or losses suffered by Passengers as a result of such inspections, in particular if the latter refuse to be present at the inspection of their baggage.

(2) Passengers must compensate the carrier if action, omission or negligence on their part causes damage to the carrier due to, in particular, their failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph or the authorization given to the carrier to inspect their baggage.

This provision has been added due to possible penalties the carrier may have to pay during a customs inspection, if the passenger's baggage contains goods for which the carriage is prohibited and the passenger is not present

- (3) No liability shall attach to carrier if carrier in good faith determines that what it understands to be applicable law, government regulation, demand, order to requirement requires that it refuse and it does refuse to carry a Passenger.
- (4) If a passenger is refused entry to a territory, the passenger must pay all the resulting charges or fines imposed on the carrier by the local authorities, as well as the price of the carriage if the carrier, due to a government order, is required to return the passenger to their departure location or elsewhere. The price paid for the carriage to the destination for which entry to the territory was refused shall not be refunded by the carrier.
- (5) If the carrier has to pay or deposit a fine or penalty or incur expenses of any kind due to the non-compliance, whether voluntary or involuntary, by a passenger with the law in force in the States concerned, or due to failure to present required documents or the presentation of invalid documents, the passenger must, at the carrier's request, reimburse the amounts this paid or consigned and the disbursements incurred. For this purpose, the carrier may use any amount paid to it for non-performed carriage or any amount belonging to the Passenger that is held by the carrier.

#### **Rule 85: Ground transfer services**

#### (A) General

- (1) The carrier does not maintain, operate or provide ground transfer services between airports or between airports and city centres.
- (2) Any ground transfer service is performed by independent operators who are not and shall not be deemed to be, agents or servants of the carrier.

## Rule 90: Delay or cancellation – outside the carrier's control

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling, or they have purchased.
- (2) This Rule applies in respect of a carrier when there is a delay or cancellation due to situations outside the carrier's control.
- (3) In the case of a delay or cancellation due to situations outside the carrier's control, the carrier shall comply with APPR, including but not limited to what is stated below. Certain local laws may also apply or apply instead of APPR. If a passenger's flight is delayed or cancelled and a passenger rights regime of a jurisdiction other than Canada applies or may apply, the passenger is only entitled to seek or obtain recourse under one of the regimes and, to the extent the matter is not resolved directly with the carrier, only before a body or court in a jurisdiction where the regime or laws under which recourse is sought is the local law. Passengers may not receive compensation under one regime if they have already received compensation under another passenger rights regime for the same event.

#### (B) General

- (1) The carrier will make all reasonable efforts to transport the passenger and their baggage at the times indicated in its timetable and according to schedule; however, flight times are not guaranteed.
- (2) Personalized documents, such as a ticket/itinerary issued by the carrier for the passenger, which are consistent with the reservation held by the passenger form part of the contract of carriage between the carrier and the passenger.
- (3) A delay or cancellation that is directly attributable to an earlier delay or cancellation that is due to situations outside the carrier's control, is considered to also be due to situations outside that carrier's control if that carrier took all reasonable measures to mitigate the impact of the earlier flight delay or cancellation.
- (4) The passenger who attempts to check-in after the carrier's check-in deadline or presents themselves at the boarding area after the carrier's boarding time deadline as specified under Rule 40(D), Check-in time limits, will not receive consideration per

Rule 90 and will have their reservations cancelled as specified under Rule 105, Refusal to transport.

- (5) For international itineraries, irrespective of the treatment that they may have received, a passenger may invoke the provisions of the Convention regarding liability in the case of passenger delay.
- (6) In the case of delay or cancellation at the airport, the carrier will give priority to assistance to any person with a disability and to unaccompanied minors.

### (C) Communication with passengers — delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control

 Carrier will communicate with passengers in accordance with the provisions of Rule 97, Communication of information – cancellation, delay, tarmac delay or denial of boarding.

### (D) Alternate arrangements — delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control

- (1) If a flight is cancelled, or once a flight delay has reached three hours, the carrier will provide to the passenger, free of charge, a confirmed reservation on the next available flight that is operated by the carrier, or a carrier with which they have a commercial agreement, travelling on any reasonable air route from the airport at which the passenger is located to the destination that is indicated on the passenger's original ticket and departs within 48 hours after the departure time that is indicated on that ticket.
- (2) If the carrier cannot provide a confirmed reservation in accordance with (1) above, the carrier will, at the passenger's choice:
  - (a) provide a refund for any unused portion of the ticket; or,
  - (b) make the following alternate travel arrangements, free of charge:
    - a confirmed reservation for the next available flight that is operated by the original carrier, or a carrier with which the original carrier has a commercial agreement and is travelling on any reasonable air route from the airport at which the passenger is located to the destination that is indicated on the passenger's original ticket.

#### Return to point of origin

(3) If the passenger's trip no longer serves its purpose because of the disruption, and the passenger is no longer at their point of origin, then the carrier will provide the passenger, free of charge, with a confirmed reservation for a flight back to the point of origin that accommodates the passenger's travel needs, and refund the entire ticket (as if no part of the trip had been made).

#### Refund

(4) A passenger who is eligible to be refunded as per (2) above, may choose a refund, pursuant to Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds, at any time prior to being provided with a confirmed reservation.

#### **Comparable services**

(5) To the extent possible, the alternate travel arrangement must provide services that are comparable to those of the original ticket, including the carrier making every reasonable effort to maintain accessible seating assignments and any other accessibility-related accommodation for persons with disabilities.

#### **Refund of additional services**

- (6) The carrier will refund the cost of any additional services purchased in connection with the passenger's original ticket when the passenger is provided with alternate travel arrangements, if:
  - (a) the passenger did not receive those services; or,
  - (b) the passenger paid for those services a second time.

#### **Higher class of service**

(7) If a higher class of service is booked for the passenger than was originally provided for on the passenger's original ticket, the carrier will not request supplementary payment from the passenger.

#### Lower class of service

(8) If the alternate travel arrangements provide for a lower class of service than the original ticket, the carrier will refund the difference in the cost of the applicable portion of the ticket or up to 75% of the price of the applicable portion of the ticket.

#### Method used for refund

(9) Refunds under this section will be made in conformity with Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds, will be paid to the person who purchased the ticket or

additional service, and will be paid using the method used for the original payment, unless:

- (a) the carrier has informed the person in writing of the monetary value of the original ticket or additional service, and the availability of a refund by the method used for the original payment;
- (b) the refund is offered in another form that does not expire; and,
- (c) the person confirms, in writing, that the carrier has informed them of their right to receive the refund by the method used for the original payment and that the person has chosen to receive the refund in another form.

#### **Refund deadline**

(10) Where a refund is required to be provided under this Rule, it will be provided within 30 days of the flight disruption.

# Rule 91: Delay or cancellation – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling or they have purchased.
- (2) This Rule applies in respect of a carrier when there is delay or cancellation due to a situation that is within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes. Rule 91(G) is applicable only if the delay or cancellation is within the carrier's control and is not required for safety purposes.
- (3) In the case of a delay or cancellation due to situations within the carrier's control or within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes, the carrier shall comply with APPR, including but not limited to what is stated below. Certain local laws may also apply, or apply instead of APPR. If a passenger's flight is delayed or cancelled and a passenger rights regime of a jurisdiction other than Canada applies or may apply, the passenger is only entitled to seek or obtain recourse under one of the regimes and, to the extent the matter is not resolved directly with the carrier, only before a body or court in a jurisdiction where the regime or laws under which recourse is sought is the local law. Passengers may not receive compensation under one regime if they have already received compensation under another passenger rights regime for the same event.

#### (B) General

- (1) The carrier will make all reasonable efforts to transport the passenger and their baggage at the times indicated in its timetable and according to schedule; however, flight times are not guaranteed.
- (2) Personalized documents, such as a ticket/itinerary issued by the carrier for the passenger, which are consistent with the reservation held by the passenger form part of the contract of carriage between the carrier and the passenger.
- (3) A delay or cancellation that is directly attributable to an earlier delay or cancellation that is within the carrier's control but is required for safety purposes, is considered to

also be within that carrier's control but required for safety purposes, if that carrier took all reasonable measures to mitigate the impact of the earlier flight delay or cancellation.

