

Incident 1 of 6:

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: AS752 (Seattle, WA to Kansas City, MO)
Date of incident: May 4, 2015
Time of incident: 3:45 PM CDT

Type of Incident: Injury

Description of animal (including name): A 4 year old German Whitehaired Pointer named Klaus

Narrative description of incident: After delivery to the consignee at Kansas City, MO and removal from the animal's kennel, cargo services personnel noticed that four year old German Whitehaired Pointer Klaus had a slight limp. Alaska Airlines management personnel recommended that the animal be sent to a local veterinarian for consultation. Animal had previous surgeries on leg and hip and appears to have aggravated this previous condition.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: After delivery to consignee, a four year old German Whitehaired pointer named Klaus exhibited a slight limp when removed from their kennel. There is no evidence to suggest that the airline's handling contributed to the animal's injury.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident: No corrective actions required; No photographs available of incident.

Incident 2 of 6:

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: AS136 (Anchorage, AK to Seattle, WA)
Date of incident: May 16, 2015
Time of incident: 5:12 AM PST

Type of Incident: Injury

Description of animal (including name): 11 month old Black Mouth Cur named Pepper

Narrative description of incident: Upon arrival into Seattle, WA an 11 month old dog named Pepper escaped from their kennel and exited the aircraft pit to the ramp. During the escape, Pepper sustained minor injuries to the nails and paw pads and was taken to a veterinarian by Alaska Airlines management personnel and Pepper's owner. After further review, a load shift in the aircraft cargo compartment had pressed against the cage and may have contributed to the escape. The passengers and Pepper were rebooked for a later flight and traveled without further incident.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: Upon arrival into Seattle, WA an 11 month old Black Mouth Cur named Pepper escaped from their kennel onto the airport ramp and sustained minor injuries to their paw pads and nails. After further review, a load shift in flight may have added pressure to the kennel door assembly and likely contributed to the animal's escape.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident: Alaska Airlines is currently reviewing new technology options to limit load shifts in flight. Ramp personnel have been provided with best practices in opening aircraft cargo compartment doors when animals are being transported. No photographs available of incident.

Incident 3 of 6:

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: AS731 (Seattle, WA to Anchorage, AK)
Date of incident: May 14, 2015
Time of incident: 8:45 PM PST

Type of Incident: Death

Description of animal (including name): A 12 year old Cocker Spaniel named Shiloh

Narrative description of incident: Prior to its loading on AS731 to Anchorage, AK, from transfer flight AS2470 (Portland, OR to Seattle, WA) ground service agents reported that 12 year old Cocker Spaniel Shiloh was not moving and appeared to be lifeless. Alaska Airlines management personnel informed the owners who requested the animal be transported to their final destination of Anchorage, AK. A necropsy was performed where the cause of death was reported as acute cardiovascular collapse associated with multiple organ failure from an undiagnosed disseminated hemangiosarcoma.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: During a transfer from AS2470 to AS731, a 12 year old Cocker Spaniel was reported to be unresponsive by ramp personnel. There is no evidence to suggest that the airline's handling contributed to the animal's death.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident: No corrective actions required; No photographs available of incident.

Incident 4 of 6:

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: AS679 (Denver, CO to Seattle, WA)
Date of incident: May 15, 2015
Time of incident: 5:40 AM MDT

Type of Incident: Injury

Description of animal (including name): Siberian Husky of unknown age and name.

Narrative description of incident: During the loading process for AS679 from Denver, CO to Seattle, WA, ramp personnel reported that a Siberian Husky of unknown age had damaged the kennel it was traveling in and in doing so had sustained minor gum damage. The animal and passengers were removed from the flight and rebooked for a flight later in the day. The passengers were required to purchase a new kennel for acceptance prior to travel and the animal was taken to the vet.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: During the loading process for AS679, ramp personnel reported that a dog had damaged its kennel and had sustained minor gum damage in the process. There is no evidence to suggest that the airline's handling contributed to the animal's death.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident: No corrective actions required; No photographs available of incident.

Incident 5 of 6:

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: AS82 (Anchorage, AK to Seattle, WA)

Date of incident: May 22, 2015
Time of incident: 8:45 PM PST

Type of Incident: Death

Description of animal (including name): A Maltese, name and age unknown

Narrative description of incident: Upon arrival into Seattle, WA, ramp personnel noticed that one of two dogs traveling as companions had passed away during flight. Alaska Airlines personnel informed the owners who requested that Alaska Airlines transport the animal to their final destination of Kalispell, MT. The owner took the Maltese home for final disposition.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: One of two Maltese dogs traveling as companions passed away in flight. There is no evidence to suggest that the airline's handling contributed to the animal's death.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident: No corrective actions required; No photographs available of incident.

Incident 6 of 6:

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: AS23 (Chicago, IL (ORD) to Seattle, WA)
Date of incident: May 25, 2015
Time of incident: 7:30 AM CDT

Type of Incident: Death

Description of animal (including name): A 17 year old Domestic Short Hair cat named Percival

Narrative description of incident: Prior to being loaded on AS23 from Chicago, IL to Seattle, WA, ground service personnel reported that a 17 year old cat named Percival was non-responsive and appeared to be lifeless. Alaska Airlines management informed the owner prior to departure from Chicago who requested that the animal be transported to Seattle. At this point the owner reported that they had sedated the animal prior to departure and this was the first time the animal had ever been sedated for travel.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: Prior to loading in Chicago, IL ramp personnel reported that a 17 year old cat named Percival had passed away. There is no evidence to suggest that the airline's handling contributed to the animal's death.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident: No corrective actions required; No photographs available of incident.