

16/09/10

Re: <u>Verification of Compliance with security requirements for flights</u> operating to Israel

Dear Sir/ Madam,

The security department of the Israeli Ministry of Transport requires the implementation of all "high risk" security measures for all flights operating to Israel. The enhanced security measures required for "high risk" flights are essential to facilitate and expedite more stringent measures providing and adequate level of protection to meet the threat. All operators of commercial flights serving to Israeli airports are required to give priority attention to comply with the following security measures for "high risk" flights.

Screening of Passengers

All departing, transit and interline passengers should be screened to prevent explosive devices and weapons from being introduced into the security restricted areas and on board an aircraft. Where Walk-Through-Metal-Detection equipment is used there shall also be a continuous random hand search of screened passengers. Such hand searches shall be carried out on all passengers who cause the equipment to alarm, as well as a continuous random search which shall be carried out on those passengers who do not cause the equipment to alarm for the detection of explosives and non-metallic weapons. If a metal detector alarm is activated, the person shall be required to take of all metallic objects he may carry and he should be screened again with Walk-Through-Metal- Detection equipment, or searched by hand where the support of a hand held metal detector is employed.

Where Walk-Through-Metal-Detection equipment is used, it shall be calibrated to such a level as to reasonably ensure that small metallic items are detected.

Screening of Cabin Baggage

The cabin baggage of all departing passengers i.e. originating and transfer passengers, shall be screened prior to being allowed into security restricted areas and on board an aircraft. Any prohibited articles shall be removed from the passenger's possession or the passenger denied access into the security restricted area or the aircraft as appropriate.

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Where carry-on is screened by conventional x-ray equipment, bags which alerts the operator concern due to clutter or complexity of their X-ray image should be searched by hand supported by use of Trace Detection Equipment. The cluttering items need to be taken out of the bag and the bag should be screened again to verify that the suspicion was indeed cleared.

It is strongly recommended to deploy High Definition x-ray equipment with TIP (Threat Image Projection) to verify the alertness of the operators.

Separation of Passengers

Screened departing passengers shall not mix in any way with any other arriving or departing passengers including passengers and their cabin baggage from EU countries that was not screened at the transfer airport prior to boarding an aircraft.

Where these passengers cannot be physically separated then the security screening should be deployed at the boarding gate.

Aircraft Security Search

After the designation of the aircraft for the flight to Israel and before the loading of catering, supplies and luggage, security staff shall deploy an 'aircraft security Search'.

'Aircraft Security Search': A thorough inspection of the interior and the exterior of the aircraft for the purpose of discovering prohibited articles.

Protection of Aircraft

Security measures should be deployed for controlling access to the parked aircraft from its designation for the flight to Israel and until its departure as follows:

- (a) Security guards should be posted to continuously guard the aircraft and the adjacent ramp area to prevent unauthorized access and to prevent introduction of threat articles on board of the aircraft.
- (b) All staff requiring access to the aircraft area shall be subjected to a security background check.
- (c) Security identification cards shall be issued to all requiring access to the aircraft area. The security identification card shall carry the name and photograph of the

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bearer and card shall be worn in a visible place, at all times while its holder is on duty at the aircraft area.

(d) ALL persons (including employees) and their accessible property should be screened immediately prior to accessing the aircraft.

Screening of Hold Baggage

All items of accompanied baggage, both originating and transfer hold baggage, shall be screened by one of the following methods, before being loaded onto an aircraft: (a) EDS; or (b) a multi-level PEDS. Sterility of the Baggage shall be maintained until such time as it is placed onboard, The Sterility of the Baggage shall be ensured by successive control of security staff.

Security Staff

People who are deployed to undertake security duties either as all or part of their employment, airport employees or certified private contractors, shall be approved or certified by the national appropriate authority as to their background check, selection, training and qualification.

Sincerely
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