

February 19, 2025

To: Executive Board

Branch Secretary or Stewards

Flight and Hotel Bookings

Flights:

CATCA has partnered with Maritime Travel to handle all flight bookings for travel to the 2025 Convention in St. John's, NL. We have secured discounts for each airline being used to book flights to Convention – Air Canada, WestJet and Porter. In order to book your flights, follow this link (Convention Flight Bookings) and fill out the form. Members will receive confirmation of their flight booking directly.

Important information to remember when booking your flights:

- 1. Air Canada Flex Fares, or the equivalent fare type with WestJet and Porter Airlines, will be used:
 - a. WestJet Econo Flex
 - b. Porter Flexible
- 2. Purchases will be based on flights from your home location to St. John's, NL and return (the "Regular Flex Type Fare"). Members will have some latitude regarding their bookings, such as, flying from a different point of origin or returning to a different destination, or booking a higher class of fare. Any increase to the cost of a booking due to personal choices versus the Regular Flex Type Fare, will be borne by the member. In this instance, the lowest available flex type fare will be used to calculate the difference, and the member will be responsible for reimbursement of any extra costs to CATCA.
- 3. Members are responsible for finding the lowest available "Flex" type airfare, but other factors will be considered in the approval of the preferred selected flights if the cost is higher: Trip duration, time of departure and arrival, number of connections and acceptable alternative flights will be considered.
- 4. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate your preferred flight choice, but they cannot be guaranteed.

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- 5. If you have already submitted your online Convention registration with your preferred flight choices, CATCA National Office will submit those directly to Maritime Travel for you. Maritime may contact you to confirm your information is accurate such as name as it appears on your travel documents and date of birth.
- 6. If you have any questions or issues, email convention@catca.ca.

Booking Extra Nights in St. John's, NL – Delta Hotel

Contracted Convention rates for hotel stays have been secured for 3 days prior to convention until 3 days after Convention (nights of May 29, 30, 31 and June 5, 6, 7) for anyone that would like to arrive early or stay late to enjoy Newfoundland sights and hospitality.

Room rates are:

- 1. Delta Room (City View) \$243/nt plus 4% Tourism Levy and 15% HST
- 2. Premier Room (Harbour View) \$263/nt plus 4% Tourism Levy and 15% HST

If you are planning to arrive early or stay late, and would like to take advantage of these rates at the Delta Hotel St. John's, please contact Kim Finlay directly at kim.finlay@whg.com to make your booking with the hotel.

Members that choose to arrive early or stay late will receive their own confirmation number for the stay. These bookings will be linked to the reservations made by CATCA for Convention so that you do not have to change rooms. You will receive a different reservation confirmation number from CATCA National Office for your stay during Convention.

Updated Per Diem Rates

Per Diem rates communicated in the January 24, 2025 have been updated to align with changes made to the NCJC rates. Supper is now \$60 and the total daily rate including incidentals is \$130, or \$105 per day without incidentals.

In solidarity,

Scott Loder
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