

CHAPTER 20 SAFETY OF PERSONS AND CARGO ON AIRCRAFT

Division 20.1 Seating for persons on aircraft

20.01 Medical transport operations, rescue operations and certain police operations — prescribed circumstances

- (1) For subregulation 91.545 (2), subregulation 91.545 (1) does not apply in relation to the carriage of a person for a flight if prescribed circumstances apply.

Note Subregulation 91.545 (1), makes it an offence to begin a flight if a person is assigned a seat or berth that is not fitted with a seatbelt or shoulder harness.

- (2) For subsection (1), the prescribed circumstances are as follows:
- (a) the flight must be a medical transport operation, a rescue operation or a SOG operation;
 - (b) the person must be a:
 - (i) crew member; or
 - (ii) for a medical transport operation — a medical patient; or
 - (iii) for a rescue operation — person who has been rescued; or
 - (iv) for a SOG operation — SOG member;
 - (c) during the flight — the person must:
 - (i) wear a safety harness and a restraint strap; or
 - (ii) if the person is a medical patient, or a person who has been rescued, and for whom compliance with subparagraph (i) is not practicable — be restrained on a stretcher in accordance with the procedures in the operator's exposition or operations manual (as applicable); or
 - (iii) if the person is a medical patient who is an infant for whom subparagraph (i) is considered, by the medical or nursing authority responsible for conducting the transport, to be detrimental to the infant's medical condition or the general situation inside the aircraft — be carried inside an incubator, humidicrib, or other neonatal transport unit in accordance with the applicable procedures in the operator's exposition; or
 - (iv) if the person is a medical patient who is an infant, or a child under the age of 6, for whom subparagraph (i) is considered by the medical or nursing authority responsible for conducting the transport to be detrimental to the infant's or child's medical condition or the general situation inside the aircraft — be carried in the arms, or on the lap, of an adult occupying a seat or a stretcher in accordance with the applicable procedures in the operator's exposition; or
 - (v) if the person is a person who has been rescued and for whom compliance with subparagraph (i) or (ii) is not practicable — be restrained:
 - (A) in a rescue harness, or other rescue device, that is compliant with the requirements of, or approved under, Part 21 of CASR; and
 - (B) in accordance with the applicable procedures in the operator's operations manual; or
 - (vi) if the person is a SOG member for whom subparagraph (i) is considered, by the police or ADF authority responsible for the conduct of the SOG operation, to be detrimental to the conduct of the operation — be otherwise safely restrained in accordance with the applicable procedures in the operator's