

Premier's Circular

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TITLE

USE OF FULLY REGULATED REGIONAL REGULAR PUBLIC TRANSPORT AIR SERVICES

POLICY

The State Government requires departments, other public sector agencies and non-SES organisations to use subsidised regional Regular Public Transport (RPT) air services (where available) when travelling to regional and remote communities in Western Australia.

The fully regulated regional RPT air services include:

- Derby-Broome
- Inter-Regional Flight Network: Geraldton-Karratha-Port Hedland-Broome
- Kununurra-Halls Creek-Balgo
- Broome-Fitzroy Crossing-Halls Creek
- Kununurra-Kalumburu

Exemptions to this policy are permitted when it is inefficient to use the RPT air services due to the trip's purpose and when travel must be undertaken in an emergency.

BACKGROUND

The State Government is committed to supporting regional air services across the state to provide access to affordable and reliable air services for regional Western Australians.

Air services are essential to the social well-being and health needs of regional and remote communities.

There are four RPT air services within Western Australia that are subsidised by the State Government as they have insufficient passenger demand to operate on a fully commercial basis.

These RPT air services include Derby-Broome, the Inter Regional Flight Network which provides an air service between Geraldton-Karratha-Port Hedland-Broome, Kununurra-Halls Creek-Balgo and Broome-Fitzroy Crossing-Halls Creek.

Greater use of public air transport by departments, agencies and non-SES organisations supports the Government's objective of maintaining an adequate level of regular public transport air services to remote and regional towns.

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