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PASSENGER SAFETY INFORMATION CARDS

1. **PURPOSE:** These recommendations are to aid the air transport industry in providing standard passenger safety information cards for use on commercial passenger carrying aircraft.
2. **GENERAL PRESENTATION REQUIREMENTS:**
 - 2.1 **Design and Location:** The safety information card shall be designed and located so that the seated passenger will be able to see, and have access to, the card when placed in its normal location aboard the aircraft. It shall not be possible for the card in this location to slip out of sight of the passenger.
 - 2.2 **Content:** The safety information card shall provide the information described in paragraphs 3.1 through 3.9. For aircraft which carry equipment for extended overwater flights, the information in paragraphs 4.1 through 4.4 shall also be provided. The primary mode of presentation shall be pictorial. The information on the card shall apply only to the type and model airplane on which it is used.
3. **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**
 - 3.1 **No Smoking:** Instructions not to smoke shall be provided on each section of the safety card where appropriate.
 - 3.2 **Safety Belts:** Instructions for fastening, tightening, and unfastening safety belts shall be provided.
 - 3.3 **Oxygen Masks:** Locations of oxygen masks shall be indicated. Instructions for quickly donning, adjusting and performing any actions necessary for initiating oxygen flow shall be provided. Instructions to help children don their masks only after the passenger has donned his own mask shall be provided.

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- 3.4 Brace Positions: Instructions on brace positions to be assumed by passengers shall be provided for all seat orientations used, i.e., forward, rearward, and sideward facing.
- 3.5 Individual Flotation Devices: Locations of flotation devices, and instructions on their use when in the water, shall be provided. If flotation vests are used, instructions for their removal from their stowed locations, opening the package, donning, using the manual and oral inflation backup systems, and the operation of survivor locator lights where manual operation of such lights is required, shall be provided. If flotation seat cushions or seat backs are available, instructions for using the straps and holding the cushion when in the water shall be provided.
- 3.6 Passenger Exit Awareness and Location - Land Evacuation: Locations of each of the emergency exits shall be indicated. Instructions on the most appropriate exit(s) to be used shall be provided. Determination of the most appropriate exit(s) for use by each passenger shall be based on at least the following four factors: a) the assumption of a full passenger load; b) the known evacuation rate for each exit; c) the relation of the passenger to each exit; and, d) the assumption that all emergency exits are usable. Passengers shall be instructed not to bring carry-on baggage to the exit. If passengers are to remove shoes they shall be instructed to remove them before reaching the exit.
- 3.7 Emergency Exit Operation: Instructions on how to open each type of emergency exit in the emergency mode shall be provided. If manual operations are needed to ensure a successful emergency evacuation (e.g., manual operation of the escape device), instructions on the additional operations shall be provided. The preferred placement of the removable hatch after an exit is opened (e.g., outside, on the seat) shall be depicted.
- 3.8 Use of Overwing Exit: Instructions to walk or run on any ramp that leads from an exit shall be provided. Direction and route of escape after leaving overwing exits shall be indicated.
- 3.9 Use of Evacuation Slide: Instructions to jump outward in the seated position, with legs extended, and not to sit (e.g., at the door sill) when entering the evacuation slide shall be provided.
4. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AIRCRAFT WHICH CARRY EQUIPMENT FOR EXTENDED OVERWATER FLIGHT: