

Press Communication

FRENCH BEE SIMPLIFIES PASSENGER TRANSIT THROUGH SAN FRANCISCO

Paris-Orly, August 30, 2019 - **French bee**, France's leading low-cost long-haul airline has announced a simplified transit process for passengers at San Francisco. Passengers traveling between Paris and Tahiti will no longer need to claim any checked baggage during their stopover at San Francisco International Airport and can now check baggage in until their final destination.

Committed to supporting passengers throughout their journey, **French bee** has simplified transit through San Francisco in a 4-step route clearly signposted by the company:

-  **Step 1:** As soon as they disembark, **French bee** passengers will receive an orange transit card. In order to reassure passengers who are unfamiliar with the San Francisco stopover, **French bee** ground staff will be present throughout the transit journey and guide passengers with orange transit cards.
-  **Step 2:** All passengers must present themselves to a CBP (US Customs and Border Protection) officer and must present their passport and an ESTA travel authorization, which is to be obtained at least 72 hours before departure (unless the passenger already holds a valid US visa).
-  **Step 3:** Passengers will follow 'Connecting Flights' signs and proceed to the Departure Level. Signs for **French bee** have been put in place along the transit route.
-  **Step 4:** Passengers then proceed to the TSA Security (screening) checkpoint and access their gate.

Please note that passengers will not have access to their checked baggage during the stopover in San Francisco.

Muriel Assouline, managing director of French bee, commented: *"French bee opened its service between Paris-Orly and Tahiti with a stopover in San Francisco in May 2018. Throughout the first year of service, we have demonstrated our seriousness to the American authorities. It is thanks to our rigour, but also to the significant support from the CBP teams, whom we would like to warmly thank, that we have obtained the authorization allowing us to offer our passengers a simplified transit. We are committed to providing the best travel experience possible for our customers."*

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About French bee

France's leading low-cost and long-haul airline, French bee (formerly French blue) is a subsidiary of the Dubreuil Group. Since June 2017, the company has offered daily flights between Paris-Orly 4 and Reunion. From 11th May 2018, French bee became the world's first airline to offer a North American route from San Francisco International Airport (SFO) to Fa'a'a International Airport (PPT) in Papeete on the island of Tahiti, and from SFO to Paris-Orly (ORY) in France at a rate of 2 to 3 flights per week. French bee operates a fleet of 3 Airbus A350 aircraft under the French flag. www.frenchbee.com



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