



## **IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations**

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### **2.3.2 Goods Acceptable with Operator Approval, as Checked Baggage Only**

The following dangerous goods, as listed in 2.3.2.1 through 2.3.2.6, are permitted on aircraft as checked baggage only and with the approval of the operator(s).

#### **2.3.2.4 Wheelchairs/Mobility Aids with Lithium Batteries**

Lithium-ion battery powered wheelchairs or other similar mobility aids for use by passengers whose mobility is restricted by either a disability, their health or age, or a temporary mobility problem (e.g. broken leg), subject to the following conditions:

**Note:**

*Additional guidance on the end-to-end processes associated with the carriage of mobility aids is available in the IATA Guidance on the Transport of Mobility Aids at the following links –*

*<https://www.iata.org/en/programs/cargo/dgr/dgr-guidance-passengers/>*

*<https://www.iata.org/en/programs/passenger/accessibility/>*

**2.3.2.4.1** The batteries must be of a type which meets the requirements of each test in the UN Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part III, subsection 38.3.

**2.3.2.4.2** The operator must secure, by use of straps, tie-downs or other restraint devices, a battery powered mobility aid with installed battery(ies). The mobility aid, the battery(ies), electrical cabling and controls must be protected from damage including by the movement of baggage, mail or cargo.

**2.3.2.4.3** The operator must verify:

**(a)** the battery terminals are protected from short circuits, e.g. by being enclosed within a battery container;

**(b)** the battery(ies) is either

- 1.** adequately protected against damage by the design of the mobility aid and securely attached to the wheelchair or mobility aid. The electrical circuits must be isolated following the manufacturer's instructions; or
- 2.** removed from the mobility aid following the manufacturer's instructions (see 9.3.14.6 and Figure 9.3.C). Each battery removed from the mobility aid must not exceed 300 Wh.

**Note:**

*When the lithium battery(ies) remain installed in the mobility aid, there is no Watt-hour limit.*

**2.3.2.4.4** A passenger may carry a maximum of one spare lithium ion battery not exceeding 300 Wh or two spare batteries each not exceeding 160 Wh.

**2.3.2.4.5** The operator must ensure that any battery(ies) removed from the mobility aid and any spare battery(ies) are carried in the passenger cabin. The removed or spare battery(ies) must be protected from damage (e.g. by placing each battery in a protective pouch).

**2.3.2.4.6** The operator must inform the pilot-in-command of the location of the mobility aid with installed battery(ies), removed battery(ies) and spare battery(ies).

**2.3.2.4.7** It is recommended that passengers make advance arrangements with each operator.