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SMOKING BAN ON INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER FLIGHTS

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The hazards and health risks of smoking to smokers and to non-smokers in the vicinity of smokers is well documented. Smoke in addition to being a health risk, is an irritant and an inconvenience particularly in confined areas, such as an aircraft cabin.
- 1.2 The awareness of the public to the risks of smoking has focussed the general consensus of the aviation community to take measures to reduce the harmful effects of smoke in the cabin.

2.0 APPLICABILITY

- 2.1 This circular is applicable to all aircraft operated under Maldivian Air Operators Certificate (AOC).

3.0 COMPLIANCE

- 3.1 Smoking shall not be permitted on any international passenger flights undertaken by any Maldivian AOC holder.
- 3.2 The non-smoking sign shall remain illuminated at all times during the flight.
- 3.3 The crew of the aircraft shall make an announcement, both in Dhivehi and English at the commencement of every flight, informing all passengers that smoking is prohibited.
- 3.4 Compliance is mandatory with effect from 1 January 2000.

4.0 EFFECTIVITY

- 4.1 This circular becomes effective forthwith.

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