

Employer Occupational Brief

A guide to apprenticeship training and on-programme assessment



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Overview of the job role

The role of an air cabin crew member is to primarily ensure customers safety at all times whilst onboard the aircraft. They also provide excellent customer service to customers throughout the flight. They are trained to deal with security and emergency situations which may arise and can administer first aid to customers. Cabin crew may work for commercial organisations, working with large volumes of customers, or may work with small groups of customers on smaller aircraft. To achieve this, cabin crew are required to adapt to the needs of a wide range of individuals and customers and will need to understand how their needs can be accommodated. This may be from supporting nervous customers, individuals with young children, and those with special dietary or medical requirements. Some cabin crew may work as part of the armed forces, providing services for Royalty, Ministers and other dignitaries.

This employer occupational brief is designed to bring context and expand upon the standard to assist employers and education and training providers to develop the 'on-programme' elements of an apprenticeship. It should be read in conjunction with the assessment plan to ensure full coverage of the requirements is incorporated into the learning and development phase. The statements below are designed to guide and provide examples in a general environment, additional contextualisation will often be necessary to ensure brand / organisational standards are being met. The detail behind the standard:

	Knowledge 'Know it'	Skills 'Show it'
Pre-flight (all duties up until the doors are closed prior to take off)	 The standards required for personal presentation and that of the cabin (including organisation and uniform standard) Crew member must understand their organisations Cabin Standards <i>manual</i> Understanding of the impact personal presentation has on the organisations brand Understands the importance of reporting for duty on time and the commercial impact on the business Understands all of the pre-briefing responsibilities of flight preparation To be current with up to date Safety/Security, First Aid and Service Notices Knows what items of equipment/documentation are required to be carried for duty Aware of the structure and content of a preflight briefing Aware of airport/airfield security and ramp safety Understands the aircrafts communication and cabin systems Sound knowledge of aircraft system equipment, location and use. 	 Liaise with the customer, airport, ground staff, suppliers and colleagues to ensure the efficient loading of catering and ancillary items and boarding procedures meet service standards and aviation regulations. Crew member reports for duty on time and follows the correct Check-In and Check-Out procedures set by the company. Demonstrates compliance with company personal presentation standards Demonstrates compliance with cabin presentation standards in accordance with organisations procedures Completes all of the pre-briefing safety and service related responsibilities Has in possession all required items for duty Participates as required in pre-flight briefing Demonstrates an awareness of the typical customer and cultural profile for the scheduled duty Understands individual responsibility in relation to airport/airfield security screening requirements and adheres to them as appropriate Fulfils responsibilities in relation to security screening requirements



- your organisations procedures for boarding of passengers
- a sound knowledge of operation of aircraft doors and applies if applicable to organisations procedures
- To declare any personal monies and floats required to operate flight.
- To demonstrate an understanding of Customer and Destination profile relating to the flight being operated.
- Be aware of the importance of on time performance and the factors that may affect this.
- Have an understanding on the Service flow, and the Services to be provided to Customers on the flight.
- To understand their area of responsibility both on the ground and in-flight.
- Knows the Total On Board and any special requests/requirements of Customers onboard and where these customers are seated

- Follows ramp safety regulations in accordance local procedures
- Consistently applies security monitoring standards and deals appropriately with any situations that arise
- Liaises effectively with ground staff and suppliers to ensure the boarding process meets organisations service standards and aviation regulations
- Identifies and resolves/escalates defects with aircrafts communication and cabin systems
- uses aircraft systems
- completes pre-flight checks on aircraft systems and equipment as applicable
- able to use all aircraft systems and safety & service equipment
- take appropriate action in the event of aircraft system or equipment defects
- Pro-actively addresses issues that arise during boarding making effective decisions to ensure a satisfactory outcome and on time departure.
- Follows the relevant procedures for preparation and operation of doors.
- Monitors cabin environment appearance and on-board facilities to ensure customer satisfaction and adherence to operational standards
- Communicate effectively with passengers and crew in the event of disruption, keeping them informed of progress actions and results