- (4) The passenger who attempts to check-in after the carrier's check-in deadline or presents themselves at the boarding area after the carrier's boarding time deadline as specified under Rule 40(D), Check-in time limits, will not receive consideration per Rule 91 and will have their reservations cancelled as specified under Rule 105, Refusal to transport.
- (5) For international itineraries, irrespective of the treatment that they may have received, a passenger may invoke the provisions of the Convention regarding liability in the case of passenger delay.

# (C) Communication with passengers – delay or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

(1) The carrier will communicate with passengers in accordance with the provisions of Rule 97, Communication of information – cancellation, delay, tarmac delay or denial of boarding.

#### (D) Alternate arrangements – delay or cancellation – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

(1) In case of a delay of three hours or more, if the passenger desires, or a flight cancellation, the carrier will provide the following alternate travel arrangements free of charge to ensure that the passenger completes their itinerary as soon as feasible: a confirmed reservation for the next available flight that is operated by the original carrier, or a carrier with which the original carrier has a commercial agreement, and is travelling on any reasonable air route from the airport at which the passenger is located to the destination that is indicated on the passenger's original ticket.

#### Refund

(2) If the alternate travel arrangements offered, in accordance with (1) above, do not accommodate the passenger's travel needs, the carrier will:

- (a) in the case where the passenger is no longer at the point of origin that is indicated on the original ticket and the travel no longer serves a purpose because of the delay or cancellation, refund the ticket, pursuant Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds, and provide the passenger, free of charge, with a confirmed reservation that is for a flight to that point of origin which accommodates the passenger's travel needs; and
- (b) in any other case, refund the unused portion of the ticket. The amount of the refund will be calculated pursuant to Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds.

#### **Comparable services**

(3) To the extent possible, the alternate travel arrangement must provide services that are comparable to those of the original ticket, including the carrier making every reasonable effort to maintain accessible seating assignments and any other accessibility-related accommodation for persons with disabilities.

#### **Refund of additional services**

- (4) The carrier will refund the cost of any additional services purchased in connection with the passenger's original ticket when the passenger is provided with alternate travel arrangements, if:
  - (a) the passenger did not receive those services; or
  - (b) the passenger paid for those services a second time.

#### **Higher class of service**

(5) If the alternate travel arrangements referred to in (1) above provide for a higher class of service than the original ticket, the carrier will not request supplementary payment.

#### Lower class of service

(6) If the alternate travel arrangements provide for a lower class of service than the original ticket, the carrier will refund the difference in the cost of the applicable portion of the ticket or up to 75% of the price of the applicable portion of the ticket.

#### Method used for refund

(7) Refunds under this section will be made in conformity with Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds and will be paid to the person who purchased the ticket or additional service, and will be paid using the method used for the original payment, unless:

- (a) the carrier has informed the person in writing of the monetary value of the original ticket or additional service, and the availability of a refund by the method used for the original payment;
- (b) the refund is offered in another form that does not expire; and
- (c) the person confirms, in writing, that the carrier has informed them of their right to receive the refund by the method used for the original payment and that the person has chosen to receive the refund in another form.

#### **Refund deadline**

(8) Where a refund is required to be provided under this Rule, it will be provided within 30 days of the flight disruption.

#### (E) Standards of treatment – delay or cancellation – within the carrier's control and within the carr'er's control but required for safety purposes

- (1) If the passenger has been informed of the delay or of the cancellation less than 12 hours before the departure time that is indicated on their original ticket and they have waited two hours after the departure time that is indicated on their original ticket, the carrier must provide the passenger with the following treatment free of charge:
  - (a) food and drink in reasonable quantities, taking into account the length of the wait, the time of day and the location of the passenger; and
  - (b) access to a means of communication.

#### Accommodations

(2) If the passenger has been informed of the delay or of the cancellation less than 12 hours before the departure time that is indicated on their original ticket and if the carrier expects that the passenger will be required to wait overnight for their original flight or for a flight reserved as part of alternate travel arrangements, the carrier must offer, free of charge, hotel or other comparable accommodation that is reasonable in relation to the location of the passenger, as well as transportation to the hotel or other accommodation and back to the airport.

#### **Refusing or limiting treatment**

(3) The carrier may limit or refuse to provide a standard of treatment referred to in (1), and (2) above if providing that treatment would further delay the passenger.

### (F) Compensation – delay or cancellation – within the carrier's control and not required for safety purposes

- (1) Compensation for inconvenience is only payable when the delay or cancellation is within the carrier's control and is not required for safety purposes.
- (2) If a passenger is informed 14 days or less before the departure time on their original ticket that the arrival of their flight at the destination that was indicated on their ticket will be delayed, the carrier will provide the minimum compensation for inconvenience as follows:
  - (a) \$125 CAD, if the arrival of the passenger's flight at destination that is indicated on the original ticket is delayed by three hours or more, but less than six hours,
  - (b) \$250 CAD, if the arrival of the passenger's flight at the destination that is indicated on the original ticket is delayed by six hours or more, but less than nine hours, or
  - (c) \$500 CAD, if the arrival of the passenger's flight at the destination on the original ticket is delayed by nine hours or more.

#### Compensation in case of refund

(3) If the passenger's ticket is refunded in accordance with (D)(2), the carrier will provide a minimum compensation of \$125 CAD.

#### Deadline to file request

(4) To receive the minimum compensation referred to in (2) or (3) above, a passenger must file a request for compensation with the carrier before the first anniversary of the day on which the flight delay or flight cancellation occurred.

#### **Deadline to Respond**

(5) The carrier will, within 30 days after the day on which it receives the request, provide the compensation or an explanation as to why compensation is not payable.

#### **Compensation for inconvenience**

- (6) If the carrier is required by APPR to provide compensation to a passenger, the carrier will offer it in form of money (i.e., cash, cheque, or bank transfer). However, the compensation may be offered in another form if:
  - (a) compensation in the other form has a greater monetary value than the minimum monetary value of the compensation that is required under the APPR;
  - (b) the passenger has been informed in writing of the monetary value of the other form of compensation;
  - (c) the other form of compensation does not expire; and
  - (d) the passenger confirms in writing that they have been informed of their right to receive monetary compensation and have chosen the other form of compensation.

#### Rule 92: Tarmac delay

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers experiencing a tarmac delay irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling or they have purchased.
- (2) For international itineraries, irrespective of the treatment that they may have received, a passenger may invoke the provisions of the Convention regarding liability in the case of passenger delay.

#### (B) General

- (1) Passengers who experienced or are experiencing a tarmac delay may, depending on the circumstances, also find relief pursuant to:
  - (a) Rule 90, Delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control, or
  - (b) Rule 91, Delay or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carr'er's control but required for safety purposes.

#### **Urgent medical assistance**

(2) If a passenger requires urgent medical assistance while the flight is delayed on the tarmac after the doors of the aircraft are closed for take-off or after the flight has landed, the carrier will facilitate access to the medical assistance.

#### Tarmac delay obligations – standards of treatment

- (3) If a flight is delayed on the tarmac after the doors of the aircraft are closed for takeoff or after the flight has landed, the carrier will provide passengers with the following treatment, free of charge:
  - (a) if the aircraft is equipped with lavatories, access to those lavatories in working order;
  - (b) proper ventilation and cooling or heating of the aircraft;
  - (c) if it is feasible to communicate with people outside of the aircraft, the means to do so; and

(d) food and drink, in reasonable quantities, taking into account the length of the delay, the time of day and the location of the airport.

#### **Communications and information**

(4) Once it becomes clear that the aircraft will experience a tarmac delay the carrier will communicate with passengers in accordance with the provisions of Rule 97, Communication of information – cancellation, delay, tarmac delay or denial of boarding.

