

Amendments to the Regulations of the Civil Aviation Law

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On June 29, 2020, the Ministry of Communications and Transportation published a decree in the Federal Official Gazette by means of which various provisions of the Regulations of the Civil Aviation Law were amended. The amendments will be effective 60 days after the date of publication of the decree in the Federal Official Gazette.

Following is a summary of the most relevant amendments to the Regulations.

Transportation of Domestic Animals

- All carriers transporting domestic animals must comply with certain standards set forth in the Regulations. Such standards include, among others, that domestic animals may only be transported aboard pressurized and heated cargo compartments, and that the pilot must be informed of the location of the cargo compartments containing domestic animals.
- Service animals, including guide and emotional-support dogs, may be transported in the passenger's cabin, without any additional charge to the corresponding passenger.

Consumer Protection

- Air transportation agreements must include, at least, the rights and obligations of the passenger or user of the service, as well as the compensation policies referred to in sections V and X of Article 47 Bis of the Civil Aviation Law.
- Such agreements shall be subject to the provisions of the Civil Aviation Law, the Regulations, the Federal Consumer Protection Law, the corresponding Mexican Official Standards and the mandatory orders issued from time to time by the Ministry of Communications and Transportation for such purpose.

- Carriers may issue tickets either through physical or electronic means when dealing with (a) national and international regular services; (b) national and international scheduled services; and (c) panoramic and national non-scheduled services chartered to specific communities or regions with low passenger traffic density.

Should these measures have an adverse effect on you, please do not hesitate to contact our team with expertise in aviation matters, who can be of assistance:

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