

IPATS AIR TRANSPORTS Fixed Wing – Lear Jet 45



The Lear jet is a fixed wing plane provided by the Irish Air Corp. It is used by IPATS to transfer infants and children overseas. The plane must be reconfigured for air ambulance missions and the life port loaded onto the plane before patient arrival.

Patient transfer is via specialized ramp (see photo 3) from a standard Ferno trolley with the aerosled attached via the clip deck.

Patient is loaded feet first into the craft and lies with their head at the bulkhead of the plane

Aircraft	Lear Jet 45
Standard altitude, cabin pressure and atmospheric P.	51,000ft, Cabin pressure 2000- 8000ft. Atmos. P. 94.2-75.3kPa. Can be reduced to sea level
Standard patient base	Lifeport. Scan for more info
Patient bed	Aerosled mounted on clipdeck
Loading mechanism	Load ramp & ramp bay – patient loaded feet first
Fitting time	1-3 hours (if aircraft is at base)
Power considerations	Charging is not possible, just battery maintenance
Oxygen supplied	3000L ZX cylinder within life port
Suction supplied	No machine supplied. Port available on Lifeport
IPATS engineering equipment needed	Clip deck ratchet straps Spare Batteries
Special considerations	No access to head of patient ie to intubate



Pt. Unloading video



Alveolar Gas Calc.











Typical Travel times from Baldonnell Aerodrome

Newcastle Airport	Liverpool Airport	Biggin Hill	Northolt	Manchester Airport	Leeds Airport
35min	25min	50min	50min	25 min	35min
Airport to Freeman	Airport to Alder Hey	Airport to kings	Airport to GOSH	Airport to Manchester Children's	Airport to Leeds Children's
20 minutes	20 minutes	45 minutes	40 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes



IPATS AIR TRANSPORTS Pre-Departure Checklist



Equipment Checklist						Staff Checklist					
•	Aeromedical Red Bag	□ ·	Spare battery bag		_ ·	Passport emailed to NAC neoc.aeromedical@hse.ie					
•	Patient specific Airway bag	□.	Additional equipment (as nee	eded)] .	Mobile phones + charger					
•	Spare Massimo + batteries	\Box .	Sufficient Oxygen (calc compl	eted)	¬ .	Jackets/layers					
•	iSTAT machine/Cartridges	\Box .	Portable Suction + consumab	_	_ 	Food/Fluids					
•	Patient specific Drug/Fridge bag		IPATS folder + Documentation	_	_ ¬ .	Anti emetics (if required)					
•	Zoll monitor + relevant consumables	\Box .	Transwarmer (if temp reg cor	_] .	Retrieval cash funds (overseas only)					
•	Hamilton + Relevant consumables	□.	All equipment connected and charging from central power		·	AnnexF Form sent to					
•	Braun Pumps x3 + 1 Infusomat	•	O2 cylinder opened on trolley	/		neoc.aeromedical@hse.ie					
•	Appropriate ACRs	□ •	O2 hose plugged into ambula	nce _	`	IAC DESK: 1850 2118	69				
Patient Checklist											
•	Working Vascular Access x2 (IV/	10)	• Relevant	scheduled	d medica	tions given					
All balloon catheters filled with water Pt specific emergency me					ncy medi	cations drawn up					
•	Gastric contents emptied Age appropriate ear p					tion available					
•	 All pneumo- thorax/peritoneum/cephalus risks considered and mitigated where possible Sufficient blankets/layers All pressure areas reviewed 										
•	 CXR & labs reviewed Altitude associated complications identified and discussed with air crew – i.e. risk of desaturation, 										
Sedation/muscle relaxation considered presence of any air leaks, need for inc. cabin pressure											
			Communication Che	cklist							
•	Discharge Summary • Recent laboratory results			\Box .	Accepting unit contacted to confirm time/bed						
•	PEWS sheet for past 24hrs				NAC desk contacted to confirm ambulance						
desk				availability on arrival							
Parent/Guardian: Referring Consultant:		Recei	ving Consultant:								
Name: Name:		Name	:								
Number: Number:		Numb	per:	_							
Parent/Guardian:		F	Referring Ward:		Recei	Receiving Ward:					
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