

Discovery of contraband or large sums of money

Contraband is any item that is illegal to possess, such as illegal drugs, martial arts weapons and switchblade knives.

If contraband items are discovered in carry-on or checked baggage during security screening, CATSA will document the items, notify local police and collaborate with police investigations.

Passengers entering or leaving Canada and carrying \$10,000 or more (or the equivalent in a foreign currency) are legally required to notify Canadian border authorities. CATSA does not have a specific mandate to screen for undeclared amounts of money. However, if cash worth \$10,000 or more is discovered in carry-on or checked baggage during screening, and the passenger is not flying domestically, it is CATSA's policy to notify police or the Canada Border Services Agency.

