

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 05/12/2023 – 05/02/2024

SYDNEY AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 5 December 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: N378HA

Operator: Hawaiian Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Hawaiian Airlines flight HA452 (Sydney to Honolulu) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to engineering issues identified during taxi, meaning the aircraft had to return to bay to rectify the engineering issues. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. HA452 had 277 passengers including 4 infants and 13 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 9 December 2023

Aircraft: A380

Registration: A7-APJ

Operator: Qatar Airways

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qatar Airways flight QR909 (Sydney to Doha) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a sick passenger who was required to seek treatment and obtain medical clearance prior to departure. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 00:59 local time. QR909 (QTR97W) had 521 passengers including 10 wheelchair users, 49 children, 6 infants and 29 crew on-board. This flight also had 4 tonnes of perishable cargo. The aircraft departed 00:57 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: 11 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-XZJ

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF499 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to an unforeseen ground stop due to poor visibility in Melbourne. Air Traffic Control provided alternative pushback times but these times fell within curfew hours in Sydney. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:30 local time. QF499 had 143 passengers and 8 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 11 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: HSTHJ

Operator: Thai Airways International

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Thai Airways flight TG461 (Bangkok to Melbourne) was diverted to Sydney Airport due to low visibility in Melbourne. The flight was fully boarded in Sydney and further delayed leaving for Melbourne as a result of ongoing visibility issues causing a ground stop at Sydney. A verbal dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. TG461 had 240 passengers and 15 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:29 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: 13 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VWQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ536 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to an engineering issue that resulted in an aircraft swap. Additionally, the refueller was late to the new aircraft causing further delays. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:35 local time. JQ536 had 188 passengers including 5 children and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:35 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: 13 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: BLRU

Operator: Cathay Pacific

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Cathay Pacific flight CX138 (Sydney to Hong Kong) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to weather conditions that closed the tarmac. In addition, there were further delays caused by cargo loading issues. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:45 local time. CX138 had 275 passengers and 13 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:41 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: 13 December 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: 9MMTL

Operator: Malaysia Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Malaysia Airlines flight MH140 (Sydney to Kuala Lumpur) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen weather causing a complete ground stop in Sydney. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. MH140 had 285 passengers and 12 crew on-board, along with 4 pallets and 3 certified aircraft containers of perishable food. The aircraft departed at 23:46 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: 13 December 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: VH-QPH

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF103 (Sydney to Honolulu) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to severe unforeseen weather causing a ground stop, pushing departure into the curfew period. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. QF103 had 286 passengers and 12 crew on-board, along with 2 live animals (Dogs). The aircraft departed at 23:48 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: 13 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXI

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF554 (Sydney to Brisbane) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather causing a ground stop, pushing the departure into the curfew period. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:45 local time. QF103 had 116 passengers and 6 crew on-board as well as urgent medical freight (surgery related) supplies and aircraft parts. The aircraft departed at 23:44 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: 13 December 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: B-18316

Operator: China Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: China Airlines flight CI052 (Sydney to Taipei) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather causing a ground stop, pushing the departure into the curfew period. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. CI52 had 267 passengers and 12 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:50 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: 15 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXL

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF543 (Brisbane to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a fail to board passenger requiring their checked bag to be offloaded. The aircraft was then held on the taxiway prior to departure. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. QF543 had 169 passengers 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: 15 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: 9V-SHG

Operator: Singapore Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Singapore Airlines flight SQ245 (Sydney to Brisbane) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to severe weather conditions in Brisbane. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. SQ245 had 308 passengers and 14 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 23:21 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: 16 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFS

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ959 (Cairns to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to cargo weight compliance issues requiring all freight to be reloaded. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:25 local time. JQ959 had 60 passengers including 1 child and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:17 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: 18 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: B30CE

Operator: China Southern

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: China Southern flight CZ302 (Sydney to Guangzhou) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unexpected airspace restrictions along with subsequent delays in refuelling the aircraft. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:30 local time. CZ302 had 305 passengers including 53 children, 3 infants and 17 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:17 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: 18 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXA

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF557 (Brisbane to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a cracked window in the cockpit, forcing all passengers to be offloaded and then reboarded onto a new aircraft. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. QF557 had 105 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The flight was also transporting 10kg of perishable cargo. The aircraft arrived 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: 18 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-PNI

