

TAP Portugal

“Responsible Booking Policies”

Booking Procedures and Consequent Penalties

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For GDS Agents

Introduction

The purpose of this document is to inform our agency partners about existing rules and recommended behaviour regarding booking procedures and air segment management. We count on the cooperation of our business partners in adhering to these policies which serve for everybody's benefit, both TAP, agents and passengers.

This booking policy enables TAP to manage the flight inventories in an optimal manner, allowing us to offer better prices, improving at the same time the passenger service while avoiding booking mistakes.

TAP, will enforce this following set of rules, which comply with IATA regulations partly provided at the end of this document.

TAP will audit all of these transactions to identify the non-compliant, and after confirmation of non-compliance reserves the right to issue an ADM (Agency Debit Memo) or invoice.

TAP has the highest consideration for its commercial partners, values their continuous help and contribute, and believes that this following set of policies will benefit both agencies and passengers. TAP will take in consideration all suggestions in order to improve this document and procedures, aiming for a better service.

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1. Creation of a Passenger Booking

When creating or changing one or more passenger's booking (PNR), the itinerary must be booked in accordance with the Origin and Destination sequence (O&D) and time schedules.

The Minimum Connection Time must be always respected when booking an itinerary with TAP, a Code-Share and/or other airlines.

TAP provides an availability level on Married Segments that may differ if sold separately, including the Minimum Connection Time which may also change.

Travel agencies should avoid creating bookings on the day of the flight without immediate issuance.

2. Ticket Issuance Deadline

Date and time to issue the ticket is set in each booking by an automated TAP system.

In case the issuance of the ticket does not comply with this message, the booking will be cancelled or segments status will change to 'HX', and these changed segments must be immediately removed (refer to point 15).

If booking possesses multiple passengers, and not all tickets are issued, TAP system will split the booking and cancel only the remaining un-ticketed passengers.

For TOC fares, the authorized travel agents must insert the correct SSR that indicates the TOC fare basis that will be issued. The incorrect use of this SSR to benefit from a longer time limit will result in the issuance of an ADM of EUR150.00

3. Ticketing

A TAP ticket may have up to 4 consecutive ticket numbers and 4 flight coupons per number (a maximum of 16 flight coupons).

The E-Ticket must contain the following: Passenger name, airline indicator, flight numbers, date, time of departure and O&D of each flight, fare base, taxes, fare construction, form of payment, issuance date, issuing agency, ticket number and added endorsements regarding the passenger information and fare rules.

Insertion of ticket number in the booking is mandatory. In case this procedure is not done correctly the booking may be cancelled, without the possibility of reinstating on the same fare basis.

TAP does not allow issuance of tickets (047) 100% interline (without any TAP flight); a penalty fee of 100EUR will be charged for each ticket issued in these conditions, exception for Star Alliance fares. In case interline fare has plate restrictions, an ADM of the difference for the first TAP or IATA applicable fare will be charged, with a minimum of 100EUR.

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4. Modification of Passenger Booking

Changes of date, time, O&D and/or connecting cities on flight segments requested by the passenger are considered voluntary booking changes.

Right after the booking change, the agent must change the ticket accordingly, for which he has 2 possibilities:

Revalidation: When there are no fare/RBD changes, other companies involved (code-share or interline) or changes of routing. Revalidation is permitted in any rbd as long as this permission is mentioned in the fare rules (the fare brands *discount*, *basic* and *classic* do not allow revalidation)

Reissuance: All other cases. Reissuance penalty is to be charged as DU tax. If charged with a different tax code an ADM will issued:

- Penalty charged as DV, YQ, YR, OB, OC or XP TAX – an ADM of EUR25.00 will be issued
- Penalty charged as any other tax code – ADM of the penalty full amount will be issued

Note: market Portugal: if penalty is charged as XP Tax - ADM of total penalty will be issued

On voluntary booking changes, before departure of original flight, revalidation or reissuance of ticket must be completed in the first 24 hours after the change of booking, and never after departure time of original flight. On cases that changes occur after departure of original flight (No-Show), the revalidation or reissuance of ticket must be completed up to 24 hours after that change. If agent does not comply with this procedure, an ADM of EUR25 will be issued per ticket.

