

## **Dear Doctor**

This passenger has chosen to fly with Cathay Pacific, an interline ticket associated with a Cathay Pacific flight.

At the time of the booking inquiry, the information provided to our Reservations office has prompted us to ask this passenger to complete our Passenger Medical Clearance (MEDA) Form. Part 1 of the form should be completed by the passenger. The attending doctor should complete Part 2 in English.

This form is intended to provide information to enable the airline's Group Medical Department to assess the fitness of the passenger to travel. If the passenger is accepted, this information will permit the issuance of the necessary directives designed to provide for the passenger's welfare and comfort.

When completing the form please keep in mind that air travel has some unique features which must be considered to ensure a safe and comfortable flight. The principle factors to consider when assessing a passenger's fitness for air travel are:

- Reduced atmospheric pressure: Cabin air pressure changes occur after take-off and before landing and lead to gas expansion and contraction which may cause pain and pressure effects.
- **Reduction in oxygen tension:** The aircraft cabin is pressurised to an equivalent of 6,000-8,000 feet and oxygen partial pressure is approximately 20% less than on ground. Healthy passengers have no problems at these altitudes, but passengers with anaemia or heart and lung conditions may be at risk and require supplemental oxygen during air travel.
- Inaccessibility to advanced medical care: The aircraft cabin is a closed environment
  where access to advanced medical care may not be possible for several hours. Our cabin
  crew is trained in basic first aid and we do carry medical kits and heart defibrillators on
  board, but advanced medical care onboard is not possible. If a passenger has a medical
  condition that carry a high risk of requiring extraordinary medical assistance in-flight they
  may not be accepted for air travel.

The following medical conditions generally do not require medical clearance providing they are stable and no special assistance is required:

- Diabetes Mellitus
- High blood pressure or high cholesterol
- Arthritis
- Joint replacement or amputations
- Artificial limbs
- Sleep apnea requiring the use of a CPAP or BIPAP (If intending to use CPAP or BIPAP inflight, please notify your local Cathay Pacific reservations office a minimum of 48 hours prior to departure).

More information on the special conditions associated with air travel and the specific restrictions for certain medical conditions is available on the Aerospace Medical Association's website at this link Medical Considerations for Airline Travel.

Once the MEDA Form has been completed, it should be returned to the local Cathay Pacific reservations office. It is important that Cathay Pacific receives the completed MEDA Form **no** later than 48 hours prior to the passenger's scheduled departure date. Please note: for all

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requests of inflight medical oxygen or non-peanut or other tree nut containing cocktail snacks, we recommend that the completed MEDA form be submitted 72 hours prior to your scheduled flight departure time.

Any costs associated with this assessment and completion of the form is at the passenger's expense.

If you wish to discuss the case further with our Group Medical, please contact your local Cathay Pacific Reservations office as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**Group Medical** 

Attachments: MEDA Form Part 2



## PASSENGER MEDICAL CLEARANCE FORM (MEDA) - PART 2

To be completed by ATTENDING MEDICAL DOCTOR (IN ENGLISH)			
Please answer ALL questions using BLOCK LETTERS.			
Enter a cros	s 'X' in the 'yes' or 'no' boxes.		
MEDA 01	Passenger's Surname / First Name:		
	Date of Birth: Gender:		
MEDA 02	(a) Attending Medical Doctor's Name:		
	Address:		
	(b) Telephone No. Business: Home or Mobile:		
	Email:		
MEDA 03	Medical Diagnosis:		
	Details of current medical conditions (including vital signs, symptoms and severity, treatn	nent and	
	recent surgery):		
	Date of first symptoms: Date of diagnosis: Date of surgery	<b>/</b> :	
MEDA 04	Prognosis for the trip: Good   Stable   Unstal	ole □ Poor □	
MEDA 05	Does the passenger have any contagious OR communicable disease?	No □ Yes □	
	If yes, please specify:		
MEDA 06	Would the physical and/or mental condition of the passenger cause a safety risk to	No □ Yes □	
	other passengers or them self?		
	If yes, please specify:		
MEDA 07	(a) Can the passenger sit UPRIGHT in a normal aircraft seat?	No □ Yes □	
	(b) Can the passenger use a normal aircraft seat with both the KNEES BENT?	No □ Yes □	
	(c) If no, can the passenger rest his/her leg on the ground during the flight?	No □ Yes □	
MEDA 08	(a) Can the passenger comprehend and respond appropriately to safety instructions	No □ Yes □	
	from cabin crew and/or assist in their own evacuation from the aircraft in an		
	emergency?		
	(b) Can the passenger take care of his/her own personal needs on board	No □ Yes □	
	UNASSISTED* (including meals, visit to toilet, administering of medications etc.)?		
	If no, complete MEDA 09		
MEDA 09	a) Does the passenger require an ESCORT?	No □ Yes □	
	If yes, type of escort proposed: Travel Companion   Nurse   Medical Doctor		
	Type of assistance required from escort:		
	b) assistance in comprehending and responding appropriately to safety instructions	No □ Yes □	
	from cabin crew and/or assist passenger to evacuate the aircraft in an emergency		
	c) personal care needs e.g. eating/drinking, administration of medications, elimination	No □ Yes □	
	functions including assistance inside the lavatory		



