

3) When international transportation of passengers, baggage, or cargo is involved, the document which constitutes the transportation contract must indicate at least the places of departure and arrival, whether these places are in the Republic with a stop abroad, and a statement that the transportation is subject to the rules on liability established by the applicable Air Transport Convention indicated.

4) The flight ticket, the baggage check, and the waybill are *prima facie* evidence, unless there is proof to the contrary, of the conclusion and the conditions of the transportation contract. The lack, irregularity, or loss of these documents does not affect the existence or validity of the transportation contract.

Article 121. Visas.

In cases of international air transport, the carrier may not load passengers who do not prove that they are duly authorized to disembark at the place of destination and at the stops provided, when the country in which the stop is made requires a transit visa.

Article 122. Charter.

1) The charter is a transportation contract by which an operator, the lessor, for remuneration assigns to another person, known as the charterer, the use of all or part of an aircraft with crew, for one trip, a series of trips, or for a specified period of time.

2) The carrier is the contracting party so designated in the charter contract. In the absence of such designation, for purposes of the present Law, the operator or charterer shall be considered to be the carrier, whether or not his name appears on the transportation documents.

Article 123. Lease.

1) The leasing of an aircraft is a contract by which the operator binds himself to give another the enjoyment or use of an aircraft for one or more flights, or for a specified time and a certain price.

2) A Panamanian aircraft may not be leased for service abroad without advance permission from the General Bureau of Civil Aeronautics.

3) Panamanian aircraft may not be leased to aliens without advance permission from the General Bureau of Civil Aeronautics.

SECTION 3. TECHNICAL CONDITIONS FOR OPERATION OF PUBLIC AIR
TRANSPORT SERVICE

Article 124. Application.

1) The rules of the present Section shall be applicable to all Panamanian companies operating public air transport services.

2) Public air carriers must supply the services authorized in their certificates of operation in a safe, adequate, and effective manner, and for this purpose to have the aeronautical equipment and facilities required for these services.

Article 125. Maintenance of Aircraft.

Every operator must have an organization comprising specialized personnel, workshops, and other equipment and installations to maintain his aircraft in conditions of airworthiness.