

# Airlines face nut crackdown after allergy tragedy

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Airlines face a crackdown on the sale of nuts on flights in the wake of the death a 15-year-old girl who collapsed on a British Airways plane.

The Department of Transport has warned that passengers with nut allergies face 'potentially life-threatening challenges' due to a 'lack of clarity and consistency' in airline policies.

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The Civil Aviation Authority is expected to publish a report later this week outlining the evidence of dangers posed by nut allergens on airlines.

Findings from the report will be used to identify potential measures needed to protect passengers, the DFT said.

Any guidelines will form part of the DFT's Passenger's Charter, which aims to drive up standards for flyers.

But Airlines UK said a ban on nuts would be 'extremely difficult to enforce' and risked 'passenger confusion'.



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