Operator: Nauru Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Nauru Airlines flight ON348 (Sydney to Brisbane) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to the requirement for extra security protocols for passengers in the custody of the Department of Home Affairs and Australian Border Force. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:30 local time. ON348 had 30 passengers (security personnel) and 13 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:20 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: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFV

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ141 (Sydney to Avarua) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen weather preventing a mandatory engineering test, pushing departure into the curfew period. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. JQ141 had 141 passengers including 3 infants and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:59 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: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: A380

Registration: A6-EOF

Operator: Emirates

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Emirates flight EK417 (Sydney to Dubai) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather and additional engineering issues. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:50 local time. EK417 had 452 passengers and 28 crew on-board along with 3 live dogs and medicinal freight. The aircraft departed at 23:49 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: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: A330

Registration: 9MMTK

Operator: Malaysia Airlines

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Malaysia Airlines flight MH141 (Kuala Lumpur to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due an unforeseen severe weather event at Sydney causing a diversion to Melbourne before completing the journey. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 00:20 local time. MH141 had 226 passengers including 17 wheelchair passengers and 12 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 00:16 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: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: B30CE

Operator: China Southern

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: China Southern Airlines flight CZ302 (Sydney to Guangzhou) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 23:53 local time. CZ302 had 297 passengers and 17 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:53 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: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: HL8383

Operator: Asiana Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Asiana Airlines flight OZ6023 (Sydney to Seoul) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather followed by a tow truck breaking down as the aircraft was taxiing out. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 00:30 local time. OZ6023 had 290 passengers and 16 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.

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: B787

Registration: 9V-OJI

Operator: Scoot Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Scoot Airways flight TR20 (Singapore to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due unforeseen severe weather at Sydney causing a diversion to Melbourne before completing the journey. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 00:25 local time. TR20 had 279 passengers and 12 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 00:24 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: 19 December 2023

Aircraft: B777

Registration: A6-ETG

Operator: Etihad Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Etihad flight EY454 (Abu Dhabi to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due unforeseen severe weather at Sydney causing a diversion to Melbourne before completing the journey. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 00:30 local time. EY454 had 370 passengers and 16 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 21 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFP

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ987 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to Air Traffic Control in Perth holding departures to prioritise firefighting aircraft. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ987 had 223 passengers including 2 wheelchair users and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:19 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: 21 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-MFM

Operator: REX Airlines

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: REX Airlines flight ZL379 (Brisbane to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a passenger requiring assistance and ground holds at Brisbane Airport. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. ZL379 had 125 passengers including 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: 21 December 2023

Aircraft: B787

Registration: VH-ZNC

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF25 (Sydney to Tokyo) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a brake light fault requiring a return to bay to repair the fault. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 00:15 local time. QF25 had 236 passengers, including 1 wheelchair user, and 14 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 00:13 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: 22 December 2023

Aircraft: Not Applicable

Operator: Sydney Airport Corporation Limited

Operation: Arrivals and Departures

Circumstances Leading to Request: Dispensation granted to Sydney Airport Corporation Limited to use runway 16L/34R for up to 38 nights between the period of 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024 due to runway maintenance and construction works on Runway 16R/34L.

Approved: Yes

Reasons for Approval: The Delegate was satisfied that exceptional circumstances existed for issue of a dispensation under Section 20 of the *Sydney Airport Curfew Act 1995*, as per Section 7 of the Sydney Airport Curfew (Dispensation) Guideline 2016.

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 23 December 2023

Aircraft: A350

Registration: HL8360

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Asiana Airlines flight OZ6023 (Sydney to Seoul) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a leak in the international terminal ceiling resulting in a delay in boarding the passengers. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. OZ6023 had 299 passengers and 16 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:08 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A380

Registration: A7-API

Operator: Qatar

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qatar Airways flight QR909 (Sydney to Doha) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a medical incident that occurred after push back, requiring a return to the gate and the offloading of the passenger. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:45 local time. QR909 had 516 passengers and 29 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 24 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-XZD

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF748 (Adelaide to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to severe weather conditions at Sydney Airport delaying the previous sector's departure from Sydney. The airline advised of limited accommodation in Adelaide. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:25 local time. QF748 had 83 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 24 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFS

