

**APPROVED DISPENSATIONS****INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 07/08/2018 – 11/09/2018****DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VYL  
Operator: Qantas Airways  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas Airways flight QF548 (Sydney to Brisbane) had boarded the aircraft however departure was delayed due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and Air Traffic Control placed a hold on outgoing aircraft. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:55pm. There were 168 passengers and seven crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:47pm.

**Approved: Yes**

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VZD  
Operator: Qantas Airways  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas Airways flight QF868 (Sydney to Gold Coast) had boarded the aircraft however departure was delayed due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and Air Traffic Control placed a hold on outgoing aircraft. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:30pm. There were 168 passengers and seven crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:28pm. The aircraft subsequently landed in Brisbane as the Gold Coast Airport also has a curfew.

**Approved: Yes**

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VZE  
Operator: Qantas Airways  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas Airways flight QF491 (Sydney to Melbourne) departure was delayed due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and Air Traffic Control placed a hold on outgoing aircraft. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:55pm. There were 157 passengers and seven crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:50pm.

**Approved:** Yes

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VOT  
Operator: Virgin Australia  
Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Virgin Australia flight VA859 (Melbourne to Sydney) was diverted to Canberra due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and placed incoming aircraft on lengthy holding patterns. Unforeseen mechanical issues further delayed the departure from Canberra. A dispensation was approved to land no later than 11:45pm. There were 161 passengers and six crew members on board. The aircraft landed at 11:38pm.

**Approved:** Yes

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VUG  
Operator: Virgin Australia  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Virgin Australia flight VA989 (Sydney to Brisbane) had boarded the aircraft however departure was delayed due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and Air Traffic Control placed a hold on outgoing aircraft. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:25pm. There were 176 passengers and six crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:23pm.

**Approved:** Yes

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: A350-900  
Registration: B-18917  
Operator: China Airlines  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** China Airlines flight CI52 (Sydney to Taipei) encountered lengthy delays due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and Air Traffic Control placed a hold on incoming and outgoing aircraft. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:30pm. There were 289 passengers and 15 crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:24pm.

**Approved:** Yes

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday, 7 September 2018  
Aircraft: A380  
Registration: A6-APH  
Operator: Etihad Airways  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Etihad Airways flight (EY455) was delayed by the multiple lightning strikes in Sydney, which closed the tarmac and Air Traffic Control placed holds on incoming and outgoing aircraft. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:20pm. There were 382 passengers and 25 crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:17pm.

**Approved:** Yes

**Reasons for Approval:** The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

**DISPENSATION REQUESTS REFUSED**

**INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 07/08/2018 – 11/09/2018**

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Date: Saturday, 18 August 2018  
Aircraft: B777-300ER  
Registration: B-KQA  
Operator: Cathay Pacific Airways  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Cathay Pacific Airways flight CX138 (Sydney to Hong Kong) was delayed on the previous sector due to the detection of a flight control system failure in Hong Kong. A dispensation was requested to depart Sydney Airport during the curfew, however this was refused.

**Approved: No**

**Reasons for not granting Dispensation:** The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed.

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Sunday, 19 August 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VOY  
Operator: Tigerair Australia  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Tigerair Australia flight TT287 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed arriving into Sydney on the previous sector due to thunderstorms causing single runway operations in Sydney. A dispensation was requested to depart Sydney Airport during the curfew, however this was refused. There were 186 passengers and six crew members on board.

**Approved: No**

**Reasons for not granting Dispensation:** The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed.

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Sunday, 19 August 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-YFU  
Operator: Virgin Australia  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Virgin Australia flight VA997 (Sydney to Brisbane) was delayed arriving into Sydney on the previous sector due to thunderstorms causing single runway operations in Sydney. A dispensation was requested to depart Sydney Airport during the curfew, however this was refused. There were 172 passengers and six crew members on board.

**Approved:** No

**Reasons for not granting Dispensation:** The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed.

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Sunday, 19 August 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: VH-VYI  
Operator: Qantas Airways  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas Airways flight QF497 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed arriving into Sydney on the previous sector due to thunderstorms causing single runway operations in Sydney. A dispensation was requested to depart Sydney Airport during the curfew, however this was refused. There were 173 Passengers and six crew members on board.

**Approved:** No

**Reasons for not granting Dispensation:** The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed.

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Wednesday, 22 August 2018  
Aircraft: B737-800  
Registration: ZK-TLK  
Operator: Toll Priority  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Toll priority flight TFR22 (Sydney to Melbourne) had finished loading urgent medical supplies when the door jammed on locking. Engineers were able to fix the issue and a dispensation was granted to depart no later than 11:40pm. Another engineering issue occurred before departure and the aircraft returned to bay. A subsequent dispensation was sought for departure after 1am and this was refused.

**Approved:** No

**Reasons for not granting Dispensation:** The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed.

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Saturday, 1 September 2018  
Aircraft: A330  
Registration: B-8870  
Operator: China Southern Airlines  
Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** China Southern Airlines flight CZ302 (Sydney to Guangzhou) was delayed on the previous sector due to poor weather in Guangzhou and enroute to Sydney. A dispensation was requested to depart Sydney during the curfew, however this was refused. There were 280 passengers on board.

**Approved:** No

**Reasons for not granting Dispensation:** The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed.

**DISPENSATION REPORT – OTHER CURFEW AIRPORTS #10/18**

**ADELAIDE AIRPORT: 07/08/2018 – 11/09/2018**

**Applications approved**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Carrier</b>	<b>Aircraft Type</b>	<b>Movement</b>	<b>Summary of events</b>
11/08/2018	Qatar Airways	A350-900	Departure	Qatar Airways flight QR915 (Adelaide to Doha) was delayed due to repairs on the aircraft from lightning strikes on the previous sector were hampered by high winds and rain. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:45pm. There were 222 passengers and 17 crew members on board. The aircraft departed at 11:31pm.
06/09/2018	Qatar Airways	A350-900	Departure	Qatar Airways flight QR915 (Adelaide to Doha) encountered a hydraulic leak in the right wing. A dispensation was approved to depart no later than 11:30pm. Passengers were boarded and a subsequent issue with toilets was discovered. An dispensation extension was approved to depart no later than 11:50pm. There were 240 passengers and 17 crew on board. The aircraft departed at 11:43pm.
07/09/2018	Qantas Airways	B737-800	Arrival	Qantas Airways flight QF665 (Brisbane to Adelaide) was delayed on the previous sector due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney closing the Airport. A dispensation was approved to land no later than 11:30pm. There were 141 passengers and seven crew members on board. The aircraft landed at 11:23pm.
07/09/2018	Qantas Airways	B737-800	Arrival	Qantas Airways flight QF783 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed due to multiple lightning strikes in Sydney closing the Airport. A dispensation was approved to land no later than 11:50pm. There were 167 passengers and seven crew members on board. The aircraft landed at 11:45pm.

**Applications Refused**

No applications were refused

**GOLD COAST AIRPORT: 07/08/2018 – 11/09/2018**

No applications

**ESSENDON FIELDS AIRPORT: 07/08/2018 – 11/09/2018**

No applications