

**ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES  
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**A RESOLUTION ON THE CARRIAGE AND USE OF LITHIUM BATTERIES  
BY PASSENGERS**

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 69<sup>th</sup> meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

- I. Aviation safety is the industry's top priority;
- II. Lithium battery fires present a distinct and growing hazard in aircraft cabins;
- III. States and airlines in the Asia Pacific region have classified this as an emerging safety risk and are implementing enhanced measures, including restrictions on the stowage and usage of portable lithium battery devices in aircraft cabins;

NOTING THAT:

- IV. ICAO Document 9284 provides guidance on the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air, including the carriage of spare lithium batteries on board aircraft under specific conditions, which is adhered to by many States and carriers;
- V. ICAO's Regional Aviation Safety Group further recommended in June 2025 that airlines, aerodromes, and regulators review risks associated with lithium batteries carried by passengers, align practices where practicable, improve passenger awareness, and share lessons to support a harmonised, risk-based approach;
- VI. Several Asia Pacific regulators have introduced additional cabin measures such as limitations on lithium battery quantities, and restrictions on in-cabin stowage and usage, while calling for the development of clear harmonised guidance for the benefit of all stakeholders including regulators, airlines and air passengers;
- VII. Unilateral and unharmonised restrictions on the carriage of lithium batteries by air passengers can result in confusion and operational challenges;

BELIEVING THAT:

- VIII. Enhancing coordination and collaboration among States, airlines, and aerodromes in the areas of data sharing, passenger communications, and public awareness campaigns, will strengthen prevention efforts and effective response to lithium battery fire incidents;
- IX. Harmonised practices in accordance with ICAO guidance will reduce passenger confusion, support cabin crew enforcement, and mitigate risks of in-cabin fire-smoke events;

RESOLVES:

- X. To call on governments and regulators to harmonise practices and measures on the carriage of spare lithium batteries on board aircraft, in accordance with ICAO guidance;
- XI. To call on States, in collaboration with ICAO, to leverage on data sharing to develop common guidance and outreach materials on the carriage and usage of spare lithium batteries by passengers.

APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025.

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