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A law has been published in Rwanda requiring every tour operator to have a valid subscription, for every client, to an emergency evacuation scheme involving, among others helicopter rescue and evacuation.

After meetings between the Rwanda Development Board, Rwanda's Tourism body, and the Rwanda Tour and Travel Association, Akagera Aviation in Rwanda has been identified as the best provider of this service due to their local presence, their established record and the type of aircraft they have in place in Rwanda around the clock. The hospital that all clients will be evacuated to in the first instance will be King Faisal Hospital in Kigali, again, because it is the best available in country. RDB and RTTA have advised us that this subscription will ensure compliance with the new law.

Akagera Aviation's helicopters are equipped and staffed for medical evacuations and can get to any part of the country within 35 minutes. They are limited to daylight evacuations, but have a partnership with the national Emergency Medical Service, SAMU, for night time or bad weather evacuations.

The evacuation insurance purchased from Akagera Aviation complements clients' existing cover in that it provides a cheap, effective onsite solution in case there is a medical emergency involving clients.

The subscription fee for 2017 is US\$15 per client, and in 2018, it is expected to rise to US\$20 per client. Classic Africa Safaris will pass this fee on to our agents at cost, automatically adding it to all new quotes going forward.

Classic Africa Safaris Team.