



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications

CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES
Office of the Director General

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO: 12-16

TO : ALL CONCERNED
FROM : THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
SUBJECT : PROHIBITION OF LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES AS CARGO ON PASSENGER AIRCRAFT
DATE : 04 MAR 2016

On 22 February 2016, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) has adopted a new aviation safety measure which prohibits the carriage of Lithium-ion batteries as cargo on passenger aircraft.

Pursuant to the powers vested on the Director General of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) under Republic Act 9497 otherwise known as the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines Act of 2008 and in the interest of aviation safety, all shipments of Lithium-ion batteries are forbidden as cargo on passenger aircraft. However, Lithium-ion batteries packed with equipment or lithium ion batteries contained in personal electronic devices may be carried by passengers or crew in the cabin of the aircraft.

EFFECTIVITY:

Fifteen (15) days after publication in a requisite single newspaper of general circulation and a copy filed with the U.P. Law Center – Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR), this Memorandum Circular shall take effect and supersedes any orders and/or memoranda in conflict herewith.

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Director General

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