



MALTA DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION	OPERATING STANDARDS CIRCULAR (OSC)	OSC No: 11/05 Issue Date: 9 th December 2005
Title	Training of Cabin Crew – Use of Exits in Emergency Evacuation	

1. Purpose

The purpose of this OSC is to help ensure that cabin crew are properly familiarized with the operation of all cabin exits in emergency conditions.

2. Information

Operators of commercial transport aircraft should ensure that cabin crew, on initial and continuation training, are physically familiar with each type of cabin door and are alerted to the fact that, under the operational conditions of an emergency evacuation, the opening of a cabin door may require greater force to overcome the resistance of the girth bar mechanism. Cabin crew should be prepared to seek immediate assistance from another crew member, or a passenger, to ensure expeditious opening of the exit concerned.

This advice is provided subsequent to an accident investigation recommendation into an emergency evacuation from an aircraft in which cabin crew found that activation of the exits in an operational situation required an effort considerably greater than they had been trained to expect.

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