

FAQs:

Emergency evacuations, Supplemental Type Certificates

Question:

If experience shows that passengers are evacuating with carry-on items, why not creating a requirement to implement an auto-lock of the overhead storage?

Answer:

This option was investigated and considered among several options but not deemed as the preferred one. This option might lead to even extra delay time due to passengers trying to force the overhead storage. One option might be to directly separate the passengers from their baggages, by placing all baggages in the cargo compartment, for instance.

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