### (C) Tarmac delay (over 3 hours) carrier obligations at an airport in Canada

#### Passenger disembarkation

- (1) If a flight is delayed on the tarmac at an airport in Canada, the carrier will provide an opportunity for passengers to disembark:
  - (a) three hours after the aircraft doors have been closed for take-off; and
  - (b) three hours after the flight has landed, or at any earlier time if it is feasible.
- (2) **Exception**: Carrier is not required to provide an opportunity for passengers to disembark in accordance with (1) (above) if:
  - (a) it is likely that take-off will occur less than three hours and 45 minutes after the doors of the aircraft are closed for take-off or after the flight has landed, and,
  - (b) the carrier is able to continue to provide the standards of treatment referred to in (B)(3) (above).
- (3) If a passenger opts to disembark pursuant to Rule 92(C)(1) and the passenger fails to make themselves readily available for an immediate departure should that occur, the carrier:
  - (a) cannot guarantee that the passenger can be re-accommodated on to the aircraft,
  - (b) will treat the passenger, as appropriate, under the provisions of Rule 90, Delay or cancellation - outside the carrier's control or Rule 91, Delay or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes.

#### **Priority disembarkation**

(4) If the carrier allows disembarkation, it will, if it is feasible, give passengers with disabilities and their support person, or service animal, if any, the opportunity to leave the aircraft first.

#### Exceptions

(5) Rule 92(C)(1) does not apply if providing an opportunity for passengers to disembark is not possible, including if it is not possible for reasons related to safety and security or to air traffic or customs control.

## Rule 95: Denial of boarding – outside the carrier's control

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling or they have purchased.
- (2) This Rule applies in respect of a carrier when there is denial of boarding due to situations outside the carrier's control.
- (3) This Rule does not apply in the situation of a refusal to transport a passenger due to, for instance, health, safety or security reasons, or where the passenger has failed to follow carrier rules or instructions, has inappropriate travel documents, or has failed to respect check-in time limits. To see the carrier's policies in this respect, refer to Rule 105, Refusal to transport.
- (4) In the case of a denial of boarding due to situations outside the carrier's control, the carrier shall comply with APPR, including but not limited to what is stated below. Certain local laws may also apply or apply instead of APPR. If a passenger is denied boarding and a passenger rights regime of a jurisdiction other than Canada applies or may apply, the passenger is only entitled to seek or obtain recourse under one of the regimes and, to the extent the matter is not resolved directly with the carrier, only before a body or court in a jurisdiction where the regime or laws under which recourse is sought is the local law. Passengers may not receive compensation under one regime if they have already received compensation under another passenger rights regime for the same event.

#### (B) General

- (1) The carrier will make all reasonable efforts to transport the passenger and their baggage at the times indicated in its timetable and according to schedule; however, flight times are not guaranteed.
- (2) Personalized documents, such as a ticket/itinerary issued by the carrier for the passenger, which are consistent with the reservation held by the passenger form part of the contract of carriage between the carrier and the passenger.

- (3) The passenger holding a confirmed ticketed reservation must present themselves for carriage in accordance with this tariff having complied fully with the carrier's applicable reservation, ticketing, check-in, and boarding requirements within the time limits as set out in Rule 40.
- (4) The passenger who attempts to check-in after the carrier's check-in deadline or presents themselves at the boarding area after the carrier's boarding time deadline as specified under Rule 40(D), Check-in time limits, will not receive consideration per Rule 95 and will have their reservations cancelled as specified under Rule 105, Refusal to transport.
- (5) A denial of boarding that is directly attributable to an earlier delay or cancellation that is due to situations outside the carrier's control, is considered to also be due to situations outside that carrier's control if that carrier took all reasonable measures to mitigate the impact of the earlier flight delay or cancellation.
- (6) For international itineraries, irrespective of the treatment that they may have received, a passenger may invoke the provisions of the Convention regarding liability in the case of passenger delay.

### (C) Communication with passengers – denial of boarding – outside the carrier's control

 Carrier will communicate with passengers in accordance with the provisions of Rule 97, Communication of information – cancellation, delay, tarmac delay or denial of boarding.

### (D) Alternate arrangements – denial of boarding outside the carrier's control

(1) If there is denial of boarding due to situations outside the carrier's control, the carrier will provide the following alternate travel arrangements free of charge to ensure that the passenger completes their itinerary as soon as feasible: a confirmed reservation for the next available flight that is operated by the original carrier, or a carrier with which the original carrier has a commercial agreement, and is travelling on any reasonable air route from the same airport to the destination that is indicated on the passenger's original ticket.

#### **Comparable services**

(2) To the extent possible, the alternate travel arrangement must provide services that are comparable to those of the original ticket, including the carrier making every reasonable effort to maintain accessible seating assignments and any other accessibility-related accommodation for persons with disabilities.

#### **Refund of additional services**

- (3) The carrier will refund the cost of any additional services purchased in connection with the passenger's original ticket when the passenger is provided with alternate travel arrangements, if:
  - (a) the passenger did not receive those services; or,
  - (b) the passenger paid for those services a second time.

#### **Higher class of service**

(4) If a higher class of service is booked for the passenger than was originally provided for on the passenger's original ticket, the carrier will not request supplementary payment from the passenger.

#### Lower class of service

(5) If the alternate travel arrangements provide for a lower class of service than the original ticket, the carrier will refund the difference in the cost of the applicable portion of the ticket or up to 75% of the price of the applicable portion of the ticket.

#### Method used for refund

- (6) Refunds under this section will be made in conformity with Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds, will be paid to the person who purchased the ticket or additional service, and will be paid using the method used for the original payment, unless:
  - (a) the carrier has informed the person in writing of the monetary value of the original ticket or additional service, and the availability of a refund by the method used for the original payment;
  - (b) the refund is offered in another form that does not expire; and,
  - (c) the person confirms, in writing, that the carrier has informed them of their right to receive the refund by the method used for the original payment and that the person has chosen to receive the refund in another form.

#### **Refund deadline**

(7) Where a refund is required to be provided under this Rule, it will be provided within 30 days of the flight disruption.

#### **Ticket refund**

(8) If a passenger who has been denied boarding involuntarily refuses alternate travel arrangements because the travel no longer serves a purpose, and chooses to no longer travel, the passenger is entitled to a refund, pursuant to Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds.

# Rule 96: Denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) This Rule applies to all passengers irrespective of the type of fare on which they are travelling or have purchased.
- (2) This Rule applies in respect of a carrier when there is a denial of boarding due to a situation that is within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety. Rule 96(G) is only applicable if the denial of boarding is within the carrier's control and is not required for safety purposes.
- (3) This Rule does not apply in the situation of a refusal to transport a passenger due to, for instance, health, safety or security reasons, or where the passenger has failed to follow carrier rules or instructions, has inappropriate travel documents or has failed to respect check-in time limits or gate cut-off times. See Rule 105, Refusal to transport for the carrier's policies in this respect.
- (4) In the case of a denial of boarding due to situations within the carrier's control or within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes, the carrier shall comply with APPR, including but not limited to what is stated below. Certain local laws may also apply or apply instead of APPR. If a passenger is denied boarding and a passenger rights regime of a jurisdiction other than Canada applies or may apply, the passenger is only entitled to seek or obtain recourse under one of the regimes and, to the extent the matter is not resolved directly with the carrier, only before a body or court in a jurisdiction where the regime or laws under which recourse is sought is the local law. Passengers may not receive compensation under one regime if they have already received compensation under another passenger rights regime for the same event.

#### (B) General

(1) The carrier will make all reasonable efforts to transport the passenger and their baggage at the times indicated in its timetable and according to schedule; however, flight times are not guaranteed.

- (2) Personalized documents, such as a ticket/itinerary issued by the carrier for the passenger, which are consistent with the reservation held by the passenger form part of the contract of carriage between the carrier and the passenger.
- (3) The passenger holding a confirmed ticketed reservation must present themselves for carriage in accordance with this tariff having complied fully with the carrier's applicable reservation, ticketing, check-in and boarding requirements within the time limits set out in Rule 40.
- (4) A denial of boarding that is directly attributable to an earlier delay or cancellation that is within that carrier's control but is required for safety purposes, is considered to also be within that carrier's control but required for safety purposes if that carrier took all reasonable measures to mitigate the impact of the earlier flight delay or cancellation.
- (5) The passenger who attempts to check-in after the carrier's check-in deadline or presents themselves at the boarding area after the carrier's boarding time deadline as specified under Rule 40(D), Check-in time limits, will not receive consideration per Rule 96 and will have their reservations cancelled as specified under Rule 105, Refusal to transport.
- (6) For international itineraries, irrespective of the treatment that they may have received, a passenger may invoke the provisions of the Convention regarding liability in the case of passenger delay.

