



## REPUBLIC of SAN MARINO CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

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### SAFETY NOTICE

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#### PROCEDURES FOR RECOGNITION & REPORTING OF SUSPECTED COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Persons affected - Operators and flight crewmembers

As all operators are aware, there have been recent outbreaks of communicable diseases such as Ebola, MERS and bird flu. The spread of these diseases can be exacerbated by air travel.

ICAO Annex 9 paragraph 8.15 states "The pilot-in-command of an aircraft shall ensure that a suspected communicable disease is reported promptly to air traffic control, in order to facilitate provision for the presence of any special medical personnel and equipment necessary for the management of public health risks on arrival."

The CAA will be amending its operating regulations to make this ICAO Standard a requirement for all private and commercial operators of San Marino registered aircraft. A Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) to CAR OPS 1/2/3 will be developed and sent to all operators later this year.

In the meantime operators are required to ensure that a procedure exists in the appropriate section of their Operations Manual for the crew to;

- (a) evaluate a traveller with a suspected communicable disease, based on the presence of a fever and certain other signs or symptoms (see below).
- (b) report promptly to air traffic control (ATC) a suspected communicable disease, with transmission of the following information:
  - (1) Aircraft identification;
  - (2) Departure aerodrome;
  - (3) Destination aerodrome;
  - (4) Estimated time of arrival;
  - (5) Number of persons on board;
  - (6) Number of suspected case(s) on board; and
  - (7) Nature of the public health risk, if known.
- (c) include the transmission, as required, of a General Declaration form to the State authorities under the Declaration of Health Section as described below.



*Declaration of Health*

*Name and seat number or function of persons on board with illnesses other than airsickness or the effects of accidents, who may be suffering from a communicable disease (a fever — temperature 38°C/100°F or greater — associated with one or more of the following signs or symptoms, e.g. appearing obviously unwell; persistent coughing; impaired breathing; persistent diarrhoea; persistent vomiting; skin rash; bruising or bleeding without previous injury; or confusion of recent onset, increases the likelihood that the person is suffering a communicable disease) as well as such cases of illness disembarked during a previous stop.*

All operators are to amend their Operations Manual accordingly. This safety notice will remain in effect pending the amendment to operating regulations.

In the interests of flight safety,

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Director General

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