Operator: Jetstar

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ141 (Sydney to Avarua) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather in Sydney delaying flight crew who were arriving on another flight. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:59 local time. JQ141 had 172 passengers including 1 infant and 7 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: 24 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YIH

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA544 (Gold Coast to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather at Sydney and Air Traffic Control delays in South East Queensland. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. VA544 had 101 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:16 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGD

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ750 (Launceston to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather in Sydney along with a late crew arrival. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. JQ750 had 162 passengers including 10 children, 2 infants, and 1 requiring special handling, and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:54 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VFK

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ613 (Sydney to Avalon) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather occurring at Sydney affecting airport operations. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:50 local time. JQ613 had 184 passengers including 3 infants and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:45 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQA

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ421 (Gold Coast to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather conditions affecting carrier operations across the country. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. JQ421 had 186 passengers including 1 infant 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: 26 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YWA

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA544 (Gold Coast to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to 2 fail-to-board passengers and subsequent baggage removal. A dispensation was granted landing no later than 23:20 local time. VA544 had 151 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The arrived 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: 28 December 2023

Aircraft: B767

Registration: VH-EXZ

Operator: Tasman Cargo Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Tasman Cargo Airlines flight HJ002 (Sydney to Auckland) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to airspace restrictions pushing departure into the curfew period. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:20 local time. Freight included lifesaving radioactive material used for cancer treatments. HJ002 had 2 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 29 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWW

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ987 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to an issue with a switch in the lavatory that required the lavatory to be removed and repaired. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. JQ987 had 197 passengers including 11 children, one wheelchair user and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:20 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A380

Registration: A6-EVD

Operator: Emirates

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Emirates flight EK413 (Sydney to Dubai) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a passenger who had suffered an allergic reaction, which required the passenger to be offloaded along with their luggage. A dispensation was granted for departing no later than 23:45 local time. EK413 had 410 passengers including 8 infants, 2 unaccompanied minors and 29 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQJ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ750 (Launceston to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to engineering issues with the aircraft's auxiliary power unit which required a manual restart. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. JQ750 had 153 passengers including one infant, 15 children 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.

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 31 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWW

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 engineering issues with the cargo light indicator which required rectification before departure. Due to weather, the engineers were delayed attending the aircraft. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. JQ427 had 154 passengers including 1 infant, 15 children, 2 unaccompanied minors and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft landed at 23:08 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: 2 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXE

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF499 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:50 local time. QF499 had 123 passengers including 1 wheelchair user and 6 crew on-board. Cargo included 33kg of perishable goods and 130kgs of medical goods. The aircraft departed at 23:44 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: 2 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXI

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF556 (Sydney to Brisbane) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:50 local time. QF556 had 110 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:38 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: 2 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VXS

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF652 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to the uplift of a passenger requiring an eagle lift and a medical offload of a passenger in Perth. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:35 local time. QF652 had 136 passengers 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: 2 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VZB

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF498 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to unforeseen severe weather. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:35 local time. QF498 had 106 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: 3 January 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQJ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ750 (Launceston to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to Air Traffic Control changing the runway being used for the Launceston departure which required recalculation of take-off performance. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. JQ750 had 179 passengers including 1 infant, 17 children 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.

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 7 January 2024

Aircraft: A350

Registration: B-308T

Operator: China Southern

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: China Southern flight CZ302 (Sydney to Guangzhou) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to ground crew delays from a broken tug, delaying pushback from gate. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:27 local time. CZ302 had 290 passengers and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 8 January 2024

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ536 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a failure to board procedure delaying pushback along with the aircraft requiring an air start to commence operating. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. JQ536 had 236 passengers including 11 children, 2 special passengers, and 1 infant, and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:06 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: 9 January 2024

Aircraft: A330

Registration: 9M-XXR

Operator: Air AsiaX

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: AirAsia X flight XAX289D (Auckland to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to engineering problems (leaking oxygen), causing a near 30-hour delayed departure from Auckland. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. XAX289D had 258 passengers including 3 wheelchair passengers and 4 infants, and 12 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: 11 January 2024

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ536 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to engineering issues regarding a faulty external power unit that required replacement. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. JQ536 had 154 passengers including 16 children, 1 infant, and 8 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:35 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: 11 January 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VFV

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ612 (Avalon to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a longer than expected turnaround in the disembarking/boarding process. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:25 local time. JQ612 had 154 passengers including 16 children, 1 infant, and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:19 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: 12 January 2024

