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### **2008 Excise Taxes on Air Transportation**

WASHINGTON ~ Today the Internal Revenue Service announced the 2008 inflation adjustments to the excise taxes on air transportation.

Excise taxes apply to the domestic segments of taxable air transportation and to the use of international air facilities. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, signed into law on Dec. 26, 2007, extends these excise taxes to air transportation that begins or is paid for no later than Feb. 29, 2008.

These excise taxes are adjusted annually for inflation. For 2008, the excise tax on the domestic segment of taxable air transportation is \$3.50. The excise tax for 2008 for international flights that begin or end in the United States is \$15.40. The tax on use of international air facilities also applies at a reduced rate to departures of interstate flights that begin or end in Alaska or Hawaii. For 2008, the international air facilities tax on these flights is \$7.70.

Revenue Procedure 2007-66 <<http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/rp-07-66.pdf>> , which contains other amounts that are adjusted annually for inflation, will be modified in the near future to include the 2008 inflation adjusted items listed above.