Additionally, cases of voluntary change to wait listed flights (HL), the 24 hours period will begin as soon as segment is confirmed, exception on weekends and public holidays on travel agents countries, where 24 hours period will start on next working day.

We ask all travel agents to pay close attention to all fare details, (Fare Difference, Penalties, Applicability, Minimum and Maximum Stay, etc...). TAP offers agencies ways of communication in order to clarify these aspects and to avoid mistakes, which will be detected and charged afterwards via ADM.

Some examples of procedures and respective penalties if not complied with:

- **Changes involving interline segments / code-share segments:** Ticket must be reissued. If the fare is an unrestricted fare and ticket is revalidated, an ADM of EUR25 will be issued.
- **Changes involving interline segments / code-share segments:** Ticket must be reissued. If ticket is revalidated and any applicable penalty is charged in an EMD, an ADM of EUR25 will be issued.
- **Changes involving interline segments / code-share segments:** Ticket must be reissued. If ticket is revalidated but no penalty charge is found in an EMD, an ADM with the penalty amount will be issued.
- **Fare does not allow revalidation:** If ticket is revalidated and no penalty charge is found in an EMD, an ADM with the penalty amount will be issued.
- **Fare does not allow revalidation:** If ticket is revalidated and any applicable penalty is charged in an EMD, an ADM of EUR25 will be issued.
- **Change of routing:** Ticket must be reissued. If ticket is revalidated and any applicable penalty/fare difference/tax difference is charged in an EMD, an ADM of EUR25 will be issued.

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- **Change of routing:** Ticket must be reissued. If ticket is revalidated but no penalty charge/fare difference/tax difference is found in an EMD, an ADM with the penalty amount, fare difference and/or tax difference will be issued.
- **Difference in booking class/fuel surcharge increase/tax increase:** Ticket must be reissued. If ticket is revalidated and any applicable penalty/fare difference/tax difference is charged in an EMD, an ADM of EUR25 will be issued.
- **Difference in booking class/fuel surcharge increase/tax increase:** Ticket must be reissued. If ticket is revalidated but no penalty/fare difference/tax difference is charged in an EMD, an ADM with the penalty amount, fare difference and/or tax difference will be issued.

5. Name Change / Name Correction

5.1 Name Change

A change of name refers to the change of a passenger to another passenger on the booking; this is not allowed by TAP. In these situations, the original PNR must be cancelled and a new pnr must be created with the new name and with the available fare. The original ticket must be refunded according to the fare/market rules.

5.2 Name Correction

Name corrections are permitted on pnr's made exclusively on TP/NL/WI flights. Pnr's that include other airline flights or TP marketing flights are not eligible for name correction. Name corrections are only permitted in the cases mentioned below:

- Up to 3 letters in the surname;
- Incomplete surname Example: Green/JohnMr => GreenSmith/JohnMr
- First name and surname swap Example: John/SmithMr => Smith/JohnMr
- Change of surname due to marriage or divorce – pax should present document with new name
- Nickname instead of first name Example: Green/KathyMrs => Green/KatherineMrs
- Title error Example: Smith/JohnMrs => Smith/JohnMr
- Surname swap Example: GreenSmith/JohnMr => SmithGreen/JohnMr
- Incomplete name Example: Santos/FernandaMrs => Santos/MariaFernandaMrs
- First name misspell (letter swap, letter missing, extra letter)
- Infant name change permitted without penalty

These restrictions may vary in case of Group bookings, please refer to country Group Sales Office.

Whenever a name correction is made, the original ticket must be reissued with a penalty of EUR25.00 charged as DU tax (Canada CAD30.00, USA USD30.00) and the following information must be inserted in the ticket *endorsements box*: *Reissue due corr name*.

For the Brazil market the penalty is USD30.00 and it is charged through an EMD PENF with the ticket number in the ICW field. The ticket will then be reissued with *no adc*.

Shall there be any change of date, flight or RBD upon the reissuance of a tkt due to name correction, the corresponding penalty fee for voluntary rebooking as well as any fare difference must be charged along with the name correction fee. If these additional amounts are not charged upon reissuance, an **ADM** will be sent.

