



## **Responses to frequently-asked questions on the new IATA 'Cabin OK' optimum bag size guidelines**

The FAQs refer to this press release: <http://www.iata.org/pressroom/pr/Pages/2015-06-09-02.aspx>

**IATA is a standard-setting organization. Is this new carry-on size a new standard for the airline industry?**

No. Those who participate are not being asked to change their existing requirements. Some or all may continue to accept bags larger than those qualifying for the IATA Cabin OK logo.

**Is IATA seeking a new agreement among airlines regarding permissible carry-on luggage?**

No. Airlines will participate or not depending on their independent assessment of the program's value.

**Are there rules governing a participating airline's implementation of the program? For example, is IATA requiring participating airlines to remove and check non-Cabin OK bags in order to make room for the Cabin OK bags of late-boarding passengers?**

Other than agreeing to treat Cabin OK bags as acceptable as carry-ons, there are no rules governing airlines' implementation of the program. Airlines that choose to participate will also determine independently how best to take advantage of the program.

**My current carry-on is the same size as the new IATA Cabin OK bags. Do you have an IATA Cabin OK bag tag that I can attach to my bag?**

No. The only bags eligible for the IATA Cabin OK logo are those manufactured after the launch of the program by participating luggage makers in keeping with IATA Cabin OK specifications.

**My current carry-on is larger than IATA Cabin OK bags. Will airlines now insist that I check it? Will I have to buy a new, smaller carry-on?**

No. Each airline is free to set its own policy regarding baggage, but this new initiative is not expected to result in any sudden spate of baggage rule changes.