21 September 2018
Reference: F0003929

Dear [Name],

Thank you for your request of 19 September 2018, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Your request:

Is Ryanair’s new baggage policy legal and how to complaint against it; have you received any complaints against it and what actions have been taken?

Our response:

Having considered your request in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), we do not hold the information requested.

The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) ensures that UK civil aviation standards are set and achieved but has no jurisdiction over foreign operators such as Ryanair.

The International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) sets Standards and Recommended Practices for the conduct of international civil aviation and each Member State is required to ensure that the aircraft it operates internationally meet these standards.

The relevant regulatory authority for Ryanair is detailed below:

Irish Aviation Authority (IAA),
The Times Building
11-12 D'Olier Street
Dublin 2
+ 353 1 671 8655

https://www.iaa.ie/contacts

Ryanair are a member of our Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) which means if you have already lodged a complaint with them and are dissatisfied with their response you are able gain additional support with your complaint.
A link can be found on our website:

https://www.caa.co.uk/Our-work/About-us/Alternative-Dispute-Resolution/
https://www.caa.co.uk/Passengers/Resolving-travel-problems/How-the-CAA-can-help/Alternative-dispute-resolution/

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

Caroline Chalk
Head of External Information Services
Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House
Gatwick Airport South
Gatwick
RH6 0YR

caroline.chalk@caa.co.uk

The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with Freedom of Information requests. The key steps in this process are set in the attachment.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under Section 50 of the FOIA to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner’s Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF
https://ico.org.uk/concerns/

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at http://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=24.

Yours sincerely

Jade Fitzgerald
Information Rights Officer
CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;

- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;

- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;

- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;

- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;

- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.