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If the pnr is waitlisted after the name correction, the agent shall:

- wait for the confirmation of the pnr in the same rbd

Or

- change the pnr to the available rbd, charge the fare difference plus the EUR25.00 penalty

6. Cancellations and Refunds

A ticket is valid for 1 year counting from the date of issuance, whether to fly, reissue or refund.

- 1) Before that period the agent may refund the ticket according to the specific applicable fare rules.
- 2) After that period, all refund requests must be submitted directly to TAP Refund Department.

Refunds may be processed via GDS (Direct Refund) or requested via BSP Link (Indirect Refund); the last ones being acted later by TAP. Agents must pay close attention to ticket expiration and fare rules.

All refunds that are subject to previous TAP approval and are submitted for a Direct Refunds without it will be subject to ADM.

Direct Refunds:

- Will be posted on agent's BSP or ARC report at the end of the reporting period.
- It is not allowed to change original form of payment. Shall the refund form of payment be different from the original form of payment, an **adm** will be issued as follows:
 - a fixed amount of EUR200.00 whenever the refund amount requested is equal or higher than EUR200.00
 - the total amount of the refund whenever the amount requested is less than EUR200.00
- If the refund value is incorrect and requires correction, the value difference will be charged with a minimum of **EUR25.00**. In case a flight coupon submitted for refund is in the meanwhile or was previously refunded, apart from ADM an extra fee of **EUR100.00** will be charged.

Indirect Refunds:

- Every time a refund is processed via BSP Link a fee of 25EUR will be charged.

Refunds that have special exceptions due to commercial reasons must be documented by email up to the end of the month on which they were processed.

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7. Special Fares

Special Fares are defined as those which have a reduction of price compared to a published fare and categorized as follows:

- Private: Negotiated directly with TAP
- Group: Negotiated directly with TAP – RBD: ‘G’
- Student: Passenger with Special Status – documentation required
- Resident: Passenger with Special Status – documentation required
- Seamen/Offshore: Passenger with Special Status – documentation required
- Child: Less than 12 years up to the date of departure of the last flight
- Infant: Less than 2 years up to the date of departure of the last flight

Non-compliance with the rules and regulations of special fares will result in the issuance of an ADM.

8. Special Requests (SSR)

Special Requests or Special Services are those who are associated with a passenger, and/or reservation and can be divided into two categories depending on the request channel to adopt:

- Requested to the GDS: PETC; AVIH; SPEQ; BIKE; BULK; XBAG; WEAP; UMNK; BSCT; Special Meals; Seats; Wheel Chairs; BLND; DEAF; SVAN; INFT;
- Requested to TAP: EXST; STCR; OXYG; CBBG; SVAN; ESHO; MEDA; DPNA; POC; CPAP; ESAN;

Each of these requests has a specific procedure, which can be found in the various TAP means of communication with the agent and must be scrupulously fulfilled. At least 48 hours before departure the agent should check whether there has been any change in the Status of the service, since it can be cancelled for various reasons, even when previously confirmed.

The passenger documentation should also be inserted as SSR (frequent flyer program or identification documents). The latter are required before issuing the ticket in some destinations.

9. TAP Victoria

TAP's frequent flyer program, TAP Victoria, allows passengers to earn miles with their travels, whether with TAP or another Star Alliance airline. It is important that the agent inquires the passenger of its program, and inserts correctly his frequent flyer number on the booking. If the passenger is not affiliated with any program, he can always sign for free through the website www.tapvictoria.com.

The number of miles earned with the travel depends on the flight and fare booked; these miles can also be used to purchase air tickets, and such reservations should be made directly with TAP Victoria.

When inserting the frequent flyer number on the reservation, note that the card name must match exactly the name of the booking. If entered correctly and before the first “end of transaction” the

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passenger's frequent flyer status, *Miles, Silver* or *Gold Winner*, will be taken into account by TAP, and in the last two cases may grant the passenger special conditions.

10. Schedule Change

TAP rules concerning treatment of schedule changes (Booking changes/ticket reissuance/refunds) in travel agencies bookings.

10.1 Prerequisites and general rules

The passenger should have a **TAP ticket and a confirmed reservation on a TAP flight (TAP flight number or TAP operated flight)**. In case of reservation with interline flight involved please report to the General Conditions of Carriage.

