

Exit Seating

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations (14CFR, Part 121) outline specific policies and procedures U.S. air carriers must follow concerning exit seating in aircraft. The following content of the rules is being provided for your information and guidance.

RESTRICTIONS

No air carrier may seat a person in a designated exit seat if it is likely that the person would be unable to perform one or more of the applicable functions listed under REQUIREMENTS below because—

- 1. The person lacks sufficient mobility, strength, or dexterity in both arms and hands, and both legs to:
 - (A) reach upward, sideways, and downward to the location of emergency exit and exit slide operating mechanisms;
 - (B) grasp and push, pull, turn, or otherwise manipulate those mechanisms;
 - (C) push, shove, pull or otherwise open emergency exits;
 - (D) lift out, hold, deposit on nearby seats, or maneuver over the seatbacks to the next row objects the size and weight of over-wing window exit doors (approximately 24 1/4" x 39" and up to 53 lbs.);
 - (E) remove obstructions similar in size and weight to over-wing exit doors (approximately 24 1/4" x 39" and up to 53 lbs.);
 - (F) reach the emergency exit expeditiously;
 - (G) maintain balance while removing obstructions;
 - (H) exit expeditiously;
 - (I) stabilize an escape slide after deployment, or
 - (J) assist others in getting off an escape slide, or
- 2. The person is less than 15 years of age, or
- 3. The person lacks the capacity to perform one or more of the applicable functions without the assistance of an adult companion, parent, or other relative, or
- 4. The persons lacks the ability to read and understand instructions related to emergency evacuation provided by the air carrier in printed or graphic form or the ability to understand oral crew commands, or
- 5. The person lacks sufficient visual capacity to perform one or more of the applicable functions without the assistance of visual aids beyond contact lenses or eyeglasses, or
- 6. The person lacks sufficient aural capacity to hear and understand instructions shouted by crew members without assistance beyond a hearing aid, or
- 7. The person lacks the ability to convey information orally to other passengers, or
- 8. The person has (a) a condition or responsibilities, such as caring for small children, that might prevent the person from performing one or more of the applicable functions: or (b) a condition that might cause the person harm if he or she performs one or more of the applicable functions.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SITTING IN EXIT SEATS

In the event of an emergency in which a crew member is not available to assist in an evacuation of the aircraft, a passenger occupying an exit seat may be asked to perform the following functions:

- 1. Locate the emergency exit;
- 2. Recognize the emergency exit opening mechanism;

(See reverse side for additional information.)

- 3. Comprehend the instructions for operating the emergency exit;
- 4. Operate the emergency exit;
- 5. Assess whether opening the emergency exit will increase the hazards to which passengers may be exposed;
- 6. Follow oral directions and hand signals given by crew member;
- 7. Stow or secure the emergency exit door so that it will not impede use of the exit;
- 8. Assess the condition of an escape slide, activate the slide, and stabilize the slide after deployment to assist others in getting off the slide;
- 9. Pass expeditiously through the emergency exit; and
- 10. Assess, select, and follow a safe path away from the emergency exit and aircraft.

Any passengers assigned an exit seat may request reseating if they:

- 1. Cannot meet the selection criteria above:
- 2. Have a nondiscernible condition that will prevent them from performing the applicable functions;
- 3. May suffer bodily harm as a result of performing one or more of the applicable functions;
- 4. Do not wish to perform these functions.

If you would like to change your seat for a non-exit seat, please see the Northwest gate agent or flight attendant.

Your understanding and compliance with these FAA regulations will be appreciated. Thank you.

If you cannot read and understand the information on this form, please advise the Northwest agent or flight attendant. U.S. government regulations prohibit an individual from sitting in a designated exit seat if they cannot speak, read or understand the instructions.

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