

including sedatives. The use of sedatives during flight to tranquillise nervous animals is reserved for a trained animal-attendant.

Subject to carrier and governmental regulations, a humane killer may be on board, under control of the captain.

5. HEALTH AND HYGIENE — GENERAL

After delivery of the animals at destination, the carriers' container shall be cleaned and washed thoroughly before returning, and disinfected before re-use, in accordance with the requirements of the exporting, transiting and importing countries.

It is recommended that no equipment, with which animals will come into direct contact, be replaced in the aircraft until it has been disinfected. The station of (animal) off loading must follow the procedures set forth by HQ. Countries may refuse entry of an aircraft into their territory if a certificate of cleanliness has not been issued by the competent authority. Any such disinfectant used may be species specific and shall in consultation with aircraft maintenance departments and the aircraft OEM be deemed non destructive to the airframe or its components prior to its application.

When feasible, arrange for injured animals, or those which have apparently become ill during carriage, to receive veterinary treatment.

When feasible, arrange for the removal of sick or dead animals from containers. Such action should only be taken in consultation with the best expert advice available at short notice. When, for whatever reason, such action cannot be carried out, the next en-route station(s) and destination station should be informed.

After off-loading the containers, the relevant aircraft holds shall be inspected and cleaned in case of leakage or spillage.

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HANDLING OF HUMAN REMAINS

1. HUMAN REMAINS PROCEDURE

△ Human remains (HUM), except cremated, must be packed in a hermetically sealed inner containment which may be constructed of a flexible material or may be a rigid coffin of lead or zinc. The inner containment must then be packed inside a wooden or metal coffin. The wooden or metal coffin may be protected from damage by an outer packing and covered by canvas or tarpaulin so that the nature of its contents is not apparent.

Cremated remains must be shipped in funeral urns which are efficiently cushioned by suitable packaging, against breakage.

2. HANDLING COFFINS

Carriage of human remains in coffins on passenger and cargo aircraft are subject to the following conditions:

2.1 non-cremated HUM shall not be loaded in close proximity of foodstuffs (EAT);

2.2 the Pilot-in-Command should be informed.

Stowage position on the individual aircraft type shall be subject to company's regulations.

3. HANDLING URNS

Handling and loading as normal cargo.

Note: There appears to be no scientific or technical reason why HUM and live animals (AVI) should be segregated in aircraft cargo compartments. However, it may be ethical for cultural reasons to segregate them.