ICAO CART Public Health Measures

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ICAO CART REPORT

Representatives from **Member States**

Australia, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, France (CART Chairperson), Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States, and Zambia

Representatives from international and regional organizations UNWTO, WHO, AUC, EU/EASA, ACAO, ECAC, and LACAC

Representatives from **industry**ACI, CANSO, IATA, and ICCAIA

In accordance with the TOR approved by the Council during its 219th Session, CART was tasked to identify and recommend strategic priorities and policies to support States and industry based around three pillars:

- a) coping with the challenges faced by States and the civil aviation industry due to the COVID-19 pandemic in the immediate term;
- b) facilitating the restart of aviation operations in a safe, secure, sustainable, and orderly manner, as soon as practicable, taking into consideration the evolution of the pandemic and decisions by international and national public health authorities; and
- c) building a more resilient aviation system in the longer term.

CART held 5 meetings with 3 Drafting Groups

- CART/1 (29 April): Presentations by industry organizations, WHO and UNWTO; and establishment of 3 Drafting Groups (DGs)
- CART/2 (5 May): Review of work by DGs; and presentation by Secretariat on draft recovery plan outline and PHCC
- CART/3 (12 May): Finalization of work by DG 1; and review of work by DGs 2 & 3
- CART/4 (19 May): Finalization of work by DGs 2 & 3
- CART/5 (26 May): Review and finalization of CART report; and its communication/outreach

DG 1 (Rapporteur - Costa Rica): Key principles

DG 2 (Rapporteur - IATA): Key measures needed for recovery

DG 3: (Rapporteur - Colombia): Report template

Setting the Scene

- Key Principles
 - 10 key principles + risk-based and gradual approach
- A Flightplan for International Civil Aviation Restart and Recovery
 - Measures related to aviation safety, aviation public health, security and facilitation, as well as economic and financial measures
 - Regular monitoring and sharing of experiences through ICAO
 - 11 recommendations
- Building Resilience
- Way Forward

Take-off: Guidance for Air Travel through the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis

Guidance document annexed to the Report

- Public health risk mitigation measures
 - Generally applicable risk mitigation measures
 - Risk mitigation measures applicable in specific modules
- 4 Modules
- Airports
 - Aircraft
 - Crew
 - Cargo

- Forms and posters
 - Crew COVID-19 status card (PHC Form 1)
 - Aircraft COVID-19 disinfection control sheet (PHC Form 2)
 - Airport COVID-19 cleaning / disinfection control sheet (PHC Form 3)
 - Posters in staff rest areas

Aviation safety-related measures

Recommendation 1: During the global COVID-19 outbreak, Member States should continue updating COVID-19 Contingency Related Differences (CCRDs) in the Electronic Filing of Differences (EFOD) subsystem.

Recommendation 2: Member States should avoid retaining any COVID-19 related alleviation measures as soon as normal operations are resumed. Differences that remain after the contingency, if any, should be filed in the EFOD system.

Recommendation 3: Member States should expedite the development of guidance for safety management of new operations or operation change during this crisis.

Aviation public health-related measures

Recommendation 4: Global and regional harmonization of procedures is essential to strengthen public and passenger confidence in air travel. To that end, Member States should establish aviation public health procedures aligned with the guidance in the *Take-off: Guidance for Air Travel through the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis*.

Recommendation 5: In order to support the fastest possible return to normal aviation operations, Member States should regularly review the necessity of continuing the application of risk mitigation measures as the risk of COVID-19 transmission diminishes; and measures which are no longer needed should be discontinued.

Security- and facilitation-related measures

Recommendation 6: Member States that have not done so should immediately establish a National Air Transport Facilitation Committee (or equivalent) as required by Annex 9 to increase national level cross-sectoral coordination.

Recommendation 7: Member States should systematically use a Passenger Health Locator Form to ensure identification and traceability of passengers to help limit the spread of the disease and resurgence of the pandemic.

Recommendation 8: While temporarily adapting their security-related measures, using the guidance provided, Member States should strengthen their oversight system to ensure these measures are consistently applied with the objective of protecting aviation against acts of unlawful interference.

Recommendation 9: Member States should take measures to ensure that relevant personnel are provided training to identify and manage unruly passenger situations related to non-respect of essential aviation public health and safety measures.



Economic and financial measures

Recommendation 10: Member States should consider appropriate extraordinary emergency measures to support financial viability and to maintain an adequate level of safe, secure and efficient operations, which should be inclusive, targeted, proportionate, transparent, temporary and consistent with ICAO's policies, while striking an appropriate balance among the respective interests without prejudice to fair competition and compromising safety, security and environmental performance.

Regular monitoring and sharing of experiences through ICAO

Recommendation 11: Member States should facilitate information-sharing and exchange on their actions and best practices by contributing to an ICAO database of measures.

Recognizing the time pressure, all means and channels appropriate for the promotion and dissemination of this document need to be deployed to address the urgent need for a harmonized guidance across the civil aviation sector.

Communication expertise and network of ICAO's partners can be considered for such promotion.

