



Ryanair is introducing a 25 pence levy per passenger for bookings made from next Tuesday (January 17) to cover the costs of the EU's new Emissions Trading Scheme.

Calling it the EU's "eco-looney ETS tax", Ryanair said the tax will cost Ryanair passengers â–15 million to â–20 million during 2012.

Ryanair communications chief Stephen McNamara said: "Ryanair does not believe that European aviation should be included in the ETS scheme since it accounts for less than 2% of the EU's CO2 emissions.

"This latest EU stealth tax will damage traffic, tourism, European competitiveness and jobs at a time when no other economic block is including aviation in their ETS schemes."

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