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ536 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a medical incident with a passenger which required the person and their bags to be offloaded. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. JQ536 had 127 passengers including 1 infant and 8 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 13 January 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-YXT

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ536 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a passenger requiring additional assistance when boarding. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. JQ536 had 157 passengers including 11 children, 4 special needs passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:30 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: 16 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VYA

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF652 (Perth to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a significant engineering issue found prior to passenger boarding. While fixing this issue, a main equipment service door derailed, causing further delays. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. QF652 had 111 passengers including 1 unaccompanied minor and 7 crew on-board. Freight onboard included 15kgs blood consigned as Live Human Organ. The aircraft arrived at 23:45 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: 18 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-8ZL

Operator: REX Airlines

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: REX Airlines flight RXA367 (Brisbane to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to engineering issues with the oxygen masks. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. RXA367 had 42 passengers including 4 unaccompanied minors and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:09 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: 20 January 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VFK

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ612 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to a bird strike causing engineering issues that took longer than expected to resolve. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. JQ612 had 179 passengers including 6 children, 1 infant and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:46 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 January 2024

Aircraft: B767

Registration: VH-EKZ

Operator: Tasman Cargo Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Tasman Cargo Airlines flight HJ002 (Sydney to Auckland) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due engineering issues that required rectification. A dispensation was granted for taking off no later than 23:30 local time. HJ002 had 2 passengers and 2 crew on-board. Freight included lifesaving radioactive material used for cancer treatments. The aircraft departed 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: 23 January 2024

Aircraft: B767

Registration: VH-EKZ

Operator: Tasman Cargo Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Tasman Cargo Airlines flight HJ002 (Sydney to Auckland) was delayed departing at Sydney Airport due to a cargo load equipment failure that required repair. A dispensation was granted for taking off no later than 23:30 local time. Freight included lifesaving radioactive material used for cancer treatments. HJ002 had 1 passenger and 2 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:23 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 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VZS

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF499 (Sydney to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to a technical issue with an auxiliary power unit lead valve requiring an aircraft swap. A dispensation was granted for taking off no later than 23:45 local time. QF499 had 145 passengers including 14 children, 2 infants and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:41 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: 28 January 2024

Aircraft: B777

Registration: B-KPQ

Operator: Cathay Pacific

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Cathay Pacific flight CX138 (Sydney to Hong Kong) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport due to the lavatory waste tank requiring replacement as it could not be drained. A dispensation was granted for taking off no later than 23:59 local time. CX138 had 149 passengers and 16 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: 31 January 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGI

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ612 (Melbourne to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to two failed-to-board passengers (requiring baggage offload) and an engineering fault. Following pushback, the fault reoccurred which necessitated a discussion with maintenance personnel to apply a minimum equipment list. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ612 had 174 passengers including 2 infants, 37 children and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:24 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: 1 February 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-YXU

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ769 (Adelaide to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to the aircraft being required to return to base in Adelaide to investigate an issue relating to engine no.1. Subsequent engineering attention caused a significant delay. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ769 had 166 passengers including 3 children and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:17 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: 1 February 2024

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-VWX

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 a passenger vaping prior to departure from Gold Coast, which required attendance by the AFP. Separately, an inspection of the aircraft identified an issue with one of the wheels, requiring a wheel change. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. JQ427 had 216 passengers including 31 children, 1 infant, 1 wheelchair passenger 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: 1 February 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-XSJ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ791 (Sunshine Coast to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to the aircraft requiring the application of speed tape. There were no suitably qualified personnel on site to apply the tape, requiring an engineer to travel from Brisbane to perform the task. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ791 had 124 passengers including 4 children and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 2 February 2024

Aircraft: A330

Registration: N392HA

Operator: Hawaiian Airlines

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Hawaiian Airlines flight HA452 (Sydney to Honolulu) was delayed departing from Sydney Airport initially due to multiple passengers requiring offloading for medical reasons, followed by an airspace closure requiring route recalculation and refuelling. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:40 local time. HA452 had 162 passengers and 10 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 4 February 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGA

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ750 (Launceston to Sydney) was delayed arriving at Sydney Airport due to significant engineering issues requiring an engineer to be flown into Launceston to rectify the issue. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ750 had 157 passengers including 4 children, 2 infants, 1 wheelchair passenger and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:12 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: 05/12/2023 – 05/02/2024

There were no refused dispensations for Sydney Airport during this period

REVOKED DISPENSATIONS

THERE WERE THREE DISPENSATIONS THAT WERE REVOKED ON 31 JANUARY 2024.