MEDA 10	Does the passenger need OXYGEN** (Cathay only provides flow rates of 2 or 4 litres per minute of				
	constant flow oxygen by mask or nasal cannula)				
	(a) On the GROUND: No ☐ Yes ☐	Litres per minute: 2 ☐ 4 ☐	Continuous? No ☐ Yes ☐		
	(b) On board the AIRCRAFT: No ☐ Yes ☐	Litrop man mainsutes O A	Continuous No D Voo D		
	(i) CX Oxygen	Litres per minute: 2 □ 4 □	Continuous? No ☐ Yes ☐		
MEDA 11	Does the passenger need any MEDICATION*	other than those self-adminis	tered?		
	(a) On the GROUND while at the airport(s): No □ Yes □				
	If Yes, specify:				
	(b) On board of the AIRCRAFT: No □ Yes □				
	If Yes, specify:				
	(c) Can it be administered by the escort?		No □ Yes □		
MEDA 40	If Yes, specify:				
MEDA 12	Does the passenger need any medical device		AP, suction, respirator, etc.		
	***? (Note all medical equipment on board mu	ist be battery operated)	Na 🗆 Vaa 🗆		
	(a) On the GROUND while at the airport(s)  No □ Yes □				
	If Yes, specify:No D No D No D No D No D No D No				
	(b) On board of the AIRCRAFT  No □ Yes □				
	If Yes, specify:				
	If yes, medical equipment must be battery				
MEDA 13	Does the passenger need HOSPITALISATION	<u> </u>	No □ Yes □		
	If yes, indicate arrangements made or if none were made, indicate "NO ACTION TAKEN"				
	NOTE: The attending doctor is responsible for all arrangements				
MEDA 14	Specify other information in the interest of the	passenger's smooth and com	fortable transportation**:		
MEDA 15	Specify other arrangements made by the atter	nding doctor:			
MEDA 16	CARDIAC CONDITIONS				
	Does passenger suffer from Angina?		No □ Yes □		
	(a) Date of last episode:				
16.1	(b) Is the condition stable?		No □ Yes □		
10.1	(c) Functional class of the passenger?				
	☐ No symptoms ☐ Angina with significant efforts ☐ Angina with light efforts ☐ Angina at i				
	(d) Can the patient walk 100m at a normal pa	ce or climb 10-12 stairs withou	ut symptoms? No □ Yes □		
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	Does passenger suffer from Myocardial Infarction?	No □	Yes 🗆		
	Date:		Yes □		
			Yes 🗆		
16.2			Yes 🗆		
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	(d) Did the passenger have any chest pain after the first 24 hours?		Yes □		
			Yes 🗆		
	(f) Did the passenger have any pre-attack angina?		Yes 🗆		
	(g) Stress ECG done?		Yes □		
	If yes, indicate date/results:				
	(h) Can the patient walk 100m at a normal pace or climb 10-12 stairs without symptoms?				
		No □	Yes ⊔		
	(a) When was the last episode:				
16.3	(b) Is the passenger's condition controlled with medication?	No 🗆	Yes □		
	If yes, give details:				
	(c) Functional class of the passenger:				
	□No symptoms □Dyspnoea with significant efforts □Dyspnoea with light efforts □Dyspnoea at rest				
MEDA 17	Does passenger suffer from an existing or chronic pulmonary conditions?		Yes □		
	(a) (i) Has the patient had recent blood gases done?	No □	Yes □		
	(ii) Date of test:				
	(iii) Blood gases were taken on: □ Room air □ OxygenLPM				
	(iv) What were the results? pCO2 pO2 O2 Saturation				
	(b) (i) Has the patient had recent Oxygen Saturation (SAO2) done?	No □	Yes □		
	(ii) Date of test:				
	(iii) Was the SAO2 taken on: □ Room air □ OxygenLPM (iv) What were the results?				
	(c) Does the patient retain CO2?	No $\square$	Yes □		
	(d) Has his/her condition deteriorated recently?	No $\square$	Yes □		
	(e) Can the patient walk 100m at a normal pace or climb 10-12 stairs without symptoms?	No □	Yes □		
	(f) Has the passenger ever taken a commercial flight in these same conditions?	No □	Yes □		
	If yes, when:	No 🗆	Yes 🗆		



