

Carriage Of 'kirpan' By Sikh Passengers While Travelling by Air.

Security Regulations

Carriage of "Kirpans" in the Passenger Cabin

The 'Kirpan' is an important religious symbol of Sikhism. As per Indian law, Passengers travelling on flights with point of origin and destination both being within India, on an Indian registered aircraft are permitted to carry a 'Kirpan' in person. The dimensions of the 'Kirpan' must not exceed a total maximum length of 9 inches (22.86 cms.), including the length of the blade not exceeding 6 inches (15.24 cms.) and the length of the handle not exceeding 3 inches (7.62 cms).

Carriage of 'Kirpan' is not permitted in the cabin of an aircraft either on person or in the Hand Baggage **on any International flight or** on any Domestic flight operating through an International Terminal Security Hold Area. The same must be carried by the passenger in the checked-in baggage only.