

# Physician's Statement for Portable Oxygen Concentrator (POC) Use



Dear Treating Health Physician,

We kindly ask that you please complete and sign the form below for your patient who is requesting to use their Portable Oxygen Concentrator aboard a Hawaiian Airlines flight. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulation and the United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) require that their treating health physician verify the patient's medical need to use a Portable Oxygen Concentrator while traveling on commercial aircraft. *This form will need to be in the guest's possession and available for inspection on the day of travel.*

Mahalo!  
Hawaiian Airlines

## Guest Information:

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Hawaiian Airlines Confirmation Code: \_\_\_\_\_

## To be Completed and Signed by the Guest's Treating Health Physician

This letter verifies that \_\_\_\_\_ (*print guest's name*) requires the use of supplemental medical oxygen while traveling by air; which can be met through the use of their \_\_\_\_\_ (Brand/Model) portable oxygen concentrator (POC).

I further verify the following:

- I verify the guest's ability to travel and that he/she has the physical and cognitive ability to see, hear, and understand the device's audio and visual cautions and warnings; And is able, without assistance, to take the appropriate action in response to those cautions and warnings.
- I verify that the guest is traveling with a Safety Assistant who can respond to the device, *IF* the guest cannot respond to the device's audio and visual cautions and warnings to take the appropriate action in response to those cautions and warnings.
- I verify that the guest's use of their portable oxygen concentrator (POC) is medically necessary and will be required during the flight.
- I verify that the guest understands that the portable oxygen concentrator (POC) is the guest's responsibility and the airline is not responsible for providing batteries, on board power, any medical related equipment, and is not responsible for the physical condition of the device. The guest is capable of completing the flight safely without extraordinary medical assistance and has been advised by me to have ample charged batteries to power the portable oxygen concentrator (POC) for the length of the flight plus fifty percent (50%), to cover any unexpected delays, gate holds, diversions or cancellations.
- I have advised the guest that he/she must ensure that the device is free of oil, grease, or other petroleum products, and is in good condition and free of damage or other signs of excessive wear or abuse. Verification of appropriate maintenance of the device must be provided by the guest upon request.

Any change to the guest's health that would amend the criteria listed above will require that an updated Physician's Medical Verification Statement be completed.

## For ALL POCs - Please initial the appropriate statement(s) below:

- \_\_\_\_\_ The POC is medically necessary during ALL phases of the flight, including taxi and take-offs and landings.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ The POC is medically necessary intermittently during the flight, but **NOT** during taxi, take-off or landing.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ The oxygen flow rate setting for the POC is \_\_\_\_\_ liters per minute (LPM), considering the air pressure in the cabin under normal operating conditions.
- Circle one to indicate if this is a **Pulse** flow or **Continuous** flow.*

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| Physician's name [please print]: | State License or Registration Number: |
| Telephone number:                | Fax number:                           |
| Office address:                  |                                       |
| City:                            | State/Country:                        |
| Physician's signature:           | Date:                                 |