

Abstract

Topical issues of the regulation of international air carriage

The object of this presented thesis is to inform readers about the phenomenon of the international air carriage. This rapidly growing transport industry is bringing attention mainly because of its thorough practical usability.

The first part of the thesis is dedicated to the specification of the basic concepts, these will be found in the rest of the thesis all through. To comprehend the actual topical issues it is essential for the reader to familiarize with the historical development of the air carriage. Especially in the 20th century the air carriage went through a swift progress that lead to a recent modern aerial transportation for long distances as we know these days.

The second part draws attention into the basic legal sources of the air carriage concentrating not only on the international and European level but also on the Czech laws. Transport customs are not omitted, neither is practice of the courts that has a growing importance.

Author of this paper engages in particular rights of the passengers in the air transportation and subsequent liability of the carrier in the third part of the thesis. Recently travelling through the air has become a very commonly used method of transport. From this reason it is necessary to point out that readers and potential passengers may face some problems when using the airplanes to travel. Situations that can arise are described in this chapter. Readers learn specifically about the passenger's claims in the case of delay or cancellation of passenger's flights and denied boarding, baggage lost, destruction or damage etc.

After reading this thesis the readers gain a comprehensive knowledge not only about the historical development of the international air carriage but mostly about their passenger's rights which is very useful for practical life. Dynamically growing air industry will develop in the upcoming years so more regulation is to be expected as well as passenger's rights improvement.