The schedule change or cancellation of a TAP flight **or operated by TAP** occurs **more than 24 hours prior to departure** – Note: If schedule change occurs within the 24hours period prior to departure, the processing of irregularities is the sole and exclusive responsibility of TAP.

In case of special circumstances, such as strike, weather, airport closure, etc., additional rules may apply which will be properly provided by TAP.

With previous authorization from TAP travel agencies may process schedule changes on TAP tickets and should comply according to the rules described below. In case of doubt regarding schedule change, cancellation of flight or if you want TAP to handle the case, you should contact TAP directly.

If performing an involuntary ticket reissuance or refund, obey all the following rules as described, otherwise an ADM may be issued on behalf of the Agency.

These procedures may vary for Group (RBD: 'G') or Miles (RBD: 'X' and 'I') bookings.

10.2 Schedule Change Procedures

If the passenger has been placed on an alternative flight by TAP, he can make a free amendment to another flight/connecting flight he considers acceptable (see section 10.2.1 "Alternatives ...") – any additional change will be subject to fare conditions.

If the passenger has not been placed on another flight by TAP, the passenger can choose for free and only once a flight/connecting flight that he considers acceptable (see section 10.2.1 "Alternatives ...") – any additional change will be subject to fare conditions.

Note: this free booking change must be processed within 10 days after the schedule change (UN/TK sent to the PNR) – any rebooking made or requested after the period of 10 days of the schedule change will be considered a voluntary booking change, according to fare conditions.

Changes of origin and/or destination for regular schedule changes are not allowed. In case of an exceptional situation, example, the closure of the airport, etc., specific rules shall apply. These cases should be processed by TAP, except when otherwise stated.

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10.2.1 Alternatives that agencies may offer the passenger

Alternative 1:

Rebooking for a **TP flight** (flight number TP, operated by TP)

Rebook to the same RBD of the original ticket, within the validity of the same.

Should it not be possible to rebook on original booking class, another available booking class (RBD) within the **same compartment** may be used, but only if the new departure date is **within 3 days before or after the original flight date**.

Alternative 2:

If an alternative TP flight it is not available:

Rebook for a **flight number TP marketing** (not operated by TP) may be possible, however in that case the travel agency must contact TAP Help Desk in order to rebook and reissue the ticket.

Should neither of the alternatives 1 or 2 be available or if not accepted by the passenger, the agent should contact TAP. There may be other alternatives, e.g. on partner airlines in the *Star Alliance*, but in these cases the Schedule change must be dealt with only by TAP. If none of the possible alternatives is accepted by the passenger, the ticket should be refunded.

10.3 Ticket Reissuance

The agent may change the booking and reissue the ticket according to the rules described above, with prior authorization from the TAP.

It is mandatory to indicate the reason for the reissue on the FE field: example: INVOL DUE SCHED CHNG XXX TP/DDMM or INVOL DUE CANCEL TP XXX/DDMM. If, this element is not introduced or if flight/reason is incorrect, an ADM will be automatically created.

10.4 Refunds

In case of a schedule change or cancellation of a TAP flight (TAP flight number) with TAP ticket, the passenger may be entitled to compensation according EU-Regulation 261/2004.

In case of a schedule change or cancellation of flight (flight number) of another airline, with TAP ticket, the agent must contact TAP.

You can perform an involuntary refund directly in your GDS – however, in every case, it is absolutely necessary to contact TAP for an authorization. The lack of authorization will lead to an ADM.

Any unused ticket can be refunded in full, as well as any partially used ticket can be partially refunded. In case of individual coupons (e.g. coupons of connecting flights) not used due to an irregularity/schedule change, the agent may request the refund via BSPLink (a service fee of EUR25.00 will apply) or via GDS (no service fee applies).

If GDS refunds are closed in the market, no service fee will apply to a BSP Link refund application.

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11. Fictitious, Speculative and Test Bookings

These are reservations created using names and/or fictional/speculative segments, with no intention to travel and/or that were not requested by the passenger for the purpose of issuing a ticket. In addition bookings that are created for testing or training.