	 applies organisations boarding procedures Service related question to show that understanding and knowledge is up-to-date. Shows correct procedure of declaring personal monies and floats to Cabin Manager/ Senior Cabin Crew and other colleagues and declares any discrepancies.
Systems, procedures and monitoring requirements for pre-flight checks, briefings and boarding of customers and their items	Proactively address issues that arise during boarding, making effective decisions to ensure a satisfactory outcome and on time departure
 To declare any personal monies and floats required to operate flight. To demonstrate an understanding of Customer and Destination profile relating to the flight being operated. Be aware of the importance of on time performance and the factors that may affect this. Have an understanding on the Service flow, and the Services to be provided to Customers on the flight. To understand their area of responsibility both on the ground and in-flight. To conduct pre-flight safety and security 	 Carry out the pre-flight checks of safety equipment relevant to their area of responsibility to with company standard. Informs Cabin Manager/ Senior Cabin Crew and Engineering of any defects/INOP equipment and seeks the relevant information to ensure flight can operate safely. Correctly documents any defects/INOP equipment and labels equipment apriority. Maintains a safety awareness culture at all times, and knows the correct reporting procedures Proactively goes into area of responsibility prior to Customer Boarding and ensures Customer Boarding can take place.
 checks in line with company SOP's. To report any defect/INOP equipment and raise any issues relating to onboard Safety and Service equipment to the relevant department. 	 Creates a warm and welcoming atmosphere to Customers boarding, and assists Customers where needed. Actively assists in the boarding of PRM's to their seats – e.g. use of onboard WCH; explain where



 To comply with all company and industry regulations to ensure Safety and Security checks are completed to ensure an on time performance. Monitor Customer boarding ensuring baggage limitations have been complied with and seating of PRM's. Assist in dealing with any seating issues. How to ensure Cabin is accessible during the boarding process and complies with safety requirements. How to check that onboard equipment is readily available to assist in the manoeuvring of PRM's e.g. Onboard WCH. 	 there nearest facilities are and use of functions to their seat. Assist with Customers onboard requirements ensuring they adhere to safety compliance e.g. distribution of IESB and ILJ's. Actively deals with any Customer seating issues either liaising with Ground Staff or seeking own solution to help increase Customer Satisfaction without compromising OTP. Maintains a safety awareness at all times during boarding to ensure Cabin and external environment can be easily evacuated in the case of an emergency evacuation. Carries out pre-departure duties, ensuring the cabin is safe and secure before aircraft closure Making customers aware of safety related issues e.g. customer seated at exit row, seats/ bulkhead seating
 How to maintain service equipment and address identified failures and processes to minimise disruption and delay, allowing for alternative arrangements to reduce chance of injury, and ensure on time performance Prepare Cabin in readiness for Customer Boarding. Ensure equipment is serviceable and readily available. Liaise with Ground Staff, Cleaning Contractors, 	 Monitor cabin environment, appearance and on board facilities to ensure customer satisfaction and adherence to operational standards, and using controls to adjust it Ensure Cabin is correctly dressed for the flight according to company standards Proactively informs Cabin Manager/ Senior Cabin Crew and Ground Staff of any items missing before Customer boarding and rectifies



company standard without jeopardising on time performance The typical customer profile for the organisation and	 Works with Catering to ensure correct amount of service delivery items and meals are loaded and stored in the correct place. Proactively prepares selective services on the ground without affecting Safety Procedures and Customer Service during boarding. Communicate effectively with customers, flight and 	
how the services provided are matched to it	cabin crew and other parties in the event of	
 age 	disruption, keeping them informed of progress, actions and results	
mobility	• Empathise, understand and resolve problems – in	
dietary requirements	adherence with organisation's standard procedures	
medical	 Commit to resolve issues while taking into account running operation 	
origin	 Display flavible approach oncuring the operation runs. 	
destination	 Display flexible approach ensuring the operation runs effectively while the customers issues are being resolved 	
cultural awareness		
 purpose of journey 		
 expectations of the ticket 		
 loyalty and brand expectations 		
 The destination profile and how the flight may be adapted according to this Departure times – morning/eveining, timezones 	Follow procedures to assist passengers with reduced mobility (PRM) or other requirements for special assistance	
 Departure times - morning, evening, timezones travelled through, delays, immigration issues, The languages spoken The currencies Used 	 Follows organisations procedures for carriage of special categories of passengers 	



