



AIR TRANSPORT CIRCULAR

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REVISION TO AIRPORT FEE

1.0 GENERAL

1.1 The 10th amendment to Law Number 71/78 revising the Airport Service Charge has been ratified by the President on 10 November 2009 as passed by the Parliament on 02 November 2009.

1.2 The 10th amendment to the Law number 71/78 is ratified as Law number 10/2009.

2.0 PURPOSE

2.1 The purpose of this Circular is to advise the airlines and the relevant authorities of the provisions and application of the Law and make necessary arrangements to include the revised Airport Services Charge under Airport Fee (BQ)

3.0 REQUIREMENT

3.1.1 Law number 10/2009 stipulates;

a) Each passenger departing from an airport in the Republic of Maldives to a foreign destination shall pay a charge as Airport Service Charge as follows;

1. Foreign Nationals; United States Dollar 18.50
2. Maldivian Nationals; United States Dollar 12.00

b) Airport Service Charge may be paid in Maldivian Rufiyaa or in a foreign currency accepted by the Maldives Monetary Authority

c) Exemptions;

- Persons with diplomatic immunity
- Foreign Officials of Government Ministerial level and above,
- Passengers who transit Maldives for a period not exceeding 24 hours during his/her journey from one country to another
- Infants under 2 years of age

- 3.1.2 Law number 10/2009 will be effective from 10th day of May 2010.
- 3.2 The existing Insurance Surcharge of United States Dollar 2.00 per passenger departing from an international airport in the Republic of Maldives to a foreign destination remains unchanged.
- 3.3 Therefore, all Foreign and Maldivian nationals departing from an international airport in the Republic of Maldives to a foreign destination on or after 10th May 2010, shall pay a charge called "Airport Fee (BQ)" as stated below with the exemptions stated in paragraph 3.1.1 (c);
- Foreign Nationals; United States Dollar 20.50
Maldivian Nationals; United States Dollar 14.00
- 3.5 Airlines operating international flights to/from airports in the Maldives are advised to take all necessary steps to include the revised Airport Fee (BQ) in the tickets issued and/or travel on or after 10th May 2010 at point of sale.
- 3.6 All Airlines or Airline Representatives are kindly requested to liaise with airport operators for conclusion of appropriate arrangement to resolve financial transactions pertaining to above.
- 4.0 **APPLICABILITY**
- 4.1 This Circular will come into effect on the 10th day of May 2010 and will supersede Air Transport Circular No. 69-CA-C/CIR/2004/01 dated 06 May 2004.
- 4.2 The requirements in this Circular apply to all airlines operating international flights to/from the Maldives, all international airports and air transport sales agents.



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