DETAILS OF REVOKED DISPENSATION

Date of dispensation issue: Wednesday, 28 June 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registrations: **VH-YNU, VH-ONU, ZK-TLE, ZK-FXJ, ZK-FXK, ZK-JTQ, ZK-TLJ, ZK-TLK, ZK-TLL, ZK-FXM and ZK-TLM**

Operator: IPEC Pty Ltd/Team Global Express

Operation: Arrival and Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: The dispensation was originally granted to IPEC Pty Ltd/Team Global Express to operate up to 12 movements per week during the curfew period, being 9 movements per week allocated under the Sydney Airport Curfew Regulations 2023 and 3 movements per week in reliance upon this dispensation. The dispensation also provided for the use of B737 aircraft for the 12 movements per week.

This Dispensation was revoked on 31 January 2024.

DETAILS OF REVOKED DISPENSATION

Date of dispensation issue: Wednesday, 28 June 2023

Aircraft: BAe-146, B737 and A321

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

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival and Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: The dispensation was originally granted to Qantas to operate up to 27 movements per week during the curfew period, as allocated under the Sydney Airport Curfew Regulations 2023 utilising BAe-146 aircraft along with B737 and A320.

This Dispensation was revoked on 31 January 2024.

DETAILS OF REVOKED DISPENSATION

Date of dispensation issue: Wednesday, 28 June 2023

Aircraft: BAe-146

Registrations: **VH-SAJ, VH-SFV, VH-SFW, VH-SIF, VH-SQR, VH-SAZ, VH-SJE, VH-HZU and VH-IJZ**

Operator: ASL Airlines Australia/Pionair

Operation: Arrival and Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: This dispensation was originally granted to ASL Australia Airlines/Pionair to operate up to 13 movements per week during the curfew period, being 10 movements per week allocated under the Sydney Airport Curfew Regulations 2023 and 3 movements per week in reliance upon this dispensation.

This Dispensation was revoked on 31 January 2024.

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 05/12/2023 – 05/02/2024

ADELAIDE AIRPORT

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 6 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VGP

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ766 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to the aircraft being delayed on the previous sector (Adelaide to Sydney) as one of the crew was unwell and a crew swap was required. This issue pushed the expected landing time at Adelaide past 23:00. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ766 had 163 passengers including 2 wheelchair users, 3 children and 7 on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 6 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFU

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ680 (Hobart to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to delays in the previous sector (Adelaide to Hobart). The plane was fully boarded when a brake steering issue was identified that required an aircraft swap. This swap to a larger aircraft meant that an additional crew member was required. This issue pushed the expected landing time at Adelaide past 23:00. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. JQ680 had 133 passengers including 1 wheelchair user, 3 infants, 5 children and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:33 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: 8 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VUI

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA722 (Perth to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to delays from the preceding sector (Melbourne to Perth) where one of the cabin crew became unwell and had to be replaced. There was a delay whilst a replacement Cabin Crew member was sourced. Additionally, after push-back the aircraft incurred an extended taxi time. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. VA722 had 124 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:31 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: 11 December 2023

Aircraft: E190

Registration: VH-XVS

Operator: Alliance Airlines

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Alliance Airlines flight QF1939 (Brisbane to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to unforeseen severe weather conditions that led to runway closures at Adelaide Airport, causing delays in the previous sector (Adelaide to Brisbane). Following this, there were engineering issues with the aircraft, requiring an aircraft swap. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time (extended from 23:45). QF1939 had 84 passengers including and 4 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: 11 December 2023

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFP

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ975 (Perth to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to crew (First Officer) illness. Delays were incurred while sourcing a replacement crew member. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:15 local time. JQ975 had 224 passengers including 2 infants, 12 children, 1 wheelchair user requiring assistance and 7 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:04 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: 15 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQL

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ680 (Hobart to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to paperwork issues regarding an unaccompanied minor causing a delay in the previous sector. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. JQ680 had 97 passengers including 1 infant, 5 children and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 15 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VUO

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA722 (Perth to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to contracted catering not arriving. Due to the length of the flight, crew had to wait for catering arrival. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. VA722 had 142 passengers 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: 24 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VZA

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF749 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to a delayed departure from Sydney due to a ground stop caused by unforeseen severe weather. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. QF749 had 139 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:16 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 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-VQC

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ766 (Melbourne to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to unforeseen severe weather conditions affecting carrier operations across the country. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:40 local time. JQ766 had 171 passengers including 1 infant 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.

