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Flight Safety Notification Dangerous Goods

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<u>Prohibition of E-Cigarettes and Other Battery-Powered</u> <u>Portable Electronic Smoking Devices</u>

Reason for Revision

Standardization of format to all Flight Safety Notifications.

Purpose

This FSN contains information prohibiting passengers and crew from carrying e-cigarettes and other battery-powered portable electronic smoking devices in checked baggage and from recharging the devices in aircraft cabins.

References

Addendum No.1 to ICAO's Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air, 2015-2016 edition.

Applicability

This applies to all Air Operators and/or agents on their behalf.

Effectivity

This FSN is effective immediately.

Background

Several incidents have been reported involving e-cigarette heating elements being accidentally activated and resulting in fires in checked baggage. As a result, ICAO has amended the 2015-

2016 edition of its Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (ICAO Doc 9284) prohibiting passengers and crew from carrying e-cigarettes and other battery-powered portable electronic smoking devices in checked baggage and from recharging the devices in aircraft cabins. This new ICAO requirement is contained in Addendum No. 1. to the Technical Instructions and became effective on the 15th of June, 2015.

Action

- (1) The Air Operator and/or agents acting on their behalf are to notify all passengers and crew that they are prohibited from carrying e-cigarettes and other battery-powered portable electronic smoking devices (including e-cigs, e-cigars, e-pipes, personal vaporisers, and electronic nicotine delivery systems) in checked baggage.
- (2) E-cigarettes and other battery-powered portable electronic smoking devices shall be carried by passengers or crew either in their carry-on baggage or on their position.
- (3) The recharging of e-cigarettes and other battery-powered portable electronic smoking devices and/or batteries on board the aircraft is prohibited.
- (4) The use of e-cigarettes and other battery-powered portable electronic smoking devices is not permitted within Jamaican airspace.

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