 Cultural awareness – potential customer requirements Special dietry requirements that customers may have and how they should be responsed to The transit points that may be encountered as part of the journey How cabins should be disinfected safely and when it is required Types of traveller – business travellers, events – stag and hen do's, football crowds Security requirements special requirements in different places Organisational procedures for Passengers with 	 Assists with Customers onboard requirements ensuring they adhere to safety compliance e.g. distribution of IESB and ILJ's. Actively deals with any Customer seating issues either liaising with Ground Staff or seeking own solution to help increase Customer Satisfaction without compromising OTP.
Reduced Mobility (PRM) and other special	
assistance which may be required	
• The types of disability that may be encountered	
 What the organisational procedures are for 	
assisting those with reduced mobility	
The protocols required for specific areas,	
locations, press, security, carrying of items that	
may require specific care	
 Why special protocols are needed Who is responsible for implementing the various 	
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 Where information regarding protocols can be 	
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The protocols when Royalty, Ministers and Dignitaries are on board

- Aware of organisations procedures for special categories of passengers such as Persons with Reduced Mobility, deportees, prisoners, unaccompanied minors**If applicable* and VIP's, Aircraft Protection Officers etc
- How they should be communicated with
- Processes and procedurds for boarding and disembarkation
- Special requirements for food, drink and other services



In-flight	How to deal with complex customer needs which	Address complex customer needs to ensure service
(from closure of doors	may affect the onboard operation, including	standards and individual requirements are
before take off to opening of	challenging situations in individual and group	maintained
	situations	 Assisting passengers who are blind
doors after landing)	 The typical customer needs that may affect on board operation Affecting on board operation by: On time performance (OTP) 	 Assisting passengers with reduced mobility Awareness of hidden disibilities Dealing with babies on board – meals, seating, cots, warming milk
	 Cots, seat positioning, safety equipment 	 Provision of meals for customers with particular food allergies
	 Order of service 	 Provision of meals for customers with special dietrary requirements
	 Managing expectations in line with available commodities 	 Dealing with minors travelling on their own Dealing with complaints effectively
	 Specific additional amenities for passengers 	 Handling disruptive passengers and deescalating situations
	 Awareness of cultural / religious needs and how this impacts on individual service, including dietary considerations 	 Dealing with poorly passengers Dealing with baggage queries Dealing with those who are not English speakers to provide information and assistance Dealing with operational disruption
	 Direct assistance for passengers with reduced mobility 	 Handling EU261 compensation claims Distressed passengers such as nervous flyers
	 Bespoke briefs to customers 	
	 Managing other customers when passengers affect normal service 	
	\circ Communication with the ground	



 Safeguarding and monitoring of vulnerable customers 	
 Alteration of duties within a team to meet needs 	
 Ensuring agreed premium / retention scheme differentiation is delivered 	
 Effective fact finding and process adjustment for medical requirements, including ongoing monitoring and early identification of warning signs 	
 Effective, accurate and timely incident reporting and communication 	
The pre-take off checks which must be conducted once doors are closed	Complete the on board food, beverage and retail service provided by the organisation in line with
 The Uniform adjustment needed to meet the safety and service standards How to perform a safety demo, knows safety demo position Understands the correct Safety, Equipment and Procedures (SEP) applicable during the pre- flight brief How to ensure the cabin and the galley is ready for take off Knowledge of the correct procedures followed after pre-flight safety demonstration The correct pre- seating protocol and process review 	 standards and quality measures Food safety regulations – taking appropriate measures, wearing oven gloves Food handling Manual handing skills Knowledge of products carried Use of money and credit cards, exchange rates Using trays when serving tea and coffee Selling techniques – up selling Demonstrate how to use hand held device for payment Offering/suggesting alternative



