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Background

1998: Resolution A32-7 on Assistance to aircraft accident victims and their families

2001: Circular 285, Guidance on Assistance to aircraft accident victims and their families

2005: Provisions in Annex 9 to enable expeditiously entry into the State of occurrence

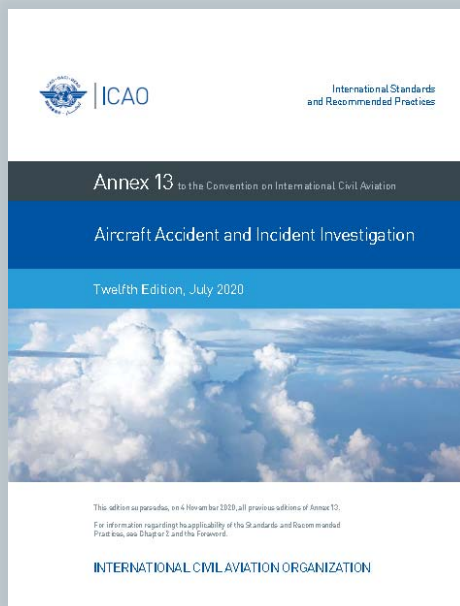
2013: Publication of a Policy document together with guidance material



Related Annexes

Annex 13

Participation of States suffering fatalities to their citizens



RP 5.29 introduced in Annex 13 in **1976**, strengthened to a Standard in **2001**

Para 5.27 amended; & new RP 5.28 in 2010

Annex 9

Chapter 8, Section I – Assistance to aircraft accident victims and their families



Family assistance provisions issued in **2005**

New RP 8.46 in 2016



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Annex 9-Facilitation SARPs

The State of Occurrence of an aircraft accident and adjacent States shall make arrangements to facilitate the entry into their territory on a temporary basis of family members of victims of an aircraft accident.



Obligations of the State of Occurrence of an aircraft accident and adjacent State



facilitate temporary entry for family members of victims (Std. 8.41) and authorized representatives of the aircraft operators (Std. 8.42)



States shall issue ETD to their nationals who have survived (Std. 8.44)



States shall extend all necessary assistance in arranging customs clearance in repatriation of human remains (Std. 8.45)



States shall establish legislation, regulations, policies (RP. 8.46 Std.8.46)



States should ensure that each aircraft and airport operator to develop assistance plans to aircraft accident victims and their families (New RP)

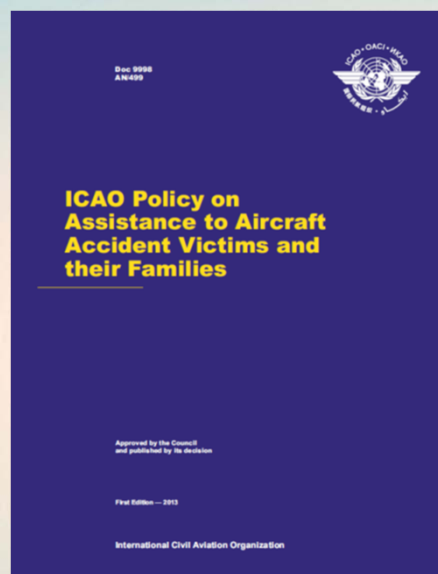


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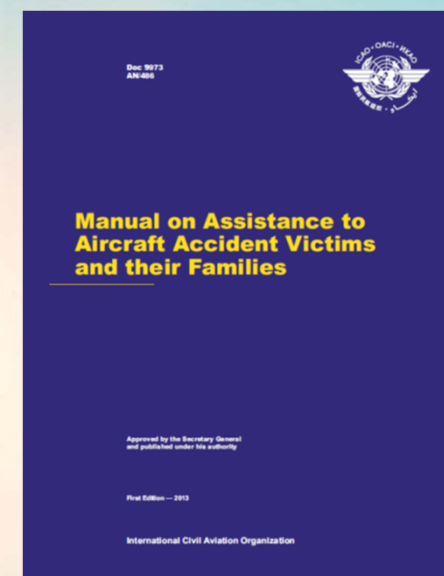
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Policy and Guidance material



Doc 9998: *ICAO Policy on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families*



Doc 9973: *Manual on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families*



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Assembly Resolution A39-27

**Strong Commitment to support victims of civil aviation
Accidents and their family members**

For
Council

give further
consideration to the
development of
SARPs to support
victims of civil
aviation accidents
and their family
members.

For
States

Establish
legislation,
regulations and
policies to
support victims
of civil aviation
accidents and
their family
members

Inform ICAO of
the level of
implementation
of the related
Annex 9
provisions



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Assembly Resolution A40-16

Consolidated statement of continuing ICAO policies related to facilitation

For
States

Urged Members
States to implement
the provisions of
Annex 9 to facilitate
assistance to aircraft
accident victims and
their families

For
Council

Consider
upgrading Annex
9 RP 8.46 into an
international
Standard

Consider
introducing a
new Annex 9 RP,
for aircraft and
airport operators
on the
development of
plans to provide
timely and
effective
assistance



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Special Session alongside 13th Air Navigation Conference

Ensuring accident victims and their families
are treated the same the world over



Montréal, 16 Oct 2018



Agenda

- 1) Legislation, regulations and policies on family assistance
- 2) ICAO provisions stemming from A39, CC, and USOAP
- 3) Lessons and experiences on the provision of family assistance
- 4) Round table: prospective views on family assistance and the way forward



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The way forward

A State Letter has been issued on 10 May 2021 urging Member States to implement Annex 9 provisions to facilitate assistance to aircraft accident victims and their families

FALP/12 Recommendations on the SARPs related to Assistance to Victims of Air Accidents and their Families to be adopted by the Council in 2022

Expected Conclusions and Recommendations to be agreed during the Symposium on Assistance to Victims of Air Accidents and their Families hosted by Spain 1-3 Dec. 2021

Provide appropriate training to States on Doc. 9998 and 9973 through the development of an ICAO Trainer Plus course

Thank You