#### (C) Denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes – request for volunteers

- (1) In cases of denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes, the carrier will not deny boarding to a passenger unless it has asked all passengers if they are willing to give up their seat. As such, the carrier will ask for volunteers to relinquish their seats from among the confirmed passengers. At the same time, the carrier will announce what type of benefits passengers will be entitled to should they voluntarily relinquish their seat. The carrier will advise any passenger who expresses an interest in relinquishing their seat of the amount of compensation a passenger could receive pursuant to (G)(1) if there is a denial of boarding.
- (2) Attempts to find volunteers may take place at the check-in or boarding areas. The carrier may also seek volunteers before the passenger arrives at the airport. The carrier will continue to make this request of passengers until it obtains enough

volunteers to prevent a denial of boarding or until it determines that it does not, despite its best efforts, have enough volunteers.

(3) If the carrier offers a benefit in exchange for a passenger willingly relinquishing their seat in accordance with (1) (above) and a passenger accepts the offer, or if they negotiate a benefit acceptable to both parties, the carrier will provide the passenger with a written confirmation of that benefit before the flight departs. A passenger who willingly relinquishes their seat is not considered to be a passenger who has been subject to a denial of boarding by the carrier and as such, is not entitled to compensation pursuant to (G).

#### Passenger on aircraft

(4) The carrier will not deny boarding to a passenger who is already on-board the aircraft unless the denial of boarding is required for reasons of safety. However, passengers may still elect to volunteer to relinquish their seat if already on-board the aircraft in exchange for benefits agreed upon with the carrier.

#### **Priority for boarding**

- (5) If denial of boarding is necessary, the carrier will give priority for boarding to passengers in the following order:
  - (a) an unaccompanied minor;
  - (b) a person with a disability and their support person, service dog or other service animal, if any;
  - (c) a passenger who is travelling with family members;
  - (d) a passenger who was previously denied boarding on the same ticket;
  - (e) Executive class passengers;
  - (f) Passengers owners of SATA Imagine Goldsky cards
  - (g) Passengers with flight connections before or after the overbooked flight;
  - (h) all other passengers with confirmed and ticketed reservations in the order in which they presented themselves for check-in.

#### (D) Communication with passengers – denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

 Carrier will communicate with passengers in accordance with the provisions of Rule 97, Communication of information – cancellation, delay, tarmac delay or denial of boarding.

#### (E) Alternate arrangements – denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

- (1) In the case where there is a denial of boarding for situations within the carrier's control or within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes, the carrier will provide to each passenger, free of charge, the following alternate travel arrangements to ensure that the passenger completes their itinerary as soon as feasible:
  - (a) a confirmed reservation for the next available flight that is operated by the original carrier, or a carrier with which the original carrier has a commercial agreement, and is travelling on any reasonable air route from the airport at which the passenger is located to the destination that is indicated on the passenger's original ticket.

#### Refund

- (2) If the alternate travel arrangements offered in accordance with (F)(1) do not accommodate the passenger's travel needs, the carrier will:
  - (a) in the case where the passenger is no longer at the point of origin that is indicated on the original ticket and the travel no longer serves a purpose because of denied boarding, refund the ticket, pursuant to Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds, and provide the passenger, free of charge, with a confirmed reservation that is for a flight to that point of origin which accommodates the passenger's travel needs; and
  - (b) in any other case, refund the unused portion of the ticket. The amount of the refund will be calculated pursuant to Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds.

#### **Comparable services**

(3) To the extent possible, the alternate travel arrangement must provide services comparable to those of the original ticket, including the carrier making every reasonable effort to maintain accessible seating assignments and any other accessibility-related accommodation for persons with disabilities.

#### **Refund of additional services**

- (4) The carrier will refund the cost of any additional services purchased in connection with the passenger's original ticket when the passenger is provided with alternate travel arrangements, if:
  - (a) the passenger did not receive those services on the alternate flight; or
  - (b) the passenger paid for those services a second time.

#### **Higher class of service**

(5) If the alternate travel arrangements referred to in (1) above provide for a higher class of service than the original ticket, the carrier will not request supplementary payment.

#### Lower class of service

(6) If the alternate travel arrangements provide for a lower class of service than the original ticket, the carrier will refund the difference in the cost of the applicable portion of the ticket or up to 75% of the price of the applicable portion of the ticket.

#### Method used for refund

- (7) Refunds under this section will be made in conformity with Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds and will be paid to the person who purchased the ticket or additional service, and will be paid using the method used for the original payment, unless:
  - (a) the carrier has informed the person in writing of the monetary value of the original ticket or additional service, and the availability of a refund by the method used for the original payment;
  - (b) the refund is offered in another form that does not expire; and,
  - (c) the person confirms, in writing, that the carrier has informed them of their right to receive the refund by the method used for the original payment and that the person has chosen to receive the refund in another form.

#### **Refund deadline**

(8) Where a refund is required to be provided under this Rule, it will be provided within 30 days of the flight disruption.

# (F) Standards of treatment – denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes

- (1) Before a passenger boards the flight reserved as an alternate travel arrangement per (E)(1), the carrier will provide them with the following treatment free of charge:
  - (a) food and drink in reasonable quantities, taking into account the length of the wait, the time of day and the location of the passenger; and
  - (b) access to a means of communication.

#### Accommodations

(2) If the carrier expects that the passenger will be required to wait overnight for a flight reserved as part of alternate travel arrangements, the air carrier must offer, free of charge, hotel or other comparable accommodation that is reasonable in relation to the location of the passenger as well as transportation to the hotel or other accommodation and back to the airport.

#### **Refusing or limiting treatment**

(3) The carrier may limit or refuse to provide a standard of treatment referred to (1) and(2) above, if providing that treatment would further delay the passenger.

### (G) Compensation – denial of boarding – within the carrier's control and not required for safety purposes

(1) Compensation is only payable when the denial of boarding is within the carrier's control and is not required for safety purposes.

#### **Compensation for denial of boarding**

(2) If a denial of boarding that is within the carrier's control occurs, the carrier will provide the following compensation for inconvenience to the affected passenger:

- (a) \$900 CAD, if the arrival time of the passenger's flight at the destination that is indicated on the original ticket is delayed by less than six hours;
- (b) \$1,800 CAD, if the arrival of the passenger's flight at the destination that is indicated on the original ticket is delayed by six hours or more, but less than nine hours; and
- (c) \$2,400 CAD, if the arrival of the passenger's flight at the destination that is indicated on the original ticket is delayed by nine hours or more.

#### Payment

(3) The carrier will provide the compensation to the passenger as soon as it is operationally feasible, but not later than 48 hours after the denial of boarding.

#### **Estimated arrival time**

(4) If the compensation is paid before the arrival of the flight reserved as part of alternate travel arrangements made pursuant to (E)(1) above, at the destination that is indicated on their ticket, that compensation will be based on the flight's expected arrival time.

#### Written confirmation

(5) If it is not possible to provide the compensation before the boarding time of the flight reserved as part of alternate travel arrangements made pursuant to (E)(1) above, the carrier will provide the passenger with a written confirmation of the amount of the compensation that is owed.

#### Adjustment

(6) If the arrival of the passenger's flight at the destination that is indicated on their original ticket is after the time it was expected to arrive when the compensation was paid or confirmed in writing and the amount that was paid or confirmed no longer reflects the amount due in accordance with (2), the carrier will adjust the amount of the compensation.

#### **Compensation for inconvenience**

(7) If the carrier is required by (2) above to provide compensation for a denial of boarding to a passenger, the carrier will offer it in form of money (i.e. cash, cheque, or bank transfer). However, the compensation may be offered in another form (e.g. vouchers) if:

- (a) compensation in the other form has a greater monetary value than the minimum monetary value of the compensation that is required under the APPR.
- (b) the passenger has been informed in writing of the monetary value of the other form of compensation;
- (c) the other form compensation does not expire; and
- (d) the passenger confirms in writing that they have been informed of their right to receive monetary compensation and have chosen the other form of compensation.