 Cabin, galley and stowage proceudres The correct lightning to be applied Knows the service standards and procedures that need to be applied to each cabin The correct preparation/set up as per product offering Pre-take off service (cabin specific) standards Following appropriate communication channels 	 Responding to queries regarding allergies and food content Service recovery – how this can be rectified
 Thorough knowledge of the organisations service routines for specific flight/route/sector Time of flights – day or night service Knowing specific standards per flight Knowing types of meals offered Time of day of the flight – not making too many announcements Supporting specific passengers Length of flight Service recovery – how are this responded to Crew rest periods, meals provision 	 Communicate effectively with colleagues, flight crew, ground operational teams and customers at appropriate times to ensure service efficiency, safety and security and timely reporting of defective equipment is maintained Tailors communication style to colleagues, flight crew, service partners and customers Has an ability to communicate equipment defect to appropriate personal Articulates accurately, confidently and assertively safety regulated procedures to customers, service partners and peers Follows appropriate codes, procedures and guidelines, which could be aviation industry specific and/or organisation specific Follows the correct communication channel with regards to reporting and passing on relevant information Uses the most appropriate form of communication equipment at all times



The procedures for service recovery and procedures for any possible issues that arise, including understanding of approved maintenance records and report forms • How crew approach service recovery • How to engage with customers effectively and how they should be communicated with • The organisation's standard procedures for service recovery	 Makes sure the information he/she supplies is accurate, complete and relevant Follows best practice Crew resource management (CRM) Professionally communicates in line with the brand Demonstrates positive and enthusiastic approach to customers and team members Ensures data is stored and supplied in line with procedures and requirements Conduct in flight checks and monitor customers and onboard facilities Monitor customers as per the required standard throughout the flight Applies vigilance in the galley to ensure health, safety and security is maintained Performs required checks of on board facilities to include – toilets, galleys, rest areas, flight deck
 The required on board targets for service and sales, in line with organisation's procedures The required standards for service delivery 	 Ensure post service requirements are completed, including reconciliations of stock / money or cash equivalents as required Placing the on board product back to the correct stowage's



to the custor targets for s • Knowledge order to up • Where infor be found • How sales s reconciled	mation regarding sales targets can should be accounted for and	 Canister and trolleys restored properly Complete preparation for next sector/flight Complete all the required paperwork accurately and sealing requirements and reconciliation of moneys as appropriate Faulty equipment reported and labelled On ward connections and landing requirements fulfilled/duties completed 	
 Common de equipment Why defects How defects 	of defective equipment efects that may occur with is should be reported is should be reported equipment can be safely put out of		



Post Flight (From opening of doors after landing)	 Understanding of disembarkation procedures including monitoring of all customers including special categories of customer Understanding of cabin crew station responsibilities and correct door opening 	Communicate and co-ordinate with Flight crew, colleagues, customer and ground staff to ensure disembarkation procedures meet safety and service standards • Demonstrate awareness of cabin position and
	 procedures in accordance with operators training The requirements of relevant, current legislation and requirements such as CAT.OP.MPA.155 Awareness of customer experience and local airport procedures 	 responsibilities Correct door operation ensuring safety within and outside the aircraft Communication with colleagues relating to door disarming procedures Communication with ground handling in relation to door opening Communcation to passengers relating to safe disembarkation Maintain situational awareness throughout
	 The post flight checks and duties which must be conducted What the procedures are for handling lost property and for responding to queries from customers How equipment should be safetly stowed Preparation for the next flight Re-stocking catering supplies Galley preparation Customs perparations Sealing of the bar 	 Address issues that arise during disembarkation making effective decisions to ensure a satisfactory outcome Consider appropriate actions in response to an abnormal situation whilst disembarking Be mindful of the need to ensure privacy and courtecy Address any customer issues relating to disembarkation to ensure a positive customer experience Show awareness of local airport/apron regulations and procedures



 Collection of safety eq System for disembarka passengers with reduct Checking over head log 	tion – passengers with ed mobility (PRM)	
• Safety on the ramp – o	in active sets. in relation to re-fuelling hecking safety tion (WHO) regulations procedures	 nsure post flight requirements are completed including security of on-board resources and dherence to local regulations and practices as equired Demonstrate effective aircraft checks post flight within cabin crew areas Liaise with colleagues and ground staff in relation to left passenger belongings Liaise with third party suppliers Work effectively as a team member to ensure all post flight duties are completed in a timely manner
	Pa	 articipate in post flight debrief and duties Actively participate in post flight debrief Ensure all allocated duties are concluded



