DISPENSATION REPORT – SYDNEY AIRPORT #18/23

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 13/11/2023 – 26/11/2023

SYDNEY AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 13 November 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: 9M-MUD

Operator: Malaysia Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Malaysia Airlines flight MH6204 (Sydney to Kuala Lumpur) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to an engineering problem with main deck roller lock platform. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:30 local time. MH6204 was a cargo flight with 2 crew on-board and 124 cattle that could not be alternatively accommodated. The aircraft departed 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: 20 November 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQK

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ534 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to 2 failure to board passengers requiring luggage removal. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. JQ534 had 161 passengers including 3 children and 1 wheelchair user, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:01 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: 20 November 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFY

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ427 (Gold Coast to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to delay in loading of passenger's pram. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. JQ427 had 217 passengers including 13 children, 3 infants, 1 wheelchair user, and 8 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 24 November 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YVC

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA891 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to 4 fail-to-board passengers with 7 bags required to be offloaded, advised limited accommodation in Melbourne. Virgin Australia advised that there was limited accommodation in Melbourne. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. VA891 had 159 passengers including 1 wheelchair user, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:00 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: 13/11/2023 – 26/11/2023

DETAILS OF REFUSED DISPENSATION

Date: 25 November 2023

Aircraft: B777

Registration: A7-BFA

Operator: Qatar Airways

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qatar Airlines flight QR8984 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing at Sydney Airport due to engineering problems with the aircraft. A dispensation was not granted for take-off as the officer was not satisfied the flight met the criteria required to issue a dispensation. The aircraft departed at 06:46 local time on 26/11/2023.

Approved: No

Reasons for Approval: The Delegate was not satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a curfew dispensation.

DISPENSATION REPORT – OTHER CURFEW AIRPORTS #18/23

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 13/11/2023 - 26/11/2023

ADELAIDE AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 19 November 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YFF

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA249 (Melbourne to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to engineering problems in previous sector requiring an aircraft swap. Virgin Australia advised that there was limited accommodation in Melbourne. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:55 local time. VA249 had 169 passengers including 2 infants and 1 wheelchair user, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:27 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: 22 November 2023

Aircraft: DH8 Q300 Registration: VH-SBI

Operation: Qantas
Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: QantasLink flight QF2145 (Kingscote to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to the original aircraft being grounded at Kingscote due to mechanical issues, requiring a new aircraft to fly in from Adelaide (QF6902). Qantas advised that there was no accommodation available on Kangaroo Island. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. QF2145 had 31 passengers and 4 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:21 local time.

Approved: Yes

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

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 13/11/2023 – 26/11/2023

GOLD COAST AIRPORT

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

ESSENDON FIELDS AIRPORT

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DISPENSATION REPORT – REFUSED DISPENSATIONS OTHER CURFEW AIRPORTS #18/23

REFUSED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL REFUSED DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 13/11/2023 – 26/11/2023

ADELAIDE AIRPORT

There were no refused dispensations for Gold Coast 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.

Note: This Dispensation Report records all dispensations that are formally approved or refused. The Delegates regularly receive questions by phone from airlines about whether a dispensation is likely to be given if an application is made.

Where the Delegate advises that an application is unlikely to be given if an application is made, airlines do not generally make a formal application.

These situations are not recorded in this Dispensation Report.