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Jet Set With Hassle-Free Style

(NAPSA)—Today's traveler may have more "baggage" than expected—namely in the form of information to consider before heading to the airport.

For example, does your airline have a maximum weight allowance for luggage? If you're not sure, a single phone call could save you a lot of hassle at check-in time. Delta, for instance, only allows passengers to check two bags for domestic flights, weighing no more than 50 pounds each. If your luggage weighs between 50 and 100 pounds you will be charged an excess bag fee. Any luggage weighing over 100 pounds will not be permitted.

In addition, heightened security measures at airports around the world mean that your luggage may go through a more rigorous inspection. Bags are often subject to more poking and prodding—particularly if they've got numerous pockets and compartments. So luggage needs to be more durable to stand up to the scrutiny it receives before it goes on the plane.

As such, it may be time—especially if your bags are starting to look a bit bruised and battered—to invest in a new set that will serve you well for many travel seasons to come. A recent national survey conducted by Decision Analyst, Inc. found that consumers want variety and choice in luggage fabrics along with the assurance of quality and durability. Eighty-seven percent of respondents cited durability of fabric as important and 90 percent are willing to pay more for more durable luggage.

Fortunately, there's Cordura®, a high style fabric with high-per-



A tough travel companion. With luggage made with Cordura® like the Samsonite® Carbon Upright®, you can rest assured that your bag will make it to its final destination in great shape.

formance benefits. These durable fabrics from DuPont Textiles & Interiors (DTI) are tested and certified to be resistant to abrasions, tears and scuffs, helping travelers keep their luggage looking newer and lasting longer.

Cordura® sets a new industry standard—ounce for ounce, the new fabrics are two times more durable than standard nylon and three times more durable than standard polyester. The fabrics are part of an expanded line, which includes new looks and aesthetics, in a variety of shiny, slick and matte textures as well as a full range of colors.

To learn more about fabrics for luggage, visit the Web site at www.cordura.com.