Joint Release

Notice regarding the Handling of Power Banks on board Aircraft

As a unified initiative by Japanese carriers, the following measures will be implemented as of July 8 by all member airlines of The Scheduled Airlines Association of Japan. These measures, developed in coordination with the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, aim to prevent incidents such as smoke or fire involving power banks on board aircraft and to further enhance cabin safety.

Cases involving power banks emitting smoke or catching fire on aircraft have been reported both in Japan and overseas. For instance, in the case of the Air Busan aircraft fire, which occurred this January at Gimhae Airport, Republic of Korea, investigators have suggested that a power bank may have been the cause.

While placing power banks in checked baggage is prohibited, we kindly request all passengers for their cooperation on the following precautions regarding the handling of power banks brought on board:

- 1. Avoid stowing power banks in overhead compartments.
- Keep power banks in an accessible location during use and while charging from onboard power outlets. (Attached: Appendix 1, MLIT Press Release)

We sincerely ask for your understanding and cooperation in reducing the risk of fires and other incidents involving power banks on board, thereby ensuring a safe and comfortable journey for all passengers.



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About The Scheduled Airlines Association of Japan

Established on December 6, 1991, The Scheduled Airlines Association of Japan conducts various research and studies related to the air transportation industry in order to promote the sound development of air transport services in Japan.

Main Activities:

- Research and studies related to the air transportation industry
- Petitions and requests to government agencies, the legislature, political parties, and other stakeholders
- Public outreach to air travelers and the general public
- Matters concerning legal and regulatory issues
- Other activities necessary to achieve the association's objectives

Number of member airlines (as of July 1, 2025) : 19