Building resilience & Way forward

Building resilience

- High-level commitments
- International obligations
- Clear communication
- Support to States and regional communities
- Lessons learned

Way forward

- Flexible, progressive approach
- Diligent and consistent follow-up
- Monitor and assess the situation
- Closer and continuous collaboration

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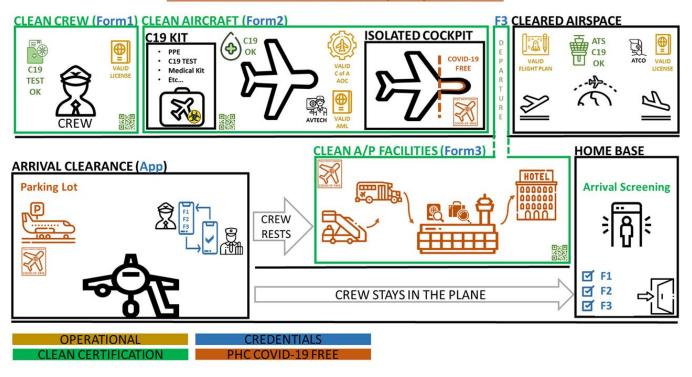
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ICAO CART "Take-off" Guidance for Air Travel through the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis

Public Health Corridor (PHC) Implementation Initiative

PUBLIC HEALTH CORRIDORS (PHC) CONCEPT



PHC considerations

Aeronautical considerations

- License Validity (training/medical)
 - Pilots
 - o ATCOs
 - Technicians
- Cleared airspace
- Maintenance of the A/C
 - C of A validity
 - Storage of A/C & Return to Service

Facilitation Considerations (Annex 9*)

- Entry and departure of aircraft
 - Exemptions/ Authorizations
- Aircraft documentation
 - General Declaration**
 - Passenger Locator Form**
 - Passenger manifest
 - Cargo manifest
- Travel documents and passenger data**
- Clean A/C (Certified)
 - Disinfection/ Cleaning of the a/c**
- Clean Facilities (Certified)
 - Dedicated COVID parking lots
 - Dedicated COVID handling procedures
 - Dedicated COVID lanes for border control/security

Public Health Considerations (CAPSCA)**

- Implementation
 - International Health Regulations*
 - Communicable disease outbreak national aviation plan*
 - National facilitation plans*
 - Incremental guidelines cargo, humanitarian, repatriation, passengers
- Clean Crew (Certified)
 - Pre-Checks/Tests
 - o COVID19 kit
- Clean Facilities (Certified)
 - Airport certification
 - Transport modes
 - Dedicated COVID accommodation
- Clean Passenger

PASSENGER CONFIDENCE

- Ensure continued flight operations with minimal restrictions on aircraft operations
- Prevent the spread of COVID-19 through air travel
- Protect the health and safety of crew and passengers
- Coordinated approach with harmonized procedures and requirements
 - ✓ CART Report
 - ✓ CART Take-off: Guidance for Air Travel through the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis
 - ✓ CAPSCA COVID-19 Guidance material: Flight crew & Essential Cargo Operations
 - ✓ Regulatory certainty COVID-19 Contingency Related Differences (CCRD)
 - ✓ Quick Reference Guides (QRGs)

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ICAO EUR/NAT actions to assist implementation of CART recommendations

Supporting implementation
Regional coordination and harmonisation
Monitoring and reporting



- Daily COVID-19 updates for Civil Aviation Authorities and Public Health professionals, through CAPSCA EUR network
 - Situation reports, official guidelines, recommendations, studies, etc.
- Weekly EUR/NAT updates for COVID-19 restrictions, through CAPSCA **EUR** network
- Access to expert technical advice (ICAO CAPSCA, WHO)
- Regular coordination teleconferences for the CAPSCA EUR network (CAPSCA EUR Officers and States' CAPSCA focal points)
- Regular teleconferences of the EASPG, NAT SPG and ENAVSECG and direct communications with States to assist in crisis response measures

Supporting implementation of the CART recommendations

Webinars

- CART recommendations promotion and support
- PH/CAPSCA principles for CAA and PH professionals



- CAPSCA technical assistance missions to States and designated international airports (IHR 2005):
 - Assess compliance with WHO (IHR 2005) and ICAO (Annexes 6, 9, 11,14)
 - Evaluate emergency planning, emergency operations center, infrastructure for the airports and all involved stakeholders.
- CAPSCA online training course EUR/NAT and JAA TO (ICAO RTCE)
 developed a dedicated course for CAPSCA technical advisors which is offered
 by the ICAO Global Aviation Training Office.



AVSEC guidelines for aviation security contingency measures during COVID-19 pandemic

Implementation support:

- Improve the understanding of Annex 9 SARPs
- Establishment and use of a National Air Transport Facilitation Committee (NATFC) and its duties as cross sectoral coordination entity (CAA, Health, Customs, Immigration, etc.)
- Cross sectoral cooperation AVSEC-FAL via NATFC and National Civil Aviation Security Committee (NCASC)

Regional coordination, harmonisation, monitoring and reporting

- CAPSCA EUR meeting in cooperation with EASA (Cologne, October 2020)
- Coordination for the implementation and monitoring of the measures with International Organizations(e.g. WHO, WTO, IATA, ACI) and regional organizations (e.g. EC DG Santé, EASA, ECDC)
- ENAVSECG ad hoc teleconference on COVID -19 related issues (12 June 2020)
- ENAVSECG/08 (6-9 October 2020)
- Regular EASPG and NAT SPG teleconferences