MEDA 18	Does the passenger suffer from psychiatric conditions? (Please also submit a comprehensive		
	psychiatric report)	No □ Yes □	
	(a) Diagnosis:		
	(b) Is there a possibility that the passenger will become agitated during the flight?	No □ Yes □	
	(c) Has the passenger taken a commercial flight after the diagnosis was made?	No □ Yes □	
	If yes, date of travel:		
	(d) Did the passenger travel with an escort?	No □ Yes □	
	If yes, type of escort: ☐ Nurse ☐ Medical Doctor ☐ Travel Comp	oanion / Assistant	
MEDA 19	Does the passenger suffer from seizures? No □ Yes □		
	(a) What type of seizures?		
	(b) Frequency/duration of seizures:		
	(c) Date of last seizure:		
	(d) Are the seizures controlled by medication?	No □ Yes □	
MEDA 20	Does the passenger have fractures?	No □ Yes □	
	(a) Type of the fracture?		
	(b) Date of the fracture		
	(c) Pelvic fracture:	No □ Yes □	
	(i) Is it stable?	No □ Yes □	
	(d) 5. Lower limb fracture:	No □ Yes □	
	(i) Is the passenger able to sit upright for take-off and landing with knees bent?	No □ Yes □	
	(ii) Can the passenger rest his/her leg on the ground during the flight?	No □ Yes □	
	(If no, stretcher may be required.)		
	(iii) Is the passenger in a plaster cast?	No □ Yes □	
	(iv) If yes, is the plaster cast split?	No □ Yes □	
	(e) Upper limb fracture:	No □ Yes □	
	(i) Is the passenger in a plaster cast?	No □ Yes □	
	(ii) If yes, is the plaster cast split?	No □ Yes □	
	(f) Skull fracture:	No $\square$ Yes $\square$	
	(i) Is there any air in the cranial cavity?	No □ Yes □	
	(g) Rib fracture:	No □ Yes □	
	(i) Is there a pneumothorax?	No □ Yes □	



MEDA 21	Does passenger hav	e a peanut or other tree nuts allergy:		No □ Yes □
	(a) Has the passenger or their parent/guardian read, understood and accepted the Cathay Pacific			
	peanut or other tre	ee nut allergy policy on the <u>www.cathaypaci</u>	fic.com website?	No $\square$ Yes $\square$
	(b) Does the passenger's peanut or other tree nut allergy condition pose any serious risks to his/			s to his/her
	health given the c	onditions inflight as stated on the website?		No $\square$ Yes $\square$
(c) Can the passenger or their travel companion/s administer medica			dications should the ne	ed arise?
				No □ Yes □
Please Note:  (*)While our cabin crew will do everything possible to assist the passenger inflight, we are unable to provide any assistance for personal care needs such as feeding and elimination functions, including assistance inside the lavatory. Additionally, cabin crew are trained only in first aid and are not permitted to administer any medication.  (**)Portable Oxygen Concentrator (POC) Please complete the "Physician Statement: POC" form  (***) Any fees, related to the provision of medical devices are the passenger's responsibility.				
Date:		Print Doctor's Name:	Doctor's Signature:	