



PASSENGER CABIN SAFETY BRIEFINGS

Passenger safety briefings promote safety and are conducted and completed pre-take-off, pre-landing and in preparation for emergency landings. There are a variety of ways to present passenger safety briefings. Some operators use audio or digital pre-departure video safety briefings. Each crewmember is responsible for the delivery of the pre-departure safety briefing and necessary emergency announcements. The PIC is the final authority regarding safety briefings. Some operational procedures require one of the pilots to provide the pre-departure briefing otherwise, the cabin attendant may be permitted or required to provide the briefing.

Pre-takeoff passenger safety briefings are required by regulations as follows:

- **FAR Part 91:** safety briefing before every taxi/takeoff unless the PIC is assured all aboard have been previously briefed. Therefore, it can be waived by the PIC.
- **FAR Part 91 K:** safety briefing before every taxi/takeoff.
- **FAR Part 125:** safety briefing before every taxi/takeoff.
- **FAR Part 135:** safety briefing before every taxi/takeoff.
- **CAR 604:** safety briefing required every taxi/takeoff. The briefing can be shortened for passengers who have previously been briefed on the specific aircraft type they are traveling on.
- **EU-OPS 1:** safety briefing required before taxi/takeoff.
- **Gulfstream G550:** safety briefing before each taxi/takeoff.

Passenger Briefing Checklist:

- Emergency Exit location - Main Cabin Door
- Window Exit location(s)
- Oxygen System and Masks
- Use of Seat belts
- Life Vests
- Life Rafts & Survival Equipment
- Fire Extinguishers
- Smoke Hoods (if applicable)
- First Aid Kit/AED locations
- Seat positions for takeoff/landing
- Table positions for takeoff/landing
- If beds are prepared, seated positions for takeoff/landing
- FAA regulations on smoking and smoke detectors in lavatory



9-POINT PASSENGER SAFETY BRIEFING - §135.117

Before each takeoff the PIC of an airplane carrying passengers shall ensure that all passengers have been orally briefed on the following nine points -

1) Smoking - Each passenger shall be briefed on when, where, and under what conditions smoking is prohibited. This briefing shall include a statement that the Federal Aviation Regulations require passenger compliance with the lighted passenger information signs (if such signs are required), posted placards, areas designated for safety purposes as no smoking areas, and crewmember instructions with regard to these items. The briefing shall also include a statement (if the aircraft is equipped with a lavatory) that Federal law prohibits: tampering with, disabling, or destroying any smoke detector installed in an aircraft lavatory; smoking in lavatories; and, when applicable, smoking in passenger compartments.

2) The use of safety Belts - including instructions on how to fasten and unfasten the safety belts. Each passenger shall be briefed on when, where, and under what conditions the safety belt must be fastened about that passenger. This briefing shall include a statement that the Federal Aviation Regulations require passenger compliance with lighted passenger information signs and crewmember instructions concerning the use of safety belts.

3) Seat Backs - The placement of seat backs in an upright position before takeoff and landing;

4) Exits - Location and means for opening the passenger entry door and emergency exits;

5) Location of survival equipment;

6) Ditching Equipment - If the flight involves extended overwater operation, ditching procedures and the use of required flotation equipment. Use of life preservers, ditching procedures and emergency exit from the aircraft in the event of a ditching; and the location and use of life rafts and other life preserver devices if applicable;

7) Oxygen Use - If the flight involves operations above 12,000 feet MSL, the normal and emergency use of oxygen; and

8) Fire Extinguishers - Location and operation of fire extinguishers.

9) Special Needs Passengers - [excerpt] Before each takeoff the PIC shall ensure that each person who may need the assistance of another person to move expeditiously to an exit if an emergency occurs and that person's attendant, if any, has received a briefing as to the procedures to be followed if an evacuation occurs.