

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 16/10/2023 – 06/11/2023

SYDNEY AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 22 October 2023

Aircraft: B747

Registration: 9V-SFM

Operator: Singapore Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Singapore Airlines flight SQ7286 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a medical emergency with ground crew and plane unable to move until the person was treated. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:40 local time. SQ7286 is a cargo flight with 2 crew on-board and 5419 kg of perishable pharmaceuticals being flown to Brussels. The aircraft departed at 23:34 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: 23 October 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: VH-QPG

Operator: Qantas Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF25 (Sydney to Tokyo) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to an engineering issue leading to an antenna change. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:20 local time. QF25 had 234 passengers and 12 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:15 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 October 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: N374HA

Operator: Hawaiian Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Hawaiian Airlines flight HA452 (Sydney to Honolulu) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to an engineering problem with the number 2 engine thrust reverser, requiring an immediate fix. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:45 local time. HA452 had 269 passengers and 13 crew on-board. 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: 26 October 2023

Aircraft: BAE146

Registration: VH-SFV

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF7419 (Brisbane to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to an unforeseen weather conditions in the area. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:05 local time. 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.

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 29 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VZT

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF495 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a combination of a fail to board passenger and delays in taxi clearance. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:20 local time. QF495 had 174 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:14 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: 31 October 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ987 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to inflight emergency that delayed all departing aircraft at Perth Airport. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ987 had 195 passengers including 5 children, 2 infants, 1 wheelchair user, and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:02 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: 31 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VUG

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA562 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to inflight emergency that delayed all departing aircraft. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. VA562 had 135 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:13 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: 6 November 2023

Aircraft: B777

Registration: A6-EFL

Operator: Emirates

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Emirates flight EK9820 (Sydney to Hong Kong) was delayed departing Sydney due to an inoperable Auxiliary Power Unit which required sourcing a ground power unit. The additional time to source the power pushed back the expected departure time into the curfew period. A dispensation was granted because of the cargo carried on board which included 16 horses and perishable goods. The Dispensation was granted for departure by 23:30 local time. EK9820 had 3 passengers and 3 crew. The aircraft departed at 23:19 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: 16/10/2023 – 06/11/2023

DETAILS OF REFUSED DISPENSATION

Date: 26 October 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: 9MXBG

Operator: AirAsia X

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request and Refusal: Air Asia flight D7289 (Sydney to Kuala Lumpur) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to engineering issues occurring after pushback, requiring a return to bay for inspection. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:45, then extended to 23:55 local time. D7289 had 194 passengers and 11 crew on-board. The airline then requested a further extension to 00:30, this was rejected due to no considerable hardship and the original departure time of 21:45. The flight was subsequently cancelled.

Approved: No

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

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ADELAIDE AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 21 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-IWY

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA1504 (Cairns to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to aircraft engineering issues in the previous sector. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. VA1504 had 154 passengers including and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:36 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: 29 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YVC

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA249 (Melbourne to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to delays in the previous sector due to a sick crew-member. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:25 local time. VA249 had 176 passengers including 2 wheelchair users, and 4 children, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:18 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: 29 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-XZG

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF749 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to an aircraft swap in the previous sector. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. QF749 had 135 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:26 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: 30 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VYH

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF749 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to late delivery of baggage. Qantas then left the baggage to avoid longer delays. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. QF749 had 123 passengers including 1 wheelchair user, and 6 crew on-board with 9kg of urgent medical supplies. 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: 30 October 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VUT

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA249 (Melbourne to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to a delay in departure from the previous sector. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. VA249 had 166 passengers including 2 wheelchair users, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 31 October 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQM

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ766 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to a fail to board passenger in Sydney. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. JQ766 had 167 passengers including 7 children, 2 infants, 1 wheelchair user, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:05 local time.

Approved: Yes

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

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INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 16/10/2023 – 06/11/2023

GOLD COAST AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 28 October 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGV

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ450 (Melbourne to Gold Coast) was delayed arriving at Gold Coast Airport due to an engineering issue that had to be tested before boarding in Melbourne. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ450 had 116 passengers including 10 children, 2 wheelchair users, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:22 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: 29 October 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGI

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ448 (Melbourne to Gold Coast) was delayed arriving at Gold Coast Airport due to delays in Melbourne from an unforeseen weather event creating large network delays. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. JQ448 had 160 passengers including 1 infant, 13 children, 1 wheelchair user, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:36 local time.

Approved: Yes

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

ESSENDON FIELDS AIRPORT

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

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INDIVIDUAL REFUSED DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 16/10/2023 – 06/11/2023

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.