2HOT2COLD

The FAA and the DOT have no operating requirements for cabin temperatures. As a result, in the summer, cabins can get too hot; in the winter, they can get too cold.

If it's too hot, crew and passengers can experience symptoms ranging from the mild (fatigue, dizziness) to moderate (heat exhaustion) to catastrophic (heat stroke).

If it's too cold, health effects range from cold stress to hypothermia.

Extreme temperatures also impact cabin operations, by degrading the crew's awareness of possible security threats, increasing stress that can lead to air rage, medical emergencies, a return to the gate, and other operational disruptions.

Flight Attendants face these extreme conditions all too often.

To make change, we need data to persuade regulators and legislators to establish airplane temperature standards. We define the problem with reports to get it fixed. Read AFA's petition to DOT to establish temperature standards.

Download the iPhone/iPad or Android version of the 2Hot2Cold app, install it on your device, and submit reports on extreme temperature incidents you experience onboard flights.

In addition, come back often and check the links on afacwa.org/2hot2cold for the latest 2Hot2Cold news, updates on temperature events reported by the 2Hot2Cold community, as well as ways to inform the government and industry of your dissatisfaction.

Working together, we will end the scourge of 2HotCold in air travel!

Thermometers are available.

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