The training mode on each GDS must be used when it is required for this purpose.

It is strictly prohibited to create segments and/or PNRs for:

- Keeping or blocking places for future sale expectation
- Circumvent fare rules
- Get confirmation from other segments
- Book and/or sell airspace not request by the passenger, example: flights added to the PNR to remove later.

12. Booking an incorrect RBD or Sub-Class

All bookings must be made on the correct class in accordance with the paid fare. In the vast majority of cases the first letter in the name of fare is the RBD in which it must be reserved.

When used an incorrect RBD or subclass and if the ticket is issued, TAP will issue an ADM with the difference to the booked class.

13. Churning

All reservations made by agents must be issued or cancelled when required, or until 24 hours before departure.

Cancellations with rebooking of a segment in the same or another class in the same booking or on various PNR and/or GDS to circumvent or prolong the ticketing deadline is not allowed by TAP.

This type of procedure is monitored by TAP. If this situation exceeds or equals 8 transactions (book-cancel-book-cancel-book-cancel-book-cancel), the result is the issuance of an ADM of **5EUR** per passenger per segment per exceeding transaction.

Transferring a PNR between agents (Claim PNR) is considered as a Cancellation (cancel) on the originator's side and a new Booking (book) on the claimer's side, these actions count for the Churning transitions.

In the same way, the action of splitting/dividing a booking are considered as a Cancellation (cancel) on the original PNR and a new Booking (book) on the new PNR, these actions count for the Churning transitions, if considered entirely unnecessary.

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14. Fictitious Ticket

TAP does not allow the use of fictional ticket number or total/partially flown to maintain an active booking. Such procedure could result in sanctions and cancellation of the reservation.

15. Inactive Segments (Status Code: HX/NO/UC/UN/US)

It is important to reply to all status messages from the airline, such as HX, NO, UC, UN and US that can occur for various reasons (such as DUPE, no-show, WL Clearer, Schedule Change,...), hence **all segments with Status Code HX/NO/UC/UN/US must be removed up to 24 hours before departure time of the flight**, using the cancellation entry.

Check daily the "queues", if this message occurs on a reservation the same is placed in the queue of Schedule Change and/or Special Services.

Failure to follow this procedure will result in the issuance of an ADM amounting to **5EUR** per passenger per segment.

16. Married Segments Breach

Married Segments may offer different booking availability classes than flights reserved separately.

Married Segments must be issued, changed and cancelled together.

Travel agencies that break this set of segments to gain access to lower fares, which otherwise would be unavailable, will be penalized:

- All PNR's identified with "Married Segments Breach" will be cancelled, unless ticket is issued.
- For all identified situations (**with or without a ticket issued**) ADM's will be issued, per passenger and per segment breached:
 - Economy Class (Domestic and European): 150EUR or equivalent in local currency
 - Business Class (Domestic and European): 250EUR or equivalent in local currency
 - Economy Class (Long Haul): 250EUR or equivalent in local currency
 - Business Class (Long Haul): 400EUR or equivalent in local currency

This procedure will be implemented from 1st January 2014. Waive of the ADM's is not authorized.

17. Look-to-Book Ratio

TAP allows all agencies (for Office ID or PCC) a look-to-book ratio (L2B) maximum of 400:1, meaning that at most one agent can verify the availability of TAP flights 400 times for each booked segment.

It is the responsibility of the Agency to ensure that this limit is complied with. TAP has mechanisms to identify if this limit is exceeded.

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18. Duplicated Booking (DUPES)

TAP does not allow duplication of bookings. Additionally, flights booked on one or more PNRs and/or GDSs, which of course are impossible to travel, are not allowed.

TAP has a system that detects and clears this kind of duplications by sending a message with code 'HX'. This kind of inactive segments must be removed by the travel agency up to 24 hours before the flight.

If you receive a DUPE message, it is very important to contact TAP to settle this situation.

19. Passive Segments

TAP only allows booking of this type of segments, to IATA agents or ARC, for ticket issuing purposes.

Passive segments cannot be used for other purposes, such as to satisfy productivity levels required by the agreement between the Agency and GDS and circumvent fare rules.

Once the tickets are issued, any passive segments should be removed up to 24 hours prior to departure.

