

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 13/02/2023– 5/03/2023

SYDNEY AIRPORT

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday 17 February 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YFH

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Virgin Australia flight VA562 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to technical issues, requiring additional fuel in Perth. In addition, crew were required to offload 10 passengers. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. VA562 had 165 passengers including 1 wheelchair passenger, 2 infants and 4 crew members on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:03 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Saturday 18 February 2023

Aircraft: A380

Registration: A7-APJ

Operator: Qatar Airways

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qatar Airways flight QR909 (Sydney to Doha) was forced to divert to Melbourne owing to weather conditions, delaying departure out of Sydney. In addition, there was congestion in the aerobridge. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 00:30 local time. QR909 had 491 passengers including 9 infants, 28 wheelchair passengers, 50 children and 29 crew members on-board. The aircraft departed at 00:30 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Saturday 18 February 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-XZK

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas flight QF149 (Sydney to Auckland) was delayed departing Sydney due to delays in the flight crew gaining access to the aircraft, owing to the large number of disrupted flights at Sydney Airport. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 23:45 local time. QF149 had 160 passengers and 8 crew members on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:40 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Sunday 19 February 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: B-LXB

Operator: Cathay Pacific

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Cathay Pacific flight CX138 (Sydney to Hong Kong) was delayed departing Sydney due to an ill passenger that was disembarked, accompanied by their parents. Their baggage was required to be offloaded, further delaying departure. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 23:15 local time. CX138 had 176 passengers including 1 infant, 3 wheelchair passengers and 15 crew members on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:10 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Tuesday 21 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-OFQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ40 (Denpasar to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to engineering issues associated with flight specifications requiring recalculations, delaying the departure from Denpasar. Whilst this was being rectified by engineers, two passengers decided to offload themselves from the flight which meant that baggage also required offloading resulting in further delays. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. JQ40 had 225 passengers including 3 infants, 2 wheelchair passengers and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:39 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Tuesday 21 February 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: B-LXP

Operator: Cathay Pacific

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Cathay Pacific flight CX138 (Sydney to Hong Kong) was delayed departing at Sydney Airport due to the ground support equipment used by cleaners breaking down, which delayed boarding. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:45 local time. CX138 had 188 passengers including 6 children, 4 wheelchair passengers and 11 crew on-board as well as perishable cargo. The aircraft departed at 23:43 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Wednesday 22 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGU

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ769 (Adelaide to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a passenger voluntarily requesting to offload, delaying departure. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:35 local time. JQ769 had 163 passengers including 4 infants, 5 children, 1 wheelchair passenger and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:32 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Thursday 23 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-YXV

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ612 (Avalon to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to the aircraft requiring engineering attention that delayed departure. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. JQ612 had 154 passengers including 1 infant, 2 children, 2 wheelchair passengers and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:55 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Thursday 23 February 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: VH-EBR

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas flight QF499 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing at Sydney Airport due to a landing gear oleo strut hydraulic leak which was found, requiring approximately 3 hours to rectify. An aircraft change was required and the only replacement aircraft was repositioned from the International Terminal. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. QF499 had 275 passengers including 1 wheelchair passenger and 10 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:47 local time.

**Approved: Yes**

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday 24 February 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YFS

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Virgin Australia flight VA562 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving into Sydney due to an engineering issue in Perth. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:50 local time. VA562 had 176 passengers including 2 wheelchair passengers, 1 infant and 6 crew members on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:25 local time.

**Approved: Yes**

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday 24 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VWN

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ536 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving into Sydney due to an engineering issue, requiring rectification from engineers prior to departure. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ536 had 224 passengers including 4 children and 8 crew members on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:28 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday 24 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQM

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ612 (Avalon to Sydney) was delayed arriving into Sydney due to an engineering issue on-board with the navigation system. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. JQ612 had 170 passengers including 1 wheelchair passenger and 6 crew members on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:07 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Thursday 2 March 2023

Aircraft: B737/A321

Registration: VH-XMB, VH-XML, VH-XMO, VH-XMR, VH-XNH, VH-ULD, VH-ULW, VH-ULY, VH-VLI, VH-ONU, VH-YNU, ZK-TLF, ZK-TLM, ZK-AWA, ZK-FXL, ZK-FXM, ZK-FXK, ZK-FXJ.

