

LAKELAND LINDER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN | TARMAC DELAY CONTINGENCY PLAN

Lakeland Linder International Airport (LAL) has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan should be directed to the Airport Director at <u>lakelandairport@lakelandgov.net</u>. LAL is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation (DOT) because (1) it's a commercial airport and (2) LAL may be used by an air carrier described in 49 U.S.C. §42301(a)(1) for diversions.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays, and to the extent practicable, LAL will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers; and
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs & Border Protection (CBP).

LAL's facility constraints limit the airport's ability to accommodate diverted flights or maintain the airport's safe operation when experiencing extended delays. The airport strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact the Airport Operations Department at 863-834-4911 to coordinate diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. Facility constraints include available ramp space, boarding stairs, and holding areas.

AIRPORT INFORMATION

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| Airport Category: | Non-Hub Reliever U.S. Airport |

CONTACT INFORMATION

In the event of a diversion or other irregular operations (IROPS) event, aircraft operators should contact the Airport Operations Department at 863-834-4911 or <u>airportoperations@lakelandgov.net</u>.

PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPLANEMENT OF PASSENGERS FOLLOWING EXCESSIVE TARMAC DELAYS

LAL does not own or operate any of the equipment needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft and is, therefore, unable on its own to provide for the deplanement of passengers. Additionally, airport personnel are not trained to assist in the deplanement of passengers using equipment owned or operated by air carriers or contract service providers. We will provide a list of airlines, ground handlers,



fixed base operators, and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE SHARING OF FACILITIES AND MAKE GATES AVAILABLE IN AN EMERGENCY

Gates at LAL are operated under both preferential and common use agreement(s). Airport Staff would direct our air carrier tenant(s) to make gates and other facilities available, to the maximum extent practicable, when another air carrier is seeking to deplane at a gate. If an unscheduled aircraft arrives, the Airport Operations Department will assign them to a gate or remote parking position.

PLAN TO PROVIDE A STERILE AREA FOR PASSENGERS WHO HAVE NOT CLEARED UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

LAL does not have international passenger processing facilities for aircraft carrying more than 20 passengers. We will coordinate with local CBP and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. Once these efforts are complete, we will coordinate with local CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into these sterile areas, to the extent practicable.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE TARMAC DELAY CONTINGENCY PLAN

LAL will provide access to its Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan by posting it on the airport's website https://www.flylakeland.com.