TAP recommends contacting the GDS's Help Desk for information on Claim PNR.

TAP has the possibility to eliminate or limit the use of this type of segments per country or agent.

20. Waiting Lists (WL)

The booking of waiting lists is a common practice for travel agencies, allowing the passenger the possibility of a more advantageous fare. Although TAP possesses tools that may inhibit or reduce the possibility of booking WL segments and in order to reduce high costs to TAP that this procedure brings, we ask the agents if they can:

1. Limit the number of segments in the waiting list to **1** per segment or date.
2. Cancel and remove segments that are not needed or have not been confirmed up to 24 hours before the flight.

21. Unticketed No-Shows

A No-show occurs when a passenger is booked on a flight and does not board.

This situation happens also when a travel agent does not cancel a reservation that was not requested or when the passenger reported that he wouldn't be able to travel. This leads to a discrepancy between the inventory available and the real inventory.

Segments without ticket issued, resulting in unticketed no-show, are subject to a penalty of **25EUR** per passenger per segment, which will result in the issuance of an ADM by TAP.

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22. Post-Issuance Booking Compliance

When a PNR has ticketed segments and one of them is flown, all new segments added to the PNR must be ticketed according to the information on the fare notes, chapter advance purchase/ticketing.

If Ticket is not issued within this time limit, ADMs will be issued as follow:

- EUR150 European segments in Economy
- EUR250 European segments in Business
- EUR250 Intercontinental segments in Economy
- EUR400 Intercontinental segments in Business

23. “Hidden” Groups

TAP policy defines that 10 or more passengers travelling on the same flight round-trip, constitute a group, regardless of the fare purchased.

TAP informs GDS agents that, in the event that many individual bookings are created to circumvent this situation, these may be cancelled.

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ADM Policy

According to the IATA resolution 850m (Passenger Agency Conference Resolutions Manual), we hereby inform which is TAP Portugal's ADM (Agent Debit Memo) policy from 1st June 2014.

TAP will issue an ADM document to correct any calculation difference or incorrect report in the following cases: issuance (example: plating violation), reissuance, revalidation, refunds - both in the rate as in commissions and fees - incorrect duplicated or fictitious bookings, or for non-compliance with the "Responsible Booking Policy", not excluding any other cases or errors.

The ADM's will be issued via BSPLink and can only be disputed through the appropriate channel defined by the market, within 15 days of date of issue, in accordance with IATA reso 850m. These ADM's will be issued against the ticket issuing agency and/or the responsible for the creation of the booking.

However in cases of incorrect reservation procedures by a Non IATA Travel Agent, and since debit is not possible via BSP Link or ARC, TAP reserves the right to invoice the travel agent and or inhibit its access to the inventory.

Every ADM issuance: an administrative fee may be applied.

The language used in ADM issuance will be English.

ADM Fare Structure

Parameter	Debit *
Booking errors, reissuances and refunds	Difference to correct value
Booking in incorrect RBD/Sub-class	Difference to correct value
Churning	EUR 5 per segment
Inactive Segments (Status Code: HX/NO/UC/UN/US)	EUR 5 per segment
Breach of Married Segments	EUR 150 (European and Domestic) EUR 250 Business (European and Domestic) EUR 250 (Long Haul) EUR 400 Business (Long Haul)
Unticketed No-show	EUR 25 per segment

* Per passenger, plus administrative fee.

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This manual of "Responsible Booking Policy" for GDS agencies is a legitimate tool and is written according to the industry and IATA regulations and it serves as a guide to the different markets in "TAP World", whom may make the amendments that they find necessary, adapting it to their trade policy.

TAP reserves the right to modify, add or remove parameters of this document without prior notice and expects travel agencies to refer to it regularly.