# Rule 97 – Communication of information – cancellation, delay, tarmac delay, or denial of boarding

#### (A) General

- (1) In cases where one of the following applies:
  - (a) Rule 90, Delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control,
  - (b) Rule 91, Delay or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes,
  - (c) Rule 92, Tarmac delay,
  - (d) Rule 95, Denial of boarding outside the carrier's control, or
  - (e) Rule 96, Denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes,

pursuant to the provisions of the APPR, the carrier will provide the following information to the affected passengers:

- (i) the reason for the delay, cancellation, or denial of boarding;
- (ii) the compensation to which the passenger may be entitled for the inconvenience;
- (iii) the standard of treatment for passengers, if any; and
- (iv) the recourse available against the carrier, including their recourse to the Agency.
- (2) In the case of a delay, the carrier will communicate status updates every 30 minutes until a new departure time for the flight is set or alternate travel arrangements have been made for the affected passenger.
- (3) The carrier will communicate new information to passengers as soon as feasible.
- (4) The information of paragraph (1) above will be provided by means of audible announcements. Visible announcements will be provided upon request.

(5) The information of paragraph (1) above will also be provided to the passenger using the available communication method that the passenger has indicated that they prefer, including a method that is compatible with adaptive technologies intended to assist persons with disabilities.

#### Rule 105: Refusal to transport

#### Definitions

(1) For the purposes of Rule 105:

"Force majeure" means any unforeseeable circumstances beyond the carrier's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised including, but without limitation, meteorological and geological conditions, acts of God, pandemics, strikes, riots, civil commotions, embargoes, wars, hostilities, disturbances, unsettled international conditions, shortage of fuel or facilities, or labour disputes, either actual, threatened or reported.

#### (A) Applicability

- (1) A refusal to transport a passenger only occurs in situations when the carrier operates a flight on which the passenger had a confirmed reservation, but that specific passenger is not permitted to continue their journey on that flight due to any reasons specified in the paragraphs below. Refusal to transport can occur at the start of any journey or while the passenger is en route to their destination.
- (2) Flight delay, flight cancellation and denial of boarding do not constitute a situation of refusal to transport.

#### (B) Refusal to transport – removal of passenger

- (1) The carrier will refuse to transport, or will remove any passenger at any point, for any of the following reasons:
  - (a) Government requests and regulations and force majeure

Whenever it is necessary or advisable to:

- (i) comply with any government regulation or law;
- (ii) comply with any government request for emergency transportation; or,
- (iii) address force majeure.

### (b) Search of passenger and property

When the passenger refuses to permit a search of their person or property for explosives or for concealed, prohibited, deadly or dangerous weapon(s) or article(s).

### (c) **Proof of identity/age**

When the passenger refuses a request to produce government-issued identification to demonstrate proof of identity.

**Note:** The carrier is required to screen each passenger by looking at the passenger, and in particular the passenger's entire face, to determine if they appear to be 18 years of age or older.

The carrier is also required to screen each passenger who appears to be 18 years of age or older by comparing the passenger, and in particular the passenger's entire face, against one piece of government-issued photo identification that shows the passenger's name, date of birth and gender.

#### (d) Immigration or other similar considerations

When the passenger is to travel across any international boundary, if:

- (i) The travel documents of the passenger are not in order; or,
- (ii) For any reason the passenger's embarkation from, transit through, or entry into any country from, through, or to which the passenger desires transportation would be unlawful or would otherwise not be permitted.

### (e) Failure to comply with carrier's rules and regulations

When the passenger fails or refuses to comply with rules and regulations of the carrier as stated in this tariff.

### (f) Passenger's condition

- (i) When the passenger's actions or inactions prove to the carrier that their mental, intellectual or physical condition is such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves without assistance or medical treatment en route unless:
  - (A) the passenger is accompanied by a support person who will be responsible for assisting with the passenger's needs en route such as assistance with eating, using the washroom facilities or

administering medication which are beyond the range of services that are normally offered by the carrier; and,

(B) the passenger complies with requirements of Rule 69(B), Acceptance for carriage.

**Exception:** The carrier will accept the determination made by or on behalf of a person with a disability as to self-reliance, except where accepting the person could jeopardize security, public health or public safety as per Rule 69(B), Acceptance for carriage.

**Note:** If the passenger is accompanied by a support person and the passenger is refused transport, then the support person will also be refused transport and the two will be removed from the aircraft together.

- (ii) When the passenger has a contagious disease.
- (iii) When the passenger has an offensive odour.

#### Medical clearance

(iv) When the carrier determines, in good faith and using its reasonable discretion, that a passenger's medical or physical condition involves an unusual hazard or risk to their self or other persons (including, in the case of expectant mothers, unborn children) or property, the carrier can require the passenger to provide a medical certificate that then may be assessed by the carrier's own medical officer as a condition of the passenger's acceptance for subsequent travel. The carrier may refuse transportation to the person posing such hazard or risk.

**Note:** Pregnant passengers:

- (A) An expectant mother with a complication-free pregnancy can travel on the carrier's flights up to the 27th week of pregnancy before the expected due date without a medical certificate.
- (B) An expectant mother who is in or beyond the 28th week and up to 36<sup>th</sup> week of pregnancy must present a physician declaration stating that the physician has examined the patient and found them to be physically fit for travel by air and indicating the estimated date of birth.
- (C) An expectant mother who is in or beyond the 36th week of pregnancy may be accepted for travel on presentation of a

medical certificate issued within the period of 7 days prior to travel. The certificate must state that the physician has examined the patient and found them to be physically fit for travel by air and the certificate must state the estimated date of birth, inform the time of pregnancy, progress of pregnancy, normal or abnormal pregnancy evolution and probable date of confinement. In addition, the passenger must sign a passenger declaration of responsibility.

(D) Where the expected date of birth is within 7 days of the scheduled time of departure, the expectant mother will only be accepted for travel in urgent and duly justified cases. In addition to the requirements in (C), the expectant mother must be accompanied by a person with a medical qualification, such as a midwife or physician.

### (g) Failure to provide a suitable escort

When the passenger requires an escort due to a mental health condition and is under care of a psychiatric institution or in the custody of law enforcement personnel or other responsible authority and the necessary arrangements have not been made with the carrier in advance of the departure of the flight.

However, the carrier will accept escorted passengers under the following conditions when the passenger has a mental health condition and is under care of a psychiatric institution or in the custody of law enforcement personnel or other responsible authority:

- (i) Medical authority furnishes assurance, in writing, that an escorted person with a mental health condition can be transported safely.
- (ii) Only 2 escorted passenger(s) will be permitted on a flight.
- (iii) Request for carriage is made at least 48 hours before scheduled departure.
- (iv) Acceptance is applicable to transportation on flights marketed and operated by SATA Internacional Azores Airlines, S.A. only.
- (v) The escort must accompany the escorted passenger at all times.
- (vi) The passenger and escort(s) must travel in economy class

# (C) Passenger's conduct – refusal to transport – prohibited conduct and sanctions

### (1) Prohibited conduct

Without limiting the generality of the preceding provisions, the following constitutes prohibited conduct where it may be necessary, in the reasonable discretion of the carrier, to take action to ensure the physical comfort or safety of the person, other passengers, and the carrier's employees; the safety of the aircraft; the unhindered performance of the crew members in their duty on-board the aircraft; or, safe and adequate flight operations:

- (a) The person, in the reasonable judgement of a responsible employee of the carrier, is under the influence of alcohol or drugs (except a patient under medical care).
- (b) The person's conduct, or condition is or has been known to be abusive, offensive, threatening, intimidating, violent or otherwise disorderly, and, in the reasonable judgement of a responsible employee of the carrier, there is a possibility that the person would cause disruption or serious impairment to the physical comfort or safety of other passengers or carrier's employees, interfere with a crew member in the performance of their duties, or otherwise jeopardize safe and adequate flight operations.
- (c) The person's conduct involves any hazard or risk to their self or other persons (including travel involving pregnant passengers or unborn children) or to property.
- (d) The person fails to observe the instructions of the aircraft crew, including instructions to stop any prohibited conduct.
- (e) The person is unable or unwilling to sit in their assigned seat with the seat belt fastened.
- (f) The person smokes or attempts to smoke in the aircraft.
- (g) The person uses or continues to use a cellular phone, a laptop computer or another electronic device on-board the aircraft after being advised to stop such use by a member of the crew.
- (h) The person is barefoot.
- (i) The person is inappropriately dressed.

