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Subject: Risks in Transporting Lithium Batteries in Cargo by Aircraft

Ref. Publications: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Safety Alert for Operators (SAFO) [10017](#), dated 08 October 2010.
 International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Electronic Bulletin (EB) [No. 2011/7](#), dated 15 February 2011.
[ICAO Document 9284](#), *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air*.

Applicability: All aeroplanes and helicopters where Lithium batteries can be carried onboard as cargo.

Description: This SIB was initially published in order to enable owners and operators of aircraft, registered in European Union Member States or associated countries, to note the content of the FAA SAFO.

Since the first issue of this SIB, ICAO has published a bulletin on this subject, referenced above, highlighting the need for States to ensure adherence to the ICAO Technical Instructions and for them to actively engage with their affected industry to promote awareness of the requirements relating to this very important flight safety issue. EASA wishes to further highlight the safety issues associated with the transport of lithium batteries by air and asks those involved in such operations to carefully note the points made in the ICAO Bulletin.

This SIB is revised to make reference to the ICAO publications and to clarify that EASA recommends that operators take actions as currently described in the related ICAO Technical Instructions.

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