

DHESC – Flying Section

Note on Passenger Flights : March 2007

1) Reference

See CAR 401.05 for Recency Requirements related to carrying passengers (5 take-offs and landings in the previous 6 months).

2) Guidelines for a safe and enjoyable passenger experience

(a) Passenger Safety Briefing

This is essential, before the flight, and should include

Smoking Limitations	No smoking anywhere near our aeroplanes or fuel tank
Seat belts	How to latch, adjust and unlatch them
Doors & Windows	How to operate them
ELT	Where it is located, and how it is used
First Aid Kit	Where it is located
Fire Extinguisher	Where it is located
What NOT to touch	Mixture control, Fuel selector, Propeller
Traffic Lookout	Tell the pilot if you see other aircraft nearby
If feeling unwell	Tell the pilot (know the location of airsickness bag)

(b) Passenger Enjoyment Briefing

This is optional and flexible, depending on the interest, knowledge, and previous experience of the passenger(s), but typical items could include

Flight Controls	How they work – elevator, aileron, rudder
Engine Controls	How they work – throttle, mixture, fuel selector, carb heat
Flight Instruments	What they show, how they work
Engine Instruments	What they show, how they work
Airspace Chart	What it shows, how we use it (locate passenger's home)
Radio Operation	How it is used

(c) In-Flight Experience

The content, scope & duration are flexible, depending on the interest, knowledge, and previous experience of the passenger(s), but some suggested items for the pilot in command (PIC) to keep in mind are

Initial Circuit	Sometimes a good idea, possibly with low overshoot
Familiar Landmarks	Good to point out (eg 401, 407, Wonderland)
Flight Controls	Demonstrate – 'inside' movement & 'outside' effect
Instrument Indications	Such as ASI, Altimeter, Compass, RPM
Enjoy the View !	Show the spectacular 'big picture' & long distance views

(d) Post-Flight Briefing

This is optional and flexible, but as a minimum the passenger(s) should be given a chance to ask questions about the flight, ideally before leaving the aeroplane (because it is often easiest to answer questions related to the aeroplane, at the aeroplane).