

Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport (ECP)

Emergency Contingency Plan

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport (ECP) has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant 42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to the Executive Director, Parker W. McClellan, Jr. A.A.E. at pmcclellan@pcairport.com.

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a Small Hub Commercial Airport or (2) this airport may be used by an air carrier described in USC 42301 (a) (1) for diversions.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, the Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide for sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Patrol (CBP).

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport will make every effort accommodate diverted flights. Except in the case of an in-flight emergency, the Airport strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact the airport at 850-636-8950 for prior coordination of diverted flights.

Specific facility constraints include the following:

- Lack of international passenger processing facilities
- A limited number of aircraft parking gate positions
- Hard stand positions with limited access to aircraft are available

Airport Information

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Airport Category: Small Hub

Contact Information

In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact the **Airport Operations Center at (850) 769-6033** for assistance.

Providing for Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport does not operate any of the equipment needed to safely deplane passengers on the ramp from air carrier aircraft and is, therefore, unable on its own to provide for the deplanement of passengers. Additionally, airport personnel are not trained to assist in the deplanement of passengers using equipment owned or operated by air carriers or contract service providers.

The Airport will provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed based operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays.

Sharing of Facilities and Making Gates Available in an Emergency

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport has four common use gates not currently under lease agreement to air carriers and are controlled by the airport. Three additional gates at the Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport are under preferential leases to air carriers and are not fully controlled by the airport. The airport will make common use gates available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate, to the maximum extent practicable. If additional gates are needed, the airport will direct tenant air carriers to make preferential use gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate, during those time periods when the tenant airline is not using, or not scheduled to use, the gate, to the maximum extent practicable.

Providing a Sterile Area for Passengers who have not cleared United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities. However, the Airport has coordinated with local CBP and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. The Airport will coordinate with local CBP and law enforcement officials to the maximum extent practicable.

Public Access to the Emergency Contingency Plan

The Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport will provide public access to its emergency contingency plan through one or more of the following means:

- Posting in a conspicuous location on the Airport website
<http://iflybeaches.com>
- Providing notice of the availability of the plan on the airport's social media accounts.
- Posting signs in conspicuous locations in the terminal.