



CAYMAN ISLANDS ADVANCED PASSENGER INFORMATION SYSTEM

Introduction

The Advance Passenger Information Bill, 2018 requires all aircraft bound for & departing the Cayman Islands to transmit Advanced Passenger Information (API) on all passengers and crew members to the Director of Customs & Border Control of the Cayman Islands. Advance Passenger Information (API) is data in respect of each passenger and crew member on board.

This information must be transmitted as stated above no later than:

For commercial aircrafts -

- (a) arriving to the Islands, no later than sixty minutes prior to departure from the last port of call; and
- (b) departing from the Islands, in three intervals of -
 - (i) seventy minutes prior to departure;
 - (ii) fifty-five minutes prior to departure; and
 - (iii) no later than fifteen minutes after wheels up.

In the case of a privately owned aircraft, as well as agents acting on their behalf -

- (a) arriving to the Islands, no later than sixty minutes prior to departure from the last port of call; and
- (b) departing from the Islands, no later than sixty minutes prior to departure.

Mandatory Requirement

Participation by all inbound and outbound aircraft is **mandatory** and can only be waived by the Director of Customs and Border Control or a designated officer where the aircraft is a military aircraft, on official state business or on the business of a humanitarian organisation. Intentional or reckless failure to transmit, or incomplete transmission of, the API is deemed a summary offence. A captain of an aircraft found guilty of this offence is liable a fine of ten thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term of one year or to both.

Data Elements Required

The table below contains the specific data required for each flight.

HEADER DATA	
Agent/Owner	REQUIRED <i>Available in UNG Header Group, currently submitted by existing carriers</i>

<i>FILE TYPE(PAX/CREW)</i>	
Document Message Identification (Pax/Crew):	REQUIRED <i>Submitted in the BGM section</i>
REPORTING PARTY (segment to identify the name, address and related function)	
• Name	REQUIRED <i>Currently submitted by existing carriers</i>
• Address	CONDITIONAL
• Telephone	REQUIRED
• Fax/Email	CONDITIONAL
DATA RELATING TO THE FLIGHT	All field below are currently submitted by existing carriers
• Flight Identification	REQUIRED
• Scheduled Departure Date and Time	REQUIRED
• Scheduled Arrival Date and Time	REQUIRED
• Last Place/Port of Call	REQUIRED
• Place/Port of Initial Arrival	REQUIRED
• Subsequent Place/Port of Call within the Country Space	CONDITIONAL
ITEM DATA	
Passenger Information	
• Official Travel Document Number	REQUIRED
• Issuing State or Organization of the Official Travel Document	REQUIRED
• Official Travel Document Type	REQUIRED
• Expiration Data of Official Travel Document	REQUIRED
• Surname/Given Name(s)	REQUIRED
• Nationality	REQUIRED
• Date of Birth	REQUIRED
• Gender	REQUIRED
Additional Data elements normally found in airline systems	
• Traveler's Status (Passenger/In-transit Passenger/Crew/In-transit Crew)	REQUIRED (to identify the status of the traveler on the flight, this is Required and not Conditional)
• PLACE/PORT OF ORIGINAL EMBARKATION,	REQUIRED
• PLACE/PORT OF Clearance	REQUIRED
• Place/Port of Onward Foreign Destination	REQUIRED

Additional Data elements not normally found in Airline systems and which must be collected by or on behalf of an airline (Supporting travel documents e.g. residency card etc.)	<i>CONDITIONAL Submitted in the DOC section. Currently submitted by carriers</i>
• Type	CONDITIONAL
• Issuing State or Organization of Document	CONDITIONAL
• Document Number	CONDITIONAL
• Issue/Expiry Date (where applicable)	CONDITIONAL
• Country of Primary Residence	CONDITIONAL
• Destination Address (where required by arrival country)	CONDITIONAL
• Place of Birth	CONDITIONAL

Collection/Collation Agent

The Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Implementation Agency For Crime And Security (IMPACS) operational agency Joint Regional Communications Centre (JRCC) has been appointed by the Government of the Cayman Islands as the agent/representative to collect and collate this information on their behalf.

All new and existing aviation carriers are required to contact the JRCC to arrange testing of the API submissions.

CARICOM IMPACS JRCC Contact Details

Joint Regional Communications Centre
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