

Hello,

Please consider food allergies in the new CTA regulations. I have a peanut and nut allergy, and when I travel I know there are extra precautions to take. I can pack my own snacks for flights, and don't need or expect airlines to offer allergen free meals. However, I would appreciate if the serving of snacks actually *containing* the common allergens in Canada be prohibited on commercial passenger airplanes, as well as other areas of travel (i.e. rail, ferry, bus). I recently travelled to the USA for a work-related conference, and was shocked when peanuts were offered as an in-flight snack. I was very surprised and quickly began to feel stressed and unsafe.

Please consider implementing a system within the ticket booking process asking customers to self-identify a food allergy and ask if they need accommodation. Preparation is key. Staff can be aware that there is a person with an allergy on board, know where they are sitting, and be able to quickly help them in an emergency. Staff training should include being able to recognize anaphylaxis, in addition to the proper use of an auto-injector.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on ways to accommodate passengers traveling with food allergies.

Sincerely,

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