

**Aviation Security Directive**  
**ASD No 3 of 2008**  
**Subject: Prohibited Items List**

**With effect from 10 October 2008, this aviation Security Directive will repeal and replace Aviation Security Directive 02/07 dated 22 February 2007 on “screening of liquids, aerosols and gels” and will be valid until further notice.**

**1.0 Introduction**

1.1 This Aviation Security Directive is issued pursuant to section 19 of the civil Aviation (Security) Regulations 2008.

**2.0 Applicability**

2.1 The arrangements listed below apply to the restrictions on the admissibility of articles prohibited in the cabin of an aircraft and in the security restricted area for security reasons and on liquid, aerosol and gel which passengers are allowed to take through any cabin baggage screening point at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport.

2.2 The arrangements apply to domestic and international passengers and will become in force as from 10 October 2008.

**3.0 Articles Prohibited in the cabin of an aircraft and in the security restricted area for security Reasons**

3.1 Please refer to items listed at **Annex** to this Directive

**4.0 Liquids, Aerosols and Gels (LAGS)**

4.1 With regards to items such as liquids, gels, aerosols etc., which passengers may wish to take through a screening point into the airside waiting area, the following security control measures will be exercised:

- a) All liquids must be carried in containers with a capacity not greater than 100 ml. Liquids carried in containers larger than 100 ml will not be accepted, even if the container is partly filled;
- b) Containers must be placed in a transparent re-sealable bag of a maximum capacity not exceeding 1 litre (or equivalent).  
The containers must fit comfortably within the transparent bag, which must be completely closed;

- c) The plastic bag must be presented for visual examination at the screening point. Only one transparent plastic bag per passenger will be permitted.
  - d) Exemptions apply:
    - (i) to medications, baby milk/ foods and special dietary requirements. An appropriate and proportionate means of verifying the nature of such liquids may be required; and
    - (ii) in respect of liquids purchased at the airport duty free shops on the condition that the liquid is packed in a sealed bag that is both temper-evident and displays satisfactory proof of purchase at airport duty free shops, on the day(s) of the journey.
  - e) To facilitate screening and avoid a cluttered x-ray machine, such plastic bags containing liquid containers must be presented separate from other cabin baggage, coats and jackets or laptops for x-ray screening.
- 4.2 These measures should not result in the improper placing of dangerous goods in the hold, thereby compromising airside safety.
- 5.0 Transit passengers
- 5.1 Aircraft operators are required to inform passengers in transit that purchases of liquid items may be confiscated at transfer airports.

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**ARTICLES PROHIBITED IN THE CABIN OF AN AIRCRAFT AND IN THE SECURITY RESTRICTED AREA FOR SECURITY REASONS**

**A) GUNS, FIREARMS AND OTHER DEVICES THAT DISCHARGE PROJECTILES**

Devices designed to cause serious injury by discharging a projectile, or capable of being mistaken for such devices, including:

- Firearms of all types, including pistols, revolvers, rifles, shotguns
- Toy guns, replicas and imitation firearms capable of being mistaken for real weapons
- Component parts of firearms (excluding telescopic sights)
- Compressed air and CO<sub>2</sub> guns, including pistols, pellet guns, rifles and ball bearing guns
- Signal flare pistols and starter pistols
- Bows, cross bows and arrows
- Harpoon guns and spear guns
- Slingshots and catapults

**B) STUNNING DEVICES**

Devices designed specifically to stun or immobilize, including:

- Devices for shocking, such as stun guns (e.g. teasers) and stun batons
- Animal stunners and animal killers
- Disabling and incapacitating chemicals, gases and sprays, such as mace, pepper or capsicum spray, tear gas, acid sprays and animal repellent sprays

**C) OBJECTS WITH SHARP POINTS OR SHARP EDGES**

Objects with a sharp point or sharp edge capable of being used to cause serious injury, including:

- Items designed for chopping, such as axes, hatchets and cleavers
- Ice axes and ice picks
- Razor blades, box cutters
- Knives with blades of more than 6cm
- Scissors with blades of more than 6cm as measured from the fulcrum
- Martial arts equipment with sharp points or sharp edges
- Swords and sabers

**D) WORKERS TOOLS**

Tools capable of being used either to cause serious injury or to threaten the safety of aircraft, including

- Crowbars
- Drills and drill bits, including cordless portable power drills
  - Tools with blades or shafts more than 6cm capable of use as weapons, such as screwdrivers, chisels
- Saws, including cordless portable power saws
- Blowtorches
- Bolt guns and nail guns

**E) BLUNT INSTRUMENTS**

Objects capable of being used to cause serious injury when used to hit, including:

- Baseball and softball bats
- Clubs and batons, such as billy clubs, blackjacks and night sticks
- Martial arts equipment

**F) EXPLOSIVES AND INCENDIARY SUBSTANCES AND DEVICES**

Explosive or incendiary substances or devices capable of being used to cause serious injury or threatening the safety of the aircraft, including:\_\_\_\_\_

- Ammunition
- Blasting caps
- Detonators and fuses
- Replica or imitation explosive devices
- Mines, grenades and other explosives military stores
- Pyrotechnics, including fireworks
- Smoke-generating canisters or cartridges
- Dynamite, gunpowder and plastic explosives

**ARTICLES IN BAGGAGE PROHIBITED IN THE HOLD OF AN AIRCRAFT FOR SAFETY REASONS**

**EXPLOSIVES AND INCENDIARY SUBTANCES AND DEVICES**

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**Ammunition\***

**Blasting caps**

**Detonators and fuses**

**Mines, grenades and other explosives military stores**

**Pyrotechnics, including fireworks**

**Smoke-generating canisters or cartridges**

**Dynamite, gunpowder and plastic explosives**

*\*Note: With the approval of the operator, certain cartridges may be permitted for transport in checked baggage under conditions specified in Part 8, Chapter 1, paragraph 1.1,2 of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284)*.*