



Air Services (Use of Simultaneous Opposite Direction Parallel Runway Operations at Brisbane Airport) Direction 2024

I, Catherine King, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, make the following direction.

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Air Services (Use of Simultaneous Opposite Direction Parallel Runway Operations at Brisbane Airport) Direction 2024*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences immediately after the Minister gives the instrument to AA.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 16(1) of the Act.

4 Definitions

Note: The expression *AA* is used in this instrument and is defined in section 3 of the Act.

In this instrument:

Act means the *Air Services Act 1995*.

implementation date means the date that applies for the purposes of subsection 5(2).

SODPROPS means Simultaneous Opposite Direction Parallel Runway Operations.

5 Direction

- (1) AA must, for Brisbane Airport:
 - (a) develop and implement an Air Traffic Control Operating Plan to extend the use of SODPROPS, with a focus on extending the use of SODPROPS on weekday evenings, Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings to the extent that operating conditions permit; and
 - (b) examine and report to the Minister on the costs, benefits and operational impacts of extending the use of SODPROPS, including where provision is made for moderate flight delays to maintain the use of that mode when traffic demand approaches the maximum capacity for SODPROPS; and
 - (c) informed by the report prepared for paragraph (b):
 - (i) review the day time operational plan for the use of SODPROPS; and
 - (ii) to the extent that operating conditions permit, implement any feasible and appropriate design enhancements identified by AA into the Air Traffic Control Operating Plan that increases the use of this mode during daytime hours.

Note: AA, in exercising its powers and performing its functions, must regard the safety of air navigation as the most important consideration (subsection 9(1) of the Act).

- (2) Paragraphs (1)(a), (b) and (c) must be implemented by 30 November 2024, or by a later date allowed by the Minister in writing.

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- (3) Until the implementation date, AA must provide quarterly reports to the Minister about the work undertaken by AA in the previous quarter to implement subsection (1), including for each paragraph of subsection (1):
- (a) the progress made by AA towards implementation;
 - (b) any delays or anticipated delays to implementation, including with respect to meeting the implementation date; and
 - (c) risks associated with any delays or anticipated delays identified in paragraph (b), and mitigation measures that will be adopted by AA to address those risks.
- (4) After the implementation date, AA must publish monthly reports on its website detailing SODPROPS utilisation rates at Brisbane Airport over the previous month, including information about operating conditions and any other matters that prevented the use of SODPROPS.

6 End date

This instrument ceases to apply 3 years after the implementation date.