Compliance and legislation	 The importance of legislation, procedures and regulations relating to an aviation environment in order to apply and deliver organisational compliance requirements within own area of responsibility The importance of the legislation that govern the aviation industry relevant to your airline Which procedures must be followed to ensure compliance The impact of not following procedures and ensuring compliance How to reference information in the company safety procedures Your area of responsibility *if applicable to your organisation Your organisations safety reporting system/channels *as appropriate 	 Ensure self and team monitor and apply the compliance legislation, procedures and regulations commensurate to your role When procedures cannot be followed identify corrective action Identity's risk and takes appropriate action Maintains knowledge commensurate with role by completing regular training, maintaining up to date information Ensure procedures to meet organisational and legal requirements for compliance with are followed e.g. Aviation legislation e.g. (International Civil Aviation Organisation) ICAO, (European Aviation Safety Agency) EASA Food safety regulation Health and safety legislation Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)/ Military Aviation Authority (MAA) requirements Local authority regulations
	 Requirements for maintaining aviation security in own area of authority and action to take in the event of a breach of security Know the Security Procedures set out in the Cabin Crew Manual and be able to follow the procedures to maintain a secure working environment onboard an aircraft and within the 	 Local authority regulations Passengers with reduced mobility (EU1107) Identify risks and non-compliance, ensuring corrective actions are taken or situations are escalated in accordance with organisation's procedures To report any security related issues using your companies own security reporting channel Ensure Security procedures set out in the Cabin Crew Manual relating to equipment,



Health, safety and	 To have the knowledge and awareness of reporting procedures in relation to Security issues within your airline Know the importance of rules and regulations in relation to holding and maintaining a valid Airport ID to perform your duties 	 procedures and security breaches are adhered to and followed Reports and security related issues to the relevant department within the airport environment Follows rules and regulations set by local airport ID authority and DFT to maintain a valid Airport ID Identify and address / report actual or potential
wellbeing	 relation to own role and organisation, including how to monitor it The organisation's health and safety procedures and legal requirements The organisation's health and safety (injury) reporting procedure The working environment (the cabin) safety and emergency procedures outlined in operations manuals The organisation's systems, procedures and practices designed to maintain health and safety including those relating to rosters, work methods and housekeeping and how these impact on yourself and others Aviation/EASA health and safety legislation and the effect they have on you, your colleagues and customers Organisational and legal health and safety requirements 	 Adhere to procedures and practices to enable monitoring of health and safety within your area of responsibility Take appropriate remedial action and report in line with your organisation's procedures if systems, procedures and practices for maintaining health and safety are not being complied with or appear to be ineffective Identify any potential hazards in the workplace or on-board Make sure that equipment in serviceable and in safe working order Adheres to your organisation's accident/ incident reporting procedure



 How to identify and report hazards in the workplace 	
 Requirements and importance of crew members fitness and actions which must be taken if unfit for duty and the knock-on on their colleagues (incap/min crew) and risks of further injury/illness for themselves Meet organisations criteria for crew requirements including but not limited to the below: have an arm reach compliant with your organisations standards able to brace with the feet flat on the floor have no criminal convictions able to swim unaided and perform safety duties in water successfully pass a cabin crew training course and relevant examinations Own flight time limitations, and rest requirements How to recognise and manage the risks of fatigue 	 Record and report safety and security incidents including self reporting when required Adhere to your organisation's safety and security reporting procedures Take appropriate action in the event of unusual incidents which may present a safety or security risk Take appropriate remedial action if you become aware of any issues Complete relevant documents accurately and clearly Challenge unsafe acts and breaches of safety and security at all times Timely reporting of actual or suspected breaches of security threats at an appropriate level



