



Air transport service - getting to hard-to-reach areas

Background

MAF has received a UK aid contribution to subsidise air transport services for the humanitarian community to assist in the response to Hurricane Matthew. This service is intended to increase aid and relief delivery to the most vulnerable populations in remote areas along the southern coast of Haiti. MAF is coordinating with the Logistics Cluster and also directly with various agencies for service delivery.

What's on offer?

Through its Haitian operation (MAF has been operating in Haiti for 30 years) MAF has 4 light aircraft available to assist in the aerial delivery of aid and relief supplies and personnel. The three useable airstrips that have been identified in the hardest hit region are Les Cayes, Jeremie and Dame Marie. Aircraft capacities are shown in the table below. Further details on MAF in Haiti can be found at www.mafhaiti.org

Who is it for?

Priorities are based on need – thus aid agencies large and small can use the service e.g. INGOs; National NGOs; IOs; UN; Government agencies; Charities and local organisations. Air asset resources are spread across a range of agencies and sectors. MAF will approve agency status for flights.

Flights will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis and forward bookings can be taken, though there will be no 'blocking out' or reserving of capacity for any one organisation. You can book up to two weeks in advance and provide intentions for future flight planning.

Only *authorised* representatives of agencies may book and flights will need to conform to the qualifying requirements detailed on the following page.

Rates and Capacities

There are seat rates (and excess baggage charges for luggage/freight in excess of 50lb per booked seat) and charter rates for cargo delivery. The rates table below details the charges:

	Subsidised Rates		
	Jeremie	Les Cayes	Dame Marie
Seat Rate	\$35	\$30	\$40
Excess baggage	\$0.29 / kg \$0.13 / lb	\$0.29 / kg \$0.13 / lb	\$0.29 / kg \$0.13 / lb
C206/7 Charter	\$ 212	\$ 172	\$ 229
Kodiak Charter	\$ 326	\$ 273	\$ 363
C208 Charter	\$ 431	\$ 377	\$ 498
C206/7 Capacity	380 - 448 kg 835 – 986 lb	396 - 465 kg 871 – 1,022 lb	371 - 440 kg 817 – 968 lb
Kodiak Capacity	659 kg 1,450 lb	682 kg 1,500 lb	636 kg 1,400 lb
C208 Capacity	1,102 kg 2,424 lb	1,102 kg 2,424 lb	1,079 kg 2,374 lb



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C206/7 seats*	5	5	5
Kodiak seats*	8	8	8
C208 seats*	9	9	9
Seats* Passenger numbers are limited to the aircraft weight capacity			

Qualifications for subsidy:

The MAF bookings staff will assess all requests to determine that they conform to the donor agreed criteria for the offer of subsidised flights. Specifically the criteria are as follows.

Only flights to the affected region qualify for subsidy. The three destination airstrips are Dame Marie, Les Cayes and Jeremie

The material being delivered will need to clearly fit within the broad categories of aid and relief such as; needs assessments; WASH; nutrition; health; shelter or other such alleviation of human suffering.

Passengers that are not directly employed by an approved agency, but travelling on behalf of an approved agency, may fly with authorization from the said agency.

Journalists may book, *IF* their purpose is related to the relief effort and is sponsored by an approved agency as per the qualifications described. Journalists must be booked by/through said agency. Priority will be handled according to humanitarian needs.

All agency flight requests will need to indicate in the affirmative that the aid and relief supplies or activities being provided are being freely given to all persons in need without regard to gender, age, disability, political or religious persuasion, ethnicity or race.

At the time of booking, a one-page form will need to be completed giving details of agency status; flight purpose; intended beneficiary/ies; and their location.

For non-qualifying flights, please contact the MAF bookings office for rates, charges and availability.

Contacts for Bookings:

MAF, Guy Malary Terminal, Toussaint Louverture Airport, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

Email addresses: flyhaiti@maf.org

Phone: 509-3791-9209 or 509-2941-9209

Arrangements for Payment:

Payment for usual customers can be on account as per normal.

For new customers, payment in cash, credit card or cheque will be accepted on the day of flight, before flight. Note: the credit card transaction fee will be added.

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