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24. IATA resolutions backing TAP Booking policy up

IATA resolution 824, Passenger Sales Agency Agreement:

§3.1 “the agent is authorised to sell air passenger transportation on the services of the Carrier and on the service of other carriers as authorised by the Carrier. The sale of air passenger transportation means all activities necessary to provide passenger with a valid contract of carriage. The sale of air passenger transportation means all activities necessary to provide a passenger with a valid contract of carriage including but not limited to the issuance of a valid Traffic document and the collection of monies therefor. The agent is also authorised to sell such ancillary and other services as the Carrier may authorize;”

§3.2 “all services sold pursuant to this Agreement shall be sold on behalf of the Carrier and in compliance with Carrier’s tariffs, conditions of carriage and the written instruction of the Carrier as provided to the Agent. The Agent shall not vary or modify the terms and conditions set forth in any Traffic Document used for services provided by the Carrier, and the agent shall complete these documents in the manner prescribed by the Carrier;”

IATA Resolution 852, §2.1 regulates the selection of Validation Carrier, for the issuance of documents on behalf of the Carrier and in compliance with Carrier’s validation principle; the agent shall comply with the instructions issued by the BSP/ARC and the ticketing Carrier in relation to the issuance and reporting of electronic tickets:

“2.1 the ticketing airline shall be any BSP Airline participating in the transportation, or a BSP Airline acting as the General Sales Agent for any airline participating in any sector of the transportation in the country of ticket issuance, provided that the selection of Validating Carrier conforms to the requirements of the fare rules where applicable and subject to the existence of a valid interline agreement between the ticketing airline and each transporting airline,”

IATA Resolution 890, Card Sales Rules §1- 4, states that the Agents shall comply with the resolution and instructions issued by the BSP Manual and the ticketing Airline in relation to acceptance of cards.

IATA Resolution 049x, Fare Changes, “resolved that:

- 1) Transportation shall be subject to the fares and charges in effect on the date on which full payment is made, for travel on the specific dates and journey shown on the ticket
- 2) Provided no voluntary change is made to the originating flight, no increase in fare effected through a change in fare level, a change in conditions governing the fare, or cancellation of the fare itself, shall apply
- 3) In the event of a voluntary change to the originating flight, the fares and charges for the passenger’s journey shall be recalculated in accordance with the fares and charges in effect on the date on which the change is made and is reflected on the ticket
- 4) in the event payment is made prior to confirmation of reservations for the originating flight, the fares and charges for the passenger’s journey shall be recalculated in accordance with the fares and charges in effect on the date on which the confirmation is made”

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IATA resolution 830a, §1 Consequences of Violation of Ticketing and Reservation Procedures

“1. all agents be reminded that practices such as listed herein, in other applicable Resolutions, or in Carriers’ written instructions, but not limited thereto, violate the governing conditions referred to above. They harm Members’ legitimate interests and can accordingly result in action being taken under the provisions of the Sales Agency Rules and Passenger Sales Agency Agreement. E.g. charging the Agent with the difference between the fare applied and the fare applicable to the service in accordance with Member’s tariff.”

25. IATA resolution backing TAP ticketing policy up

IATA resolution 824, §3.2 Passenger Sales Agency Agreement:

“3.2 All services sold pursuant to this Agreement shall be sold on behalf of the Carrier and in compliance with Carrier’s tariffs, conditions of carriage and the written instructions of the Carrier as provided to the Agent. The agent shall not in any way vary or modify the terms and conditions set forth in any Tariff. Document used for services proved by the Carrier, and the Agent shall complete these documents in the manner prescribed by the Carrier.”

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1.12 Issuing/selling a ticket with a fictitious point of origin or destination in order to undercut the applicable fare(cross border selling)

1.13 failing to observe the applicable rules for Designation and Selection of Ticketing Airline (Resolution 852) and/or designating transportation on such parties' services where a valid interline agreement between the ticketing airline and the transporting party does not exist, 1.14 cancelling or amending a customer booking and/or Electronic Ticket without the express permission of that customer

1.15 Deliberately making duplicate reservations for the same customer.

1.16 When reservations for a group are not confirmed, attempting to secure the required service by requesting this in smaller numbers in individual transactions

1.17 making reservation transactions without the specific request of a customer

1.18 making an amendment to a booking that has previously been issued as an e-ticket without either revalidating or reissuing, as applicable, the original ticket to reflect the new itinerary

1.19 voiding tickets without cancelling corresponding reservations

1.20 failing to split PNRs in cases where not all passengers included in the PNR are ticketed.

1.21 failing to observe the prescribed minimum connecting times.”