 Your organisation's reporting procedures if you have any doubts about your own or another crew members capability to accomplish their duties, including fatigue reporting procedures The organisations' safety management systems and safety culture Understand what a 'safety culture' and a 'just culture' means in your organisation and how to live it Be aware of your responsibility in relation to your organisation's safety management system Be familiar with your organisation's reporting lines Understand the appropriate action to take for reporting any concerns, genuine errors, near misses or those of others Familiarity with your organisation policies 	 Actively engage in a safe, open and honest working environment To be responsible for contributing to the safety and security of all on board To maintain a high degree of competence at all time and be fully conversant with operating manuals and procedures Be honest and vigilant Report hazards, accidents, incidents, near-misses and security threats, using your organisation's reporting methods Report any concerns, genuine errors, near misses or those of others , using the organisations reporting methods
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Organisation	Understand the purpose of the organisation	Work with the team to maintain
	including its visions, objectives and	brand/organisational standards at all times and
	brand/organisational standards, how they compare	identify and address any potential risks according
	to its competitors and how own role, and the	to organisational procedures
	 team, help to achieve them Understanding the industry and where the business sits in line with the competition Understanding the history of the business/brand and how this has shaped the current model Understanding the role of unions and operational partners within the airline industry Understand the airlines long term vision and how this fits with competitors How has aviation evolved to meet the customer expectation How aviation will need to evolve to meet and deliver on customer expectation The influence of technology on the business Understanding your own personal impact on the company brand (uniform, tone of voice, demeanour, personality) Understanding the role of other departments within the business Understanding cost control 	 Maintain uniform standards as per company guidelines Adopt an on brand tone of voice in all communications Engage with customers to gain insight into their expectation Provide customer feedback to relevant departments within the business Develop opportunities to enhance the business brand Report loss and theft ensuring protection of all Company assets Treating all Company property with respect Identify opportunities to reduce costs and increase efficiency



Commercial airline apprentices only)	 The organisations vision, objectives and values of the organisation Understanding the products offered by the business and competitors Understanding change in customer behaviour Understanding the impact of external factors on the business, routes and industry Understanding the constraints that affect the airline operation Understanding business decisions that affect the airline operation The value of service recovery Understanding the contract between the customer and the business 	 Make decisions that satisfy the needs of the customer while delivering for the organisation Modify service delivery to meet customer needs Identify appropriate service recovery initiatives considering cost and benefits Maximising opportunities to enhance the customers experience
	 How to operate commercially with the aim of achieving and exceeding targets and how these contribute to achieving and exceeing targets and how these contribute to achieving the overall organisational objectives Understanding products and relevant regulations Knowledge of ancillary products provided by the airline Understanding current social trends and how this impacts product choices. Knowledge of company loyalty schemes and that of competitors 	 Achieve and aim to exceed commercial targets by applying techniques that are appropriate to all customer profiles Identify opportunities to promote/sell/up sell/link sell on board products Promote routes to customers Promote and sell ancillary on board products Promote airline reward programs Promote 3rd party partner products Identify appropriate sales technique to customer profile and situation



	 The value that company loyalty schemes add to the business and the customer Knowledge of 3rd party partner products Knowledge of a variety of sales techniques 	
CRM/Human Factors	 The principles of Cockpit/Crew Resource Management (CRM) and how to apply them Understanding of each other roles and how they work effectively together in delivering a safe operation Understand the company safety policy as set out in the company's standing operating procedures (SOPs) knowledge of procedures to enhance teamwork, communication and coordination The principles of human factors Understanding of the environmental, organisational and job factors, and individual characteristics which influence behaviour on board 	 Apply principles of Cockpit/Crew Resource Management (CRM) and human factors How both flight crew and cabin crew effectively communicate and collaborate on safety related matters Accurately identify what is going on around us, and to use our perception of what is happening in order to make the right decisions. These 'right' decisions serve to avoid error or, when errors happen, to respond to them in the most effective way to mitigate against their consequences. Communicate clearly and assertively with each other, and coordinating actions to prevent error, to detect error when it does happen, and to mitigate (or reduce) the consequences when errors happen. Being able to focus on facts, being objective by communicating clearly and assertively with each other and coordinating actions to prevent error, to detect error when it doesn't happen and to mitage (or reduce) the consequences when error happens



