

FAQS ON SECURITY SCREENING FOR LIQUIDS, GELS OR AEROSOL

01 When was the security screening on Liquids, Gels or Aerosols imposed?

- The security screening for Liquids, Gels or Aerosols was imposed effective May 21, 2007.

02 Which passengers will be affected by these regulations?

- All international passengers departing from or transiting (changing planes) on commercial flights (incl. charter flights) at all International Airports in Malaysia.
- This new ruling also applies to all International-bound passengers departing from our Domestic Airports.

03 Are liquids still permitted in hand luggage on flights?

- Yes.
- Liquids, gels or aerosols brought from home must be placed in containers of not more than 100ml each and are required to be carried in one standard re-sealable plastic bag with a maximum capacity not greater than 1 litre.
- The plastic bag must be presented separately from your hand luggage and other items—such as coats, jackets or laptops—at the security x-ray checkpoint.
- All liquids, gels or aerosols purchased from Airport Shops/Duty Free in the security restricted areas of the terminal on the day of travel must be placed in standard Security Tamper-Evident Bags (STEBs) with receipt attached to it as Proof of Purchase.

04 How can passengers prepare for security checks at the airport?

- Passengers must carry only small quantities of liquids, gels or aerosols that they want to bring into the aircraft cabin using a small sized, transparent and re-sealable plastic bag measuring, 20.5 cm by 20.5 cm, 25 cm by 15 cm or 21 cm by 17.5 cm.
- Other extra liquids, gels or aerosols should be kept in their checked in baggages. Medicines, baby food/milk and special dietary requirement required on board during the flight are allowed (must be verified by airport security) and do not need to be carried in the transparent, re-sealable plastic bag.
- Passengers may take extra liquids, gels or aerosols on board aircraft which are bought from Air Shops/Duty Free outlets located in the security restricted areas of the airport.

05 What items count as "liquids"?

- The new rule covers liquids such as water, drinks, soups, syrups and other beverages, gels (including hair and shower gels), pastes (including toothpaste), mascara, lip gloss, creams, lotions, oils, perfumes, sprays, liquid/solid mixture, contents of pressurised containers (including shaving foam and deodorants), aerosols and other items with a similar consistency.

06 Why do liquids have to be carried in a plastic bag?

- We are adopting the security guidelines issued by International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) on 11th December 2006.
- The benefit of the transparent plastic bag is that it is easy to display and to conduct inspection of all the liquids, gels or aerosols carried by passengers at airport security checkpoints, minimising delays while screening process is conducted.

07 Can this plastic bag be used more than once?

- Yes, but only for the re-sealable plastic bag if it is still in good condition or not damaged.

08 In what form can medicines and special food items be brought in hand luggage?

- Special food items (such as liquid baby food or food for diabetics) or medicines that are essential during the flight (nose spray, eye drops or insulin, for example) may be taken on board. In cases of doubt, passengers will have to provide necessary documents that they need to take these items with them in their hand luggage (e.g. doctor's prescription) for the journey.
- Medicines and baby food can be carried outside the transparent plastic bag but must be presented separately at the security control.

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09 Are duty free items permitted in a passenger's hand luggage?

- Duty free items are permitted in hand luggage, provided they have been bought at an at airport duty-free shops located at sterile area or on board of aircraft, the passenger has a receipt for them, and they are carried in a sealed, Security Tamper-Evident Plastic Bag provided by the shop from which they were bought.

10 Can duty free items be bought on board flights?

- Items purchased on board of aircraft can be carried in your hand luggage, provided they are kept in a sealed, Security Tamper-Evident Plastic Bag and the passenger has a receipt for them issued on the same day.

11 Can passengers who begin their journey outside Malaysia and board a connecting flight carry liquids in their hand luggage?

- Yes, if the arriving transiting passengers comply with the new ICAO rules and procedures on liquid, gels or aerosols restrictions.

12 What general regulations apply to transit passengers?

- Similar size and type of transparent, re-sealable plastic bags and also the Security Tamper-Evident Bags containing liquids, gels or aerosols belonging to them which they bring or purchased from originating airports will be re-screened or re-inspected at pre-embarkation checkpoint or Boarding Gates.
- Any transit passengers found carrying extra liquids, gels or aerosols purchased at originating airports not in Security Tamper-Evident Plastic Bags or without any Proof of Purchase at Airport Shops/Duty Free shall be confiscated by security. Only recognised packaging as per ICAO recommendation is accepted.

13 Are there any changes to how passengers are dealt with at security checkpoints?

- It is mandatory for passengers to present the re-sealable plastic bags that contain Liquids, Aerosols or Gels they are carrying separately from other carry-on baggage at screening checkpoints.

14 Will passengers have to expect a longer wait at the airport?

- Airport authority and airlines are working together closely to minimise the impact of the rules to departing passengers. It is advisable for passengers to check in as early as possible.

15 Is it possible to have products that cannot be taken on board stored at the airport?

- All these items will be confiscated by Airport Security.

16 Will airports or airlines accept any liability for items that have to be left behind at the security check?

- Neither airports nor airlines can accept any liability for items that have to be left behind or confiscated by security at checkpoints as a result of failure to comply with the regulation.