

**SARS**  
**Message for Air Flight Attendants**  
**(Inbound Flights From Affected Areas)**

May I have your attention please?

The following is an important health message from the Government of Canada regarding Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome or "SARS".

You can get SARS if you've had close contact with someone who has it already. The main symptom of SARS is fever. This may be accompanied by a dry cough, shortness of breath, chills, headache and an achy feeling all over, much like flu.

If you have any of these symptoms, let one of the flight attendants know right away. If you get any of these symptoms at home or while travelling, you should immediately get in touch with your physician or the local public health authority wherever you are.

While the chances of contracting SARS are relatively low, there are some simple things that can be done to help stop the spread of the disease such as washing your hands often.

You will be given two documents. The first document, which is yellow, is called the "**Health Alert Notice**". It describes the signs and symptoms of SARS. There are three questions on the form that you must answer. Circle your answers and bring the form to the customs officer when you land. The customs officer will check your completed form. If you've answered yes to any of the questions, a short evaluation inside the customs area will follow. Keep this form for reference later, or in case you need to visit a physician.

The second document is called the "**Traveller Contact Information**" form. It must be filled out carefully. The Government of Canada needs this information in case of a possible exposure to SARS. Remember, it is important to complete these forms. If you need help, please let us know. This information is requested under the authority of the *Federal Quarantine Act*, and will be collected from you when you get off the plane.

Although the forms are offered in English and French, we can provide you with step-by-step instructions in Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Hindi, Korean and Japanese.

The Government of Canada is doing everything it can to understand and prevent the spread of SARS. If you need more information on SARS you can visit the Health Canada SARS website listed on the yellow form or call the SARS information line at 1-800-465-8302.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