- (j) The person has a prohibited article or concealed or unconcealed weapon(s). However, the carrier will carry law enforcement or armed forces personnel who meet the qualifications and conditions established under government regulations
- (k) The person has resisted or may reasonably be believed to be capable of resisting escorts.
- (I) The person refuses to comply with the the carrier's instructions, including the check-in after the acceptance time limit .
- (m) The person refuses to show their identification; or
- (n) The person refuses to submit to security checks

### (2) Carrier response to prohibited conduct

Where, in the exercise of its reasonable discretion, the carrier decides that the passenger has engaged in prohibited conduct described above, the carrier may impose any combination of the following sanctions:

- (a) Removal of the passenger at any point.
- (b) Probation: At any time, the carrier may stipulate that the passenger is to follow certain probationary conditions, such as to not engage in prohibited conduct, in order for the carrier to provide transport to the passenger. Such probationary conditions may be imposed for any length of time which, in the exercise of the carrier's reasonable discretion, is necessary to ensure the passenger continues to avoid prohibited conduct.
- (c) **Refusal to transport the passenger:** The length of this refusal to transport may range from a one-time refusal to a longer period determined at the reasonable discretion of the carrier in light of the circumstances. Such refusal will be for a period appropriate to the nature of the prohibited conduct and until the carrier is satisfied that the passenger no longer constitutes a threat to the safety of other passengers, crew or the aircraft or to the comfort of other passengers or crew; the unhindered performance of the crew members in their duty on-board the aircraft; or safe and adequate flight operations.
- (d) The following conduct will automatically result in a refusal to transport:
  - (i) The person continues to interfere with the performance of a crew member's duties despite verbal warnings by the crew to stop such behaviour.

- (ii) The person injures a crew member or other passenger or subjects a crew member or other passenger to a credible threat of injury.
- (iii) The person displays conduct that requires an unscheduled landing and/or the use of restraints such as ties and handcuffs.
- (iv) The person repeats a prohibited conduct after receiving a notice of probation as mentioned in (b) above.

These remedies are without prejudice to the carrier's other rights and recourses, namely to seek recovery of any damage resulting from the prohibited conduct or as otherwise provided in the carrier's tariffs, including recourses provided in the carrier's frequent flyer program or the filing of criminal or statutory charges.

# (D) Recourse of the passenger/limitation of liability

- In case of refusal to transport a passenger on a specific flight or removal of a passenger en route for any reason specified in the foregoing paragraphs, the carrier will proceed according to rule 125.
- (2) Notwithstanding (1) above, passengers will be entitled to all other additional rights they may have under this tariff or elsewhere or any legal rights that international passengers may have pursuant to international conventions (e.g., the <u>Warsaw</u> <u>Convention</u> or the <u>Montreal Convention</u>) and related treaties.
- (3) A person who is refused carriage for a period of time or to whom a probation notice is served may provide to the carrier, in writing, the reasons why they believe they no longer pose a threat to the safety or comfort of passengers or crew, or to the safety of the aircraft. Such document may be sent to the address provided in the refusal to carry notice or the notice of probation.
- (4) The carrier will respond to the passenger within a reasonable period of time providing carrier's assessment as to whether it remains necessary to continue the ban or maintain the probation period.

# Rule 115: Tickets

# (A) General

- (1) A ticket will not be issued and the carrier will not carry the passenger unless the passenger has paid the applicable fare or has complied with all credit arrangements.
- (2) Before boarding, the passenger must present the carrier with proof that they have been issued a valid ticket for the flight. Such proof must be in the form of an itinerary/receipt, a record locator or reservation number, or boarding pass and the passenger must provide the carrier with positive identification to be entitled to transportation. The ticket will give the passenger the right to transportation only between the points of origin and ultimate destination, and on the dates, times and via the routing shown on the ticket.
- (3) Flight coupons will be honoured only in the order in which they are displayed on the passenger's ticket and stored in the carrier's database.
- (4) The ticket remains at all timesthe property of the carrier which issued the ticket.
- (5) The carrier does not permit the passenger to hold more than one confirmed reservation/ticket on the same departure flight/origin and destination for the same travel date.

# (B) Validity for carriage

- General: When validated, the ticket is good for carriage from the airport of departure to the airport of ultimate destination via the route shown on the ticket, for the applicable class of service and is valid for the period of time referred to in (2) below. The passenger will be accepted for carriage on the date and flight segments for which a seat has been reserved.
- (2) **Period of Validity:** Generally, the period of validity for transportation will be one year from the date on which transportation commences at the point of origin designated on the original ticket, or, if no portion of the ticket is used, one year from the date of issuance of the original ticket. However, certain fares may have different periods of validity. If this is the case, the specific rules associated with the fare will take precedence.

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- (3) **Computation of the ticket validity:** When computing the ticket validity i.e., the minimum/maximum stays and any other calendar periods set out in the ticket, the first day to be counted will be the day following the date that transportation commenced or that the ticket was issued.
- (4) **Expiration of validity:** Tickets expire at midnight on the last day of validity based on where the ticket was issued.

# (C) Extension of ticket validity

- (1) **Carrier's operations:** If a passenger is prevented from travelling within the period of validity of their ticket because the carrier:
  - (a) cancels the flight upon which the passenger holds confirmed space;
  - (b) omits a scheduled stop, provided this is the passenger's place of departure, place of ultimate destination, or place of stopover;
  - (c) fails to operate a flight reasonably according to schedule;
  - (d) causes the passenger to miss a connection;
  - (e) substitutes a different class of service; or
  - (f) is unable to provide previously confirmed space;

the carrier will, without collecting any additional fare, extend the validity of the passenger's ticket until the passenger can continue their travel on the first flight where space is available.

# (D) Waiver minimum/maximum stay provision

### (1) In the event of death of a family member not accompanying the passenger

If the passenger holding a special fare ticket returns prior to the expiry of the minimum stay requirement because of the death of an immediate family member not accompanying the passenger, the passenger will be entitled to a refund of the additional amounts paid for transportation on the carrier's services in order to return early. However, no refund will be permitted unless the passenger produces a death certificate confirming that the death of the family member occurred after the commencement of travel.

### (2) In the event of a passenger's death – provisions for accompanying passengers

# (a) Extension of ticket validity (beyond 1 year) for normal fares and waiver of the maximum stay requirements of special fares

The carrier will extend the ticket validity for passengers who are either members of the immediate family of the deceased passenger or are other persons actually accompanying the deceased passenger for up to 45 days beyond the original ticket validity expiry date or 45 days after the date of death of the passenger, whichever date occurs first.

A death certificate or a copy, duly executed by the competent authorities in the country in which the death occurred must be presented at the time of re-ticketing. A competent authority is a person designated to issue a death certificate by the applicable laws of the country concerned.

If the death certificate is not available at the time the passengers are to travel, or, if the carrier has reason to doubt the validity of such certificate, passengers will be accommodated only upon payment of the fare applicable for the transportation used, and a request for refund may be filed with the carrier. Upon receipt of the request for refund and all supporting documents, the carrier will determine the validity of the request and, if valid, will refund the difference between the total fare paid by the passengers and the amount the passengers would have paid under the provision of this Rule.

### (E) Flights in sequence

(1) Flights appearing on the passenger's itinerary/receipt and in the carrier's database must be used in sequence from the place of departure as shown on the passenger's ticket. Each flight coupon will be accepted for transportation in the class of service on the date and flight for which space has been reserved.

