Aircraft accidents kill and injure passengers and pilots each year. We want you to have a safe and successful outing, so if you’re not sure about something, ask your pilot.

**A safe pilot will:**

- Have a seat and seat belt for you
- Show you how to use the seat belt and operate the doors
- Explain the location and use of survival equipment
- File a flight plan

**A passenger may ask the pilot:**

- Are you licensed, rated and current for this flight?
- Have you checked the weight and balance of the aircraft?
- Have you obtained a weather forecast?
- Have you filed a flight plan?
- Should I make alternative arrangements or reschedule due to bad weather?

**A passenger may NOT ask the pilot:**

- To carry a payload beyond the weight and balance limitations of the aircraft
- To takeoff or land at an airstrip which is less than the length required by the aircraft
- To fly below 500’ except for takeoff or landing
- To fly into weather he or she considers unsafe or against regulation
- To fly beyond allowable duty time limits
- To take risks by continuing a flight for the safe of meeting one of your prior commitments

*Courtesy of the FAA Aviation Safety Program, Anchorage Flight Standards District Office. For questions or additional information, call 1-907-271-2006 or 1-800-294-5116.*

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**Flyer's Rights**

Pilots are entitled to expect passengers to:

- Comply with their decisions as to loading of the aircraft
- Accept the nature of the VFR flight and the possibility of delays or cancellation of the trip
- Follow their instructions in the event of an emergency

*Other Important Information*

- Am I suitably dressed in case of an enroute unplanned landing?
- Are ear plugs available?
- Did I give my flight route, destination, and timeline to a reliable friend or family member?

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**Flyer's Rights**

Passengers are entitled to ask pilots about:

- Location of the Emergency Locator Transmitter and survival equipment
- How to exit the airplane during an emergency
- Tying down all the cargo
- A seat and seatbelt for every passenger
- A preflight safety briefing
- The weight and balance of the aircraft
- The takeoff and landing performance for the aircraft at this weight
- The weather conditions and filing a flight plan