DETAILS OF DISPENSATION

Date: 24 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VUK

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA246 (Adelaide to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Adelaide Airport due to engineering issues requiring an aircraft swap. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:25 local time. VA246 had 101 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft departed 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: 26 December 2023

Aircraft: E190

Registration: VH-XVU

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF1939 (Brisbane to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to unforeseen severe weather causing delays on the previous sector (Adelaide to Brisbane). A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:30 local time. QF1939 had 50 passengers including 1 unaccompanied child and 4 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:30 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: 26 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VFH

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA1404 (Brisbane to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to 6 fail to board passengers and subsequent baggage removal. A dispensation was granted for arrival no later than 23:20 local time. VA1404 had 176 passengers including 1 infant, 1 wheelchair passenger, 1 passenger with a medical condition and 4 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived 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: 27 December 2023

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-YFU

Operator: Virgin Australia

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Virgin Australia flight VA723 (Adelaide to Perth) was delayed departing at Adelaide Airport due to sick passengers requiring offloading on the preceding sector (Sydney to Adelaide). A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:40 local time. VA723 had 169 passengers and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft departed at 23:37 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: 15 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-VYB

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF749 (Sydney to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to operating crew delays in the previous sector. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. QF749 had 138 and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:17 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: 18 January 2024

Aircraft: B737

Registration: VH-XZP

Operator: Qantas

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Qantas flight QF888 (Perth to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to engineering issues. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:45 local time. QF888 had 113 passengers 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: 19 January 2024

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-YXQ

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ680 (Hobart to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to engineering issues during taxi after the aircraft pushed back. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:20 local time. JQ680 had 171 passengers including 22 children, 2 infants, 2 wheelchair users and 6 crew on-board. The aircraft arrived at 23:04 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 January 2024

Aircraft: A321

Registration: VH-OFY

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Departure

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar Airways flight JQ777 (Adelaide to Melbourne) was delayed departing from Adelaide Airport due to discrepancies with the notification to captain documents, which the pilot needed to reprint and check. A dispensation was granted for take-off no later than 23:15 local time. JQ777 had 208 passengers including 17 children, 2 infants, 1 wheelchair user and 6 crew on-board. Freight included 36 packages and 278kg of blood. The aircraft departed 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: 23 January 2024

Aircraft: E190

Registration: VH-UZD

Operator: Alliance Airlines

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Alliance Airlines flight QF1939 (Brisbane to Adelaide) was delayed arriving at Adelaide Airport due to engineering issues requiring an aircraft swap. A dispensation was granted for landing no later than 23:25 local time. QF1939 had 41 passengers including an unaccompanied minor and 5 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.

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 05/12/2023 – 05/02/2024

GOLD COAST AIRPORT

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

APPROVED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 05/12/2023 – 05/02/2024

ESSENDON FIELDS AIRPORT

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

REFUSED DISPENSATIONS

INDIVIDUAL REFUSED DISPENSATION DETAILS FOR PERIOD: 05/12/2023 – 05/02/2024

ADELAIDE AIRPORT

Date: 28 December 2023

Aircraft: A320

Registration: VH-YXW

Operator: Jetstar Airways

Operation: Arrival

Circumstances Leading to Request: Jetstar flight JQ766 (Sydney to Adelaide) was refused a dispensation for a curfew landing. There was a delay in the planned departure due to previous sector delays. In the previous sector (Adelaide to Sydney), the aircraft required an engineer inspection, with severe weather delaying the inspection. A dispensation for the Sydney to Adelaide flight was initially granted for landing no later than 23:59 local time. A further time extension was requested; however, this was formally refused as the planned arrival would be 00:20 local time and the Duty Officer assessed that the circumstances for the later arrival did not meet the dispensation criteria. JQ766 had 170 passengers including 15 children, 1 infant and 6 crew on-board. As the aircraft was not able to be granted the dispensation for the later arrival, the flight was cancelled by Jetstar.

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.