# Part IV After travel

# Part IV – After travel

Rule 121: Liability of the carrier for loss, damage to or delay of baggage, passenger delay or death or bodily injury – international transportation

Applicable to international transportation to and from Canada and includes domestic segments of an international journey.

# (A) Successive carriers

(1) Transportation to be performed under one ticket or under a ticket issued with any conjunction ticket by several successive carriers will be regarded as single operation.

# (B) Laws and provisions applicable

# Liability in the case of destruction or loss of, damage to, or delay of checked and unchecked baggage.

- (1) The carrier is liable for damages sustained in the case of destruction or loss of, damage to, or delay of checked and unchecked baggage, as provided in the following paragraphs:
  - (a) Except as provided below, the liability of the carrier is limited to 1,519 Special Drawing Rights for each passenger in the case of destruction, loss, damage, or delay of baggage, whether checked or unchecked, under the Warsaw Convention or the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply.
  - (b) Unless the passenger proves otherwise, unchecked baggage, including personal items, shall be considered to be the property of the passenger in possession of the baggage at the time of embarkation.
  - (c) The passenger may make a special declaration that their checked baggage has a higher value than the carrier's maximum liability. If the passenger does so, then the passenger must make this declaration to the carrier at the time of

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check-in and, if required by the carrier, shall, as per Rule 55(F), Excess Value Declaration Charge, pay the supplementary charge to allow for additional liability coverage in the case of destruction, loss, damage or delay of their checked baggage.

In the case of transportation under the Warsaw Convention, no supplementary sum shall apply unless the declared amount exceeds 26 Special Drawing Rights per kilogram of the total recorded weight of the checked baggage at the time the baggage is handed to the carrier.

- (d) In the case of unchecked baggage, the carrier is liable only to the extent the damage resulted from its fault, or that of its servants or agents.
- (e) The carrier is liable for the damage sustained in case of destruction or loss of, or damage to, checked baggage upon condition only that the event which caused the destruction, loss or damage took place on-board the aircraft or during any period within which the checked baggage was in the charge of the carrier. However, the carrier is not liable if and to the extent that the damage resulted from the inherent defect, quality or vice of the baggage. Further, the carrier's liability for the destruction, loss, damage or delay of baggage is subject to the terms, limitations and defences set forth in the Warsaw Convention and the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply, in addition to any limitation or defence recognized by a Court with proper jurisdiction over claim.
- (f) The carrier reserves all defences and limitations under the Warsaw Convention and the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply to such claims including, but not limited to, the defence of Article 20 of the Warsaw Convention and Article 19 of the Montreal Convention, and the exoneration defence of Article 21 of the Warsaw Convention and Article 20 of the Montreal Convention, except that the carrier shall not invoke Article 22(2) and 22(3) of the Warsaw Convention in a manner inconsistent with paragraph (1) above. The limits of liability shall not apply in cases described in Article 25 of the Warsaw Convention or Article 22(5) of the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply.

### **Refund of baggage fees**

(2) Carrier will refund, upon request, to the passenger any fees paid for the transportation of the baggage that was damaged or lost if required by the APPR.

### Method used for refund

- (3) Refunds per (2) above will be made in conformity with Rule 125 (A), General, and (B), Involuntary refunds and will be paid to the person who paid for the baggage fees, and will be paid using the method used for the original payment, unless:
  - (a) the carrier has informed the person in writing of the monetary value of the baggage fees, and the availability of a refund by the method used for the original payment;
  - (b) the refund is offered in another form that does not expire; and,
  - (c) the person confirms, in writing, that the carrier has informed them of their right to receive the refund by the method used for the original payment and that the person has chosen to receive the refund in another form.

### **Refund deadline**

(4) Where a refund is required to be provided under this Rule, it will be provided within 30 days of receipt of the request for refund concerning damaged or lost baggage.

### Liability in the case of passenger delay

- (5) The carrier shall be liable for damage occasioned by delay in the carriage of passengers by air, as provided in the following paragraphs:
  - (a) The carrier shall not be liable if it proves that it and its servants and agents took all measures that could reasonably be required to avoid the damage, or that it was impossible for it or them to take such measures.
  - (b) Damages occasioned by delay are subject to the terms, limitations and defences set forth in the Warsaw Convention and the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply, in addition to any limitation or defence recognized by a Court with proper jurisdiction over a claim.
  - (c) The carrier reserves all defences and limitations available under the Warsaw Convention or the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply to claims for damage occasioned by delay, including, but not limited to, the exoneration defence of Article 21 of the Warsaw Convention and Article 20 of the Montreal Convention. Under the Montreal Convention, the liability of the carrier for damage caused by delay is limited to 6,303 Special Drawing Rights per passenger. The limits of liability shall not apply in cases described in Article 25 of the Warsaw Convention or Article 22(5) of the Montreal Convention, whichever may apply.

### Liability in the case of death or bodily injury of a passenger

- (6) The carrier shall be liable under <u>Article 17 of the Warsaw Convention</u> or the <u>Montreal</u> <u>Convention</u>, whichever may apply, for recoverable compensatory damages sustained in the case of death or bodily injury of a passenger, as provided in the following paragraphs:
  - (a) The carrier shall not be able to exclude or limit its liability for damages not exceeding 151,880 Special Drawing Rights for each passenger.
  - (b) The carrier shall not be liable for damages to the extent that they exceed 151,880 Special Drawing Rights for each passenger if the carrier proves that:
    - (i) Such damage was not due to the negligence or other wrongful act or omission of the carrier or its servants or agents; or
    - Such damage was solely due to the negligence or other wrongful act or omission of a third party;
  - (c) The carrier reserves all other defences and limitations available under the <u>Warsaw Convention</u> or the <u>Montreal Convention</u>, whichever may apply, to such claims including, but not limited to, the exoneration defence of <u>Article 21 of the</u> <u>Warsaw Convention</u> and <u>Article 20 of the Montreal Convention</u>, except that the carrier shall not invoke <u>Articles 20 and 22(1) of the Warsaw Convention</u> in a manner inconsistent with paragraphs (1) and (2) above.
  - (d) With respect to third parties, the carrier reserves all rights of recourse against any other person, including, without limitation, rights of contribution and indemnity.

The carrier agrees that, subject to applicable law, recoverable compensatory damages for such claims may be determined by reference to the laws of the country of the domicile or country of permanent residence of the passenger.

- (7) In cases of bodily injury or death, the carrier shall make an advance payment where the carrier determines it is necessary to meet the immediate economic needs of, and hardship suffered by, a passenger as provided in the following paragraphs:
  - (a) Unless a dispute arises over the identity of the person to whom an advance payment shall be made, the carrier shall, without delay, make the advance payment to the passenger in an amount or amounts determined by the carrier in its sole discretion. In the event of death of a passenger, the amount of the advance payment shall not be less than 16,000 Special Drawing Rights, which

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shall be paid to a representative of the passenger's next of kin eligible to receive such advance payment as determined by the carrier in its sole discretion.

- (b) The carrier shall make the advance payment as an advance against the carrier's liability under the <u>Warsaw Convention</u>, or the <u>Montreal Convention</u>, whichever may apply. An advance payment shall not constitute recognition of liability. An advance payment shall be offset against, or deducted from the payment of, any settlement or judgment with respect to any claim for compensation on behalf of the passenger.
- (c) The carrier, in making an advance payment, does not waive any rights, defences, or limitations available under the <u>Warsaw Convention</u>, or the <u>Montreal Convention</u>, whichever may apply, to any claim, nor shall acceptance of an advance payment constitute a release of any claim, whatsoever, by any person.
- (d) The carrier, in making an advance payment, preserves its right to seek contribution or indemnity from any other person for such payment, which shall not be deemed to be a voluntary contribution or contractual payment on the part of the carrier.
- (e) The carrier may recover an advance payment from any person where it is proven that the carrier is not liable for any damage sustained by the passenger, or where it is proven that the person was not entitled to receive the payment, or where and to the extent that it is proven that the person who received the advance payment caused, or contributed to, the damage.

