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What about the Cabin Crew?

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779 unions representing over 4,668,950 transport workers in 155 countries

Civil Aviation Section

650,000 aviation workers ground staff and air traffic workers cabin crew in 275 unions in 168 countries

Cabin Crew

We are required to be onboard the aircraft for emergency purposes! We are first responders We are trained to handle smoke & fire We are trained in medical emergencies We are trained to evacuate passengers quickly and safely We are security personnel

Cabin Crew Fatigue

Fatigue for cabin crew is similar to fatigue for pilots

"They don't cause accidents...

Things we do can have safety ramifications

Cabin Crew Fatigue

Flight attendant fatigue poses a potentially dangerous risk to aviation safety!

- "I forgot to arm my evacuation slides"
- "I was pulled over by the police for drunk driving"

Yet, just prior to that it was okay for the flight attendant to <u>operate emergency</u> equipment (per the US FAA regulations)

Concerns

Table 4.2d: ICAO Risk Tolerability Matrix

Suggested Criteria	Assessment Risk Index	Suggested Criteria
Intolerable Region	5A, 5B, 5C 4A, 4B, 3A	Unacceptable under the existing circumstances
Tolerable Region	5D, 5E, 4C, 4D, 4E, 3B, 3C, 3D 2A, 2B, 2C	Acceptable based on risk mitigation. May require management decision
Acceptable Region	3E, 2D, 2E, 1A 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E	Acceptable

Conclusion

Science can assist – but it should be in addition to and complement mandatory maximum duty and minimum rest requirements

