



Swiss Confederation

Notification

This report contains short preliminary information about a serious incident, without pretension to completeness and without conclusions. An investigation is in progress by the Swiss Transportation Safety Investigation Board.

Place, date and time: English Channel (United Kingdom), 11. Juli 2023, 17:05 UTC

Aircraft

Registration Mark: HB-JHL
Type: Airbus S.A.S., A330-343
Operator: Swiss International Air Lines Ltd., Malzgasse 15, 4052 Basel
Owner: Swiss International Air Lines Ltd., Malzgasse 15, 4052 Basel

Flight crew: 2

Cabin crew: 10

Passengers: 233

Flight:

Flight rules: Instrument Flight Rules - IFR
Type of operation: Scheduled
Point of departure: Zürich Airport (LSZH)
Point of landing: New York - New Ark Intl. Airport (KEWR)

Damage:

Crew: None
Passengers: None
Thirds: None
Aircraft: None
Ground: None

Short description: During an inflight emergency due to a smell event of unknown nature, the cabin crew had to wear protective breathing equipment (PBE) as a precautionary measure. Some of the respirators were damaged after difficult removal from the vacuum packaging and could no longer fulfill their protective function.

Bern, 28. September 2023