



Airport Security Fees General Aviation

To ensure the security of air transport, air passengers need to undergo airport security checks in accordance with Section 5 of the Aviation Security Act (LuftSiG).

Such checks are carried out not only in commercial air transport but in general aviation as well, at Dortmund (EDLW), Münster/Osnabrück (EDDG) and Paderborn/ Lippstadt (EDLP) airports.

With a view to recovering the costs of such checks, air- port security fees, sometimes called aviation security charges, are levied under ss 1–3 of the relevant Statutory Instrument (LuftSiGV) of 23 May, 2007 and its Current Rates Annexe.

Under section 3 (2) of the LuftSiGV SI, the fees are owed by air transport operators and registered keepers of aircraft.

In general aviation, security fees will begin to be charged on 1 January, 2012.

The Government Office for the Münster Region – as the State authority having jurisdiction – has set down the following fees since 01/01/2020:

- **Dortmund Airport (EDLW): € 7,25 per Passenger**
- **Münster/Osnabrück Airport (EDDG): € 10,00 per Passenger**
- **Paderborn/Lippstadt Airport (EDLP): € 10,00 per Passenger**

Variations will be announced in the ‘Nachrichten für Luftfahrer’/NfL bulletin published by DFS, the German Air Traffic Services provider.

Under Section 2 of the Statutory Instrument covering aviation security charges (LuftSiGebV), carriers and registered keepers must pass on the number of air passengers to the authorities. This includes all individuals boarding the plane (except for the crew), i.e. all paying or non-paying passengers (except for infants under two years without their own ticket).

As from 1 January, 2012, commercial carriers and keepers of privately owned aircraft must therefore use the supplied declaration forms to report passenger numbers to the relevant aviation authority.

Carriers/registered keepers will have an Individual Notice of Charges (Gebührenbescheid), issued to them in German – the official language – only. The airport security fees must be remitted in full – and by the due date – to the account number given on the Notice.

Please state the reference number on the transfer slip. Bank deposit or transfer fees are the responsibility of the payer.

Staff at Directorate 26/Aviation Safety and Security (Dezernat 26/Luftsicherheit) will be happy to answer any queries that might arise. Please feel free to ring them.