# (C) Time limitations on claims and actions

- (1) Under the <u>Warsaw Convention</u> and the <u>Montreal Convention</u>, whichever may apply, an action for damages must be brought within two years from the date of arrival at the destination, or from the date on which the aircraft ought to have arrived, or from the date on which the carriage stopped.
- (2) A complaint to the carrier must be made in writing to the carrier within 7 days from the date of receipt in the case of damage to baggage, and 21 days in the case of delay from which the baggage has been placed at the passenger's disposal.
- (3) Claims may be subject to proof of amount of loss and passengers may be asked to substantiate their claims.

(4) In all cases of claims presented due to pilfered checked baggage allegedly violated, the passenger must be informed that must present a criminal complaint at the police authorities, under penalty of not pursue the presented complaint.

### (D) Claims regarding delays, cancellations or denied boarding

- (1) Passengers must submit claims made regarding delays, cancellations or denied boarding directly to the carrier and allow the carrier 30 days or such time as prescribed by applicable law (whichever is the shorter time period) to respond directly to them before engaging third parties to claim on their behalf.
- (2) The carrier will not process claims submitted by a third party if the passenger concerned has not submitted the claim directly to the carrier and allowed the carrier time to respond, in accordance with the above.
- (3) In the event that a passenger does not have the capacity or the ability to submit a claim personally, the legal guardian or a representative of said passenger may submit a claim to the carrier on the passenger's behalf. The carrier may request evidence that the legal guardian or the representative has authority to submit a claim on the passenger's behalf.
- (4) A passenger may submit a claim to the carrier on behalf of other passengers on the same booking. The carrier may request evidence that the passenger has the consent of other passengers on the booking to submit a claim on their behalf.
- (5) The carrier will not process claims submitted by a third party unless the claim is accompanied by appropriate documentation duly evidencing the authority of the third party to act on behalf of the passenger.
- (6) Passengers are not prohibited by this clause from consulting legal or other third-party advisers before submitting their claim directly to the carrier.
- (7) Any payment or refund will be made by cheque, email transfer or bank transfer directly to the passenger, at the choice of the carrier. The carrier may request evidence that the bank account is held by the passenger concerned.
- (8) The passenger or his legal guardian commits not to assign any right to compensation, damages or refund that he could hold against the carrier. Subject to the applicable law, any assignment of the passenger's rights to compensation, damages or refund shall be deemed null and void.

(9) In the case of a compensation claim under APPR, the passenger must submit the claim to the carrier before the first anniversary of the day on which the flight delay or cancellation occurred.

# (E) Notices

(1) The carrier will provide each passenger whose transportation is governed by the <u>Warsaw Convention</u> or the <u>Montreal Convention</u> with the following notice:

### Advice to International Passengers on Carrier Liability

Passengers on a journey involving an ultimate destination or a stop in a country other than the country of departure are advised that international treaties known as the <u>Montreal Convention</u>, or its predecessor, the <u>Warsaw Convention</u>, including its amendments, may apply to the entire journey, including any portion thereof within a country. For such passengers, the treaty, including special contracts of carriage embodied in applicable tariffs, governs and may limit the liability of the carrier in respect of death or injury to passengers, and for destruction or loss of, or damage to, baggage, and for delay of passengers and baggage.

- (2) Mobility aids are considered as baggage for transportation on an international service for purposes of limits of liability. The air carrier will advise the person of the option to make a special declaration of interest, under Article 22(2) of the Montreal Convention or under Article 22(2) of the Warsaw Convention, that sets out the monetary value of the mobility aid and a description of its identifying features.
- (3) The carrier will permit a person with a disability the option to make the special declaration of interest at any time before the mobility aid is removed by the carrier for storage in the aircraft's baggage compartment.

# Rule 125: Refunds

# (A) General

- (1) The passenger must present to the carrier or its authorized agent the unused flight coupons of a ticket, an itinerary/receipt, a record locator, or a reservation number as satisfactory proof that the passenger has unused portions of a ticket which are eligible for refund, or the passenger is entitled to a refund for the difference in cost for a lower class of service, or has a receipt demonstrating payment of additional services purchased but not used.
- (2) The carrier will make a refund to the person who purchased the ticket or the additional services.
- (3) If, at the time of the purchase of the ticket or the additional services, the purchaser designates another person to whom the refund shall be made, then the refund will be made to the person so designated. To do so, the purchaser must contact the carrier directly.

### **Refund deadline**

(4) Where a refund is required to be provided pursuant to the APPR, it will be provided within 30 days after the day on which the carrier becomes obligated to provide the refund.

### Method used for refund

- (5) Where a refund is required to be provided pursuant to the APPR, it will be paid to the person who purchased the ticket or the additional service, and will be paid using the method used for the original payment, unless:
  - (a) the carrier has informed the person in writing of the monetary value of the original ticket or additional service, and the availability of a refund by the method used for the original payment;
  - (b) the refund is offered in another form that does not expire; and,
  - (c) the person confirms, in writing, that the carrier has informed them of their right to receive the refund by the method used for the original payment and that the person has chosen to receive the refund in another form.

### (B) Involuntary refunds

- (1) Involuntary refunds for additional services purchased are not subject to any restrictions and the carrier will refund the entire value of the additional service paid.
- (2) Involuntary refunds are not subject to any restrictions contained in the applicable fare rule.
- (3) If no portion of the ticket has been used, the refund will be the full amount of the fare and charges paid, in case of a:
  - (a) delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control, within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes (as governed by Rule 90: Delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control, Rule 91, Delay or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes); or,
  - (b) denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes (as governed by Rule 96, Denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes).
- (4) If a portion of the ticket has been used, the carrier will refund the unused portion of the ticket, prorated based on mileage in the case of a:
  - (a) delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control, within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes (as governed by Rule 90: Delay or cancellation outside the carrier's control, Rule 91, Delay or cancellation within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes); or,
  - (b) denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes (as governed by Rule 96, Denial of boarding within the carrier's control and within the carrier's control but required for safety purposes).

# (C) Voluntary refunds

 Voluntary refunds for additional services purchased are subject to any restrictions the carrier has stipulated in this tariff and a refund will be made in accordance with those associated restrictions.

- (2) Voluntary refunds will be based on the applicable fare at the time of ticket issuance, and the refund will be made in accordance with any restrictions contained in the applicable fare rule.
- (3) Voluntary refunds will be made only by the carrier which originally issued the ticket or its authorized agent.
- (4) If no portion of a ticket has been used, the refund will be full amount of the fare paid less any cancellation fee and/or service charge based on the fare purchased by the passenger.
- (5) If a portion of the ticket has been used, the refund will be an amount equal to the difference between the fare paid and the applicable fare for travel between the points for which the ticket has been used, less any cancellation fee and/or service charge based on the fare purchased by the passenger.

# (D) Time limit for requesting a refund

Requests for refunds relating to goods and services purchased but not used must made during the period of validity of the ticket.

# (E) Refunds in the case of death

When transportation is cancelled as a result of the death of the passenger, a member of the immediate family or travelling companion, the refund will apply as follows:

- (1) Refunds in the case of death are not subject to any restrictions contained in the applicable fare rules.
- (2) If no portion of a ticket has been used, the amount of refund will be equal to the fare and charges paid.
- (3) If a portion of the ticket has been used, the refund will be equal to the difference between the fare paid and the applicable fare for travel between the points for which the ticket has been used and will not be subject to any cancellation fee and/or service charge.
- (4) Refunds will only be made upon presentation of the unused coupon(s) and death certificate, or a copy duly executed by the competent authorities (i.e. those designated to issue a death certificate by the applicable laws of the country concerned), in the country in which the death occurred.

(5) In the case of death of the passenger, the refund will be made to the estate of the passenger.

# (F) Refusal to refund

(1) The carrier may refuse to refund the passenger's ticket if that ticket is presented for refund after its validity has expired.

1.1 Despite what is stated in number 1 above, for tickets involving international transportation, certain countries limit the amount of time the passenger may stay in a particular country without a visa or other official government documentation granting permission to stay for an extended period of time. As long as the passenger is able to prove that they have received government permission to remain in the country or is departing the country on another carrier or by other means of transport, they shall be provided with a refund for any unused coupon(s).