

[CAB RESOLUTION NO. 24 (2005), May 12, 2005]

APPROVING THE GUIDELINES ON THE GRANT OF 20% DISCOUNT ON AIR FARES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANDATE OF REPUBLIC ACT (R.A.) NO. 9257, AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD)

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2003 the Congress of the Philippines passed R.A. 9257 entitled AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT TO MAXIMIZE THE CONTRIBUTION OF SENIOR CITIZENS TO NATION BUILDING, GRANT BENEFITS AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES";

WHEREAS, R.A. 9257 as well as its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) which was promulgated by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) on May 28, 2004, required air carriers to grant senior citizens twenty percent (20%) discount on fares for domestic air travel;

WHEREAS, Section 10, paragraph 6 of said IRR, called upon the Civil Aeronautics Board to issue the appropriate circular, guidelines or directive to ensure compliance by air carriers with the mandate of R.A. 9257 and its IRR relative to air transport services;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Sec. 10 of the IRR of R.A. 9257, the BOARD RESOLVED as it hereby RESOLVES to approve and adopt the Guidelines in the implementation of the mandate of R.A. 9257 and its IRR on the grant of at least twenty percent (20%) discount in favor of senior citizens on fares for domestic air travel (thereto attached and made an integral part hereof) which shall take effect immediately upon compliance with legal requirements.

Adopted: 12 May 2005

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Alternate Chairman

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(SGD.) ATTY. FLORENTINO M. HERRERA II
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Member

Attested by:

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Grant of 20% Discount on Air Fares for Senior Citizens in Accordance with the Mandate of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9257, An Act Granting Additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens and Its Implementing Rules and Regulations Issued by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)

I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

WHEREAS, the Congress of the Philippines passed R.A. No. 9257 entitled AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT TO MAXIMIZE THE CONTRIBUTION OF SENIOR CITIZENS TO NATION BUILDING, GRANT BENEFITS AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

WHEREAS, the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A 9257 was duly promulgated by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in accordance with R.A. 9257 on May 28, 2004;

WHEREAS, R.A. 9257 and its IRR require air carriers to allow twenty percent (20%) discount on fares for domestic air travel;

WHEREAS, Section 10, paragraph 6 of said IRR, called upon the Civil Aeronautics Board to issue the corresponding circulars, guidelines or directives to ensure compliance of air carriers with the mandate of R.A. 9257 relative to air transport services;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Sec. 10 of the IRR of R.A. 9257, the BOARD RESOLVED as it hereby RESOLVES to approve and adopt the following Guidelines in the implementation of the mandate of R.A. 9257 on the grant of at least twenty percent (20%) discount on fares for domestic air travel:

II
DEFINITION OF TERMS

For purposes of application and construction of these Guidelines, the following terms shall have the meanings and definitions specified hereunder.

- 2.1 Senior Citizen or Elderly - shall mean any resident citizen of the Philippines at least sixty (60) years old.
- 2.2 Air Fare - shall only refer to passenger fares charged by air carriers engaged in domestic air commerce or transportation
- 2.3 Air Transport Services - any transportation air services under the regulatory functions of the Civil Aeronautics Board.