

## NEW SECURITY MEASURES EFFECTIVE 01 JUNE 2007

Effective from 1 June 2007, new security measures will be applied at the three of Airports Company South Africa's main international airports (O.R. Tambo, Durban, Cape Town). The new rules restrict the amount of Liquids, Aerosols and Gels (LAGs) that passengers may take on board in their hand luggage on international flights. The purpose of the rules is to protect aircraft against the threat of liquid explosives.

In terms of the new rules, any liquids, aerosols or gels in a passenger's hand luggage must be in containers of maximum 100ml each or smaller. They must be packed in a transparent, re-sealable plastic bag, the total capacity of which cannot be larger than 1 litre.

However, ACSA's Duty Free shoppers are assured that they will be allowed to take their purchases on board their flight as these stores will carry approved plastic bags.

Bongani Maseko, ACSA's Director of Operations said the introduction of rules around carrying of LAGs was a global security precautionary measure. The rules are now International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) standards.

"In an effort to streamline security checks and processes, ACSA recommends that passengers should place all LAGs in their checked-in luggage. However, passengers that do decide to carry LAGs for various reasons need to take these regulations into account when planning their trips," he added.

Maseko assured the flying public that as part of ACSA's efforts in ensuring that passengers comply with the new requirements, media awareness and education campaign will be initiated to help travellers.

Furthermore, again to assist passengers to comply, ACSA has ordered two (2) million plastic bags. These will be handed out at the three main airports, to travellers free of charge until the end of June. Discussions with manufacturing and retail industries to produce and avail the plastic bags are at an advanced stage.

Travellers are urged to prepare for the new rules in the pre-travel stage of their trip and to allow extra time at check-in and the security check point by arriving at least three hours before their flight departs.

## What is LAGS?

Which substances are these? They include:

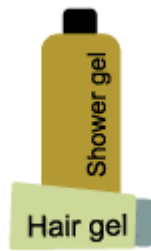
**Liquids, including:**

**Contents of pressurized containers such as:**

**Pastes, including:**

**Gels, including:**





- Water
- Soups
- Syrup
- Creams
- Lotions
- Perfumes
- Mascara
- Lipgloss
- Oils
- Sprays
- Shaving foam
- Spray deodorants
- Toothpaste
- Hair and
- Shower gels

**Any other liquid-solid mixture and items of similar consistency**

### **What do you need to do?**

#### **What are the new rules?**

- You may only carry Liquids, Aerosols and Gels (LAGs) in your hand luggage in containers that have a maximum capacity of 100 millilitres each
- You may carry several containers with liquid contents.
- These containers must be packed in a re-sealable, transparent plastic bag
- The total capacity of the plastic bag must not exceed one litre
- It must be possible to open and re-seal the plastic bag

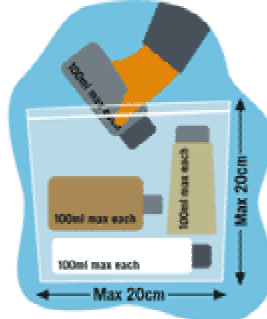
- Each passenger can carry **ONLY ONE** of these bags
- These bags must be removed from your hand luggage and presented to security personnel for inspection

### 1. Fill it



✓ Liquids, Aerosols and Gels in your hand luggage must be in containers of maximum 100ml.

### 2. Bag it



✓ Store them in this transparent, resealable bag. Total bag capacity must be maximum 1 litre. **Only 1 bag per passenger.**

### 3. Carry on



✓ Be prepared before you check-in by having your bag out at the Security check. Enjoy your travel experience.



✗ We don't want to confiscate your belongings so if they don't comply with the new rules, pack them in your check-in luggage.



✗ No containers over 100ml in your hand luggage, even if they're partially filled.



✓ Baby formula and food as well as medication carried on-board need not be in your LAGs bag but remember to show them to Security. If carrying medication you may need to produce your prescription.

## How are the new rules being applied?

### Application

- New rules only apply to hand luggage
- Liquids of any amount can be stowed in the luggage that is checked in
- These only apply to International Flights

### Exceptions

There are some exceptions regarding:

- Medication
- Baby Foods
- Special Diet

- Duty-Free Purchases

In each of these instances, the capacity does not have to be restricted to 100ml, and the containers do not have to be placed in your transparent, resealable plastic bag.



#### **Medication**

You may carry medication in your hand luggage or check it in. If you carry it your hand luggage, it will be inspected by security staff to ensure prohibited items are not being concealed. You may be asked for a prescription. You may also be asked to taste your medication in the presence of security personnel



#### **Baby Foods**

Baby food including formula and milk is exempted provided you are traveling WITH your baby. You may be asked to taste your formula/milk in the presence of security personnel.



#### **Special Diet**

Liquids that form part of special diets may be carried in your hand luggage but you may be asked to prove the necessity and authenticity of the liquids to security personnel. You may be asked to taste these items in the presence of security personnel.



#### **Duty-Free Purchases**

LAGS legislation will not be applied to Duty-Free purchases. However, items purchased in the Duty-Free retail environments of South Africa's international airports will be given to you in a special sealed bag. Do not open this until you have reached your final destination. You must also retain the proof of purchase throughout your journey as you will need to show it at all transfer points

### **What is the best way to comply?**

ACSA recommends that passengers should place all LAGs in their checked-in luggage. However, passengers that do decide to carry LAGs for various reasons need to take these regulations into account when planning their trips

Duty Free shoppers can rest assured that they will be allowed to take their purchases on board their flight provided they ensure that anything they buy remains sealed in the special plastic bag that will be given at the point of purchase.

ACSA urges travelers to allow for the new rules in the pre-travel stages of their trips and to allow extra time at departure for any possible delays that might be caused by the new security checks. It is recommended that international travelers arrive at the airport at least 3 hours prior to their departure time. ACSA are aware that initial delays will be inevitable, but in the interests of security these measures are both necessary and part of a global roll-out.

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