- (vi) Experiments on, or testing of, cargo containers or cargo handling devices;
- (vii) The operation of special equipment for loading or unloading cargo; and
- (viii) The loading or unloading of outsize cargo.
- (5) A person described in paragraph (a)(4) of this section, when traveling to or from his assignment.
- (6) A person performing duty as an honor guard accompanying a shipment made by or under the authority of the United States.
- (7) A military courier, military route supervisor, military cargo contract coordinator, or a flight crewmember of another military cargo contract air carrier or commercial operator, carried by a military cargo contract air carrier or commercial operator in operations under a military cargo contract, if that carriage is specifically authorized by the appropriate armed forces.
- (8) A dependent of an employee of the certificate holder when traveling with the employee on company business to or from outlying stations not served by adequate regular passenger flights.
- (b) No certificate holder may operate an airplane carrying a person covered by paragraph (a) of this section unless—
- (1) Each person has unobstructed access from his seat to the pilot compartment or to a regular or emergency exit;
- (2) The pilot in command has a means of notifying each person when smoking is prohibited and when safety belts must be fastened; and
- (3) The airplane has an approved seat with an approved safety belt for each person. The seat must be located so that the occupant is not in any position to interfere with the flight crewmembers performing their duties.
- (c) Before each takeoff, each certificate holder operating an airplane carrying persons covered by paragraph (a) of this section shall ensure that all such persons have been orally briefed by the appropriate crewmember on—
 - (1) Smoking;
 - (2) The use of seat belts;
- (3) The location and operation of emergency exits;
- (4) The use of oxygen and emergency oxygen equipment; and

- (5) For extended overwater operations, the location of life rafts, and the location and operation of life preservers including a demonstration of the method of donning and inflating a life preserver.
- (d) Each certificate holder operating an airplane carrying persons covered by paragraph (a) of this section shall incorporate procedures for the safe carriage of such persons into the certificate holder's operations manual.
- (e) The pilot in command may authorize a person covered by paragraph (a) of this section to be admitted to the crew compartment of the airplane.

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§ 121.584 Requirement to view the area outside the flightdeck door.

From the time the airplane moves in order to initiate a flight segment through the end of that flight segment, no person may unlock or open the flightdeck door unless:

- (a) A person authorized to be on the flightdeck uses an approved audio procedure and an approved visual device to verify that:
- (1) The area outside the flightdeck door is secure, and;
- (2) If someone outside the flightdeck is seeking to have the flightdeck door opened, that person is not under duress, and;
- (b) After the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section have been satisfactorily accomplished, the crewmember in charge on the flightdeck authorizes the door to be unlocked and open.

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§ 121.585 Exit seating.

(a)(1) Each certificate holder shall determine, to the extent necessary to perform the applicable functions of paragraph (d) of this section, the suitability of each person it permits to occupy an exit seat, in accordance with