

Incident 1

Carrier: Alaska Airlines
Flight: 19 (Orlando, FL to Seattle, WA)
Date of incident: Sunday, January 13, 2013
Time of incident: Approximately 9:38 P.M. PT

Description of animal (including name): A three-year-old, Male English bulldog, named Otis.

Narrative description of incident: Seattle ramp personnel reported to their manager that one of two dogs, traveling inside kennels, was unresponsive upon its arrival in Seattle, WA. The Alaska Airlines Manager on duty paged the customer and explained that her bulldog had passed during the flight. She immediately asked about her second dog, which was fine. The customer decided that she would continue on to her final destination of Fairbanks, AK with her other dog, but did not wish to transport her bulldog any further. The Alaska Airlines Manager on duty offered to personally take her bulldog's remains to the VCA Five Corners Animal Hospital in Burien, WA for cremation.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: An English bulldog inside its kennel passed away sometime during the flight. There is no evidence to suggest that the airline's handling contributed to the animal's passing.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident:
No corrective action was taken and no photographs were available.