



Committee Report

December 07, 2009

YYZ Incidents & Accidents

In the last three months our committee reviewed 137 reports in September , 105 in October and 104 reports for November. They range from Category incidents to minor injuries. We have noted that there are many injuries due to pushing, pulling and stowing of trolleys. When needed, ask for assistance (especially when bringing the bar trolley up the aisle), If item is unserviceable please do not use it, and as best as you can keep your hands clear from the cart stowage cavity!

Injury at work

If you have been injured at work it is always advisable to see your primary health care provider. Let them know your injury occurred at work and request that the appropriate WSIB paperwork be filled out whether time lost from work is anticipated or not. Your health care professional has all the required forms in their office.

Report Health and Safety Issues

As an employee, you have a duty to report all health and safety issues to your employer! When you do, make sure that you copy you CUPE Health & Safety committee. It's a little extra work, but it could save your colleague from injuries.

A Health and Safety Concern Form (ACF32-4) should be filled out if you are reporting a contravention of the Canada Labour Code Part 11 or something in the workplace that you think is a hazard but has not yet resulted in an incident.

YYZ topic of interest

Sagging countertop FIN 210 YYZ/JL/09/107

A flight attendant had a disabling back injury after she pulled a trolley out of its stowage position. The trolley was difficult to move in and out of its stowage. After several cabin defect log entries by crew and maintenance the issue was being signed off as "no fault found".

It appears that the countertop is sagging and the issue was to be revisited at the next scheduled maintenance check. The WPC committee had a flash posted and had CARA temporarily exchange the position of the meal and equipment trolley on all it's A320s.



The aircraft never went to its maintenance check and was signed off again. The issue has been raised again with maintenance; David Paxton has taken measurements of the cavity. We are still struggling with ensuring that the flight attendants are made aware of the condition; Information has been put out on Globe.

Embraer arming lever

We still continue to receive injuries from F/As who get hurt when arming or disarming the Embraer door. With the cold weather approaching levers will get frozen and harder to manoeuvre. If there is the slightest resistance with the door lever please ensure that you refrain from further touching the door and inform the FD right away that you cannot arm or disarm your door. Follow by logging the door so that MTC can have a look at it.

New Local Committee Chair

Sally Fouinetau will be leaving the committee to start her Maternity leave in December. Karen Galanyk will be her replacement and brings 10 years of Health and Safety experience with her. We would like to thank Sally for all her hard work and dedication and look forward to working with Karen in the New Year!

Sally Fouinetau	Health & Safety Local Committee Chair
Angela Morahan	Health & Safety Local Committee Member
Victoria Primavera	Health & Safety Local Committee Member