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LIABILITY POLICY FOR SPACE TOURISTS: HOW WILL THE REGULATION BE FOLLOWED, ACCORDING TO THE ASTRONAUTS LIABILITY REGULATIONS AND THE AIR PASSENGER REGULATIONS, IF THEY AREN'T COMPATIBLE WITH EACH OTHER.

## Abstract

Space tourism is a fact. Beginning in 2017 space travel for common (by common I mean wealthy) people will start with companies such as Virgin Galactic that started development of "spaceships". The emerging problem with this development is the regulation that will reign over the fate of the tourists that will go to space with these companies. The problem that emerging is the contradiction existing between the Astronauts liability regulations and those existing for the airline passenger, and how will there be, if any, compromises between them to generate a regulation for the passengers in these new "spaceships". By extensive research and analysis of the existing regulations, the essay will find some compromises that can happen in order to create a new regulation, using certain aspects of each of these regulations that can assure the space tourist and the private companies alike. The essay analyses the existing regulations, and attempts to select certain rules that can apply for both areas, and finally recommends different approaches to create the new space tourist regulations.