Operator: Qantas Airways

Operation: Arrival and Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** The continued pressure on the movement of urgent freight, led to a further request by Qantas Airlines to operate Boeing 737 (B737) and Airbus A321 aircraft for freight only purposes during the curfew period at Sydney Airport. A dispensation was granted for these aircraft to be operated for the 27 total movements already allocated to Qantas per week during curfew hours at Sydney Airport from 02 March 2023 to 25 March 2023.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Sunday 5 March 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXH

Operator: Qantas Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qantas flight QF498 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to an unexpected delay during taxi as directed by Air Traffic Control. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:10 local time. QF498 had 76 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:07 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Monday 6 March 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: 9V-SHE

Operator: Singapore Airlines

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Singapore Airlines flight SQ242 (Sydney to Singapore) was delayed departing at Sydney Airport due to a rudder defect requiring engineering attention. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 00:30 local time due to the high number of sensitive passengers on board. SQ242 had 260 passengers including 30 wheelchair passengers, 10 infants, 20 children, 50 elderly passengers, 10 who required mobility assistance, 5 passengers with hidden disabilities and 14 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 00:21 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **REFUSED DISPENSATIONS**

**INDIVIDUAL REFUSED DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 28/11/2022 – 05/02/2023**

**There were no refused dispensations for Sydney Airport during this period.**



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Date: Wednesday 15 February 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: A7-BEM

Operator: Qatar Airways

Operation: Departure

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Qatar Airways flight QR915 (Adelaide to Doha) was delayed departing Adelaide Airport due to a delay in the previous sector (Auckland to Adelaide) owing to a baggage belt failure. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 23:30 local time. QR915 had 317 passengers including 3 infants, 14 wheelchair passengers and 11 crew members on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:12 local time.

**Approved: Yes**

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

**DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday 17 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGZ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ975 (Perth to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to an engineering issue on-board. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. JQ975 had 175 passengers including 1 child, 2 infants and 6 crew members on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:11 local time.

**Approved: Yes**

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Thursday 23 February 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQM

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ680 (Hobart to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to an aircraft swap. The aircraft was fully boarded on the preceding leg (ADL-HBA) but was determined to be unserviceable due to corrosion on the thrust reverser of the engine. The required aircraft swap delayed departure. Further delay was caused on departure from Hobart due to a piece of foreign object debris being identified and needed clarification from the engineers as to if it was from the new aircraft. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 01:15 local time. JQ680 had 172 passengers including 6 infants, 6 children, 2 wheelchair passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 01:09 local time.

**Approved: Yes**

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Friday 3 March 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGT

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Jetstar flight JQ766 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to the preceding sector being delayed when a passenger belatedly indicated that they were not comfortable being seated in an exit row. The subsequent rearrangement of passengers took some time to resolve. Additionally, on turnaround in Sydney, the aircraft required engineering attention for a low oil level alert. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. JQ766 had 159 passengers including 2 infants, 1 child, 1 wheelchair passenger and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 22:56 local time.

**Approved: Yes**

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

## **DETAILS OF DISPENSATION**

Date: Sunday 5 March 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YQH

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

**Circumstances Leading to Request:** Virgin Australia flight VA583 (Canberra to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to the preceding sector flight from Adelaide experiencing a delayed departure due to lightning, which caused widespread power outages at Adelaide Airport and significant disruption. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. VA583 had 145 passengers including 2 wheelchair passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:35 local time.

**Approved:** Yes

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

## **GOLD COAST AIRPORT**

**There were no approved dispensations for Gold Coast Airport during this period.**

## **ESSENDON FIELDS AIRPORT**

**There were no approved dispensations for Essendon Fields Airport during this period**

**REFUSED DISPENSATIONS**

**INDIVIDUAL REFUSED DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 13/02/2023– 5/03/2023**

**ADELAIDE AIRPORT**

**There were no refused dispensations for Adelaide Airport during this period.**

**GOLD COAST AIRPORT**

**There were no refused dispensations for Gold Coast Airport during this period.**

**ESSENDON FIELDS AIRPORT**

**There were no refused dispensations for Essendon Fields Airport during this period.**