



Chicago Midway International Airport (KMDW)

Emergency Contingency Plan

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General

Chicago Midway International Airport (“Midway”) has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Erin O’Donnell at irregularops_mdw@cityofchicago.org. Midway is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport and (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, Midway will:

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

Midway has facility constraints that limit its ability to accommodate diverted flights or maintain the airport’s safe operation and strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact Airport Operations at (773) 838-0677 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. Specific facility constraints include the following:

- Midway will only accept a maximum of five diversion flights of which one of the five can be an international flight.
- Restricted gate availability and size for certain aircraft types.
- Midway’s airport design and layout as well as our FAA Part 139 Airport Certification limits the airport’s aircraft type to be no larger than Boeing 757.
- Midway has other constraints, as listed in Midway International Airport’s Airport/Facility Directory and FAA Form 5010 records.

Prior to diverting to Midway, to the extent practicable, aircraft operators should communicate to Airport Operations, at (773) 838-0677, the company and flight operations contact information, number of passengers, type of aircraft, international or domestic origin, and any ground servicing agreements or requirements.

Airport Information

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Airport Category: Large Hub Medium Hub Small Hub Non Hub

Contact Information

In the event of diversions or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact Airport Operations at (773) 838-0677 for assistance. If the diversion aircraft is an international flight, aircraft operators should ALSO contact Midway U.S. Customs and Border Patrol ("CBP") (773) 948-6330, ext. 01 (Hours of operation 0730–2300). After hours and 24/7 contact O'Hare Airport CBP (773) 894-2900, ext. 0.

Plan to Provide for the Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

The Chicago Department of Aviation at Midway has no proprietary equipment and personnel needed to safely enplane and/or deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. Equipment and personnel are provided by locally based airlines, fixed based operators ("FBO") or ground handlers. All equipment and personnel requests will be made to the airlines, FBOs or ground handlers. Midway Airlines' Terminal Consortium ("MATCO") will be contacted by the airlines or Airport Operations for gate coordination. The airline, FBO or ground handler will deplane passengers as soon as practicable after receiving requests from diversion airlines via the contact number listed above. After receiving requests from airlines anticipating possible excessive tarmac delays, CDA will provide a list of airlines, FBOs and ground handlers and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers as soon as practicable. Exhibit A provides a summary of the aircraft gauge that can be accommodated by the airlines, FBOs and ground handlers operating at Midway.

Plan to Provide for the Sharing of Facilities and Make Gates Available in an Emergency

Given Midway's limited airfield design and layout, the CDA believes that the airport can accommodate five diverted aircraft, provided that those aircraft are Boeing 757 or smaller. Therefore, Midway can only accept a maximum of five diversion flights, of which one of the five can be an international flight. These diverted flights may be accommodated on terminal gates and/or a remote hardstand position. During possible excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, CDA will request the gate coordinator to make gates or hardstand parking positions available to diverted air carriers seeking to deplane as feasible.

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

Midway has defined sterile areas capable of accommodating limited numbers of international passengers. CDA will coordinate with local CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared CBP to be deplaned into these sterile areas, to the extent practicable.

Midway will provide public access to its Emergency Contingency Plan by posting on the airport website (<http://flychicago.com>).

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Exhibit A

Aircraft Gauge Accommodation by Existing Airport Tenants

| AIRCRAFT TYPE | SOUTHWEST | DELTA | VOLARIS | PORTER |
|----------------------------------|---|-------|---------|--------|
| Boeing 737 | X | X | | |
| Boeing 757 | | X | | |
| Boeing 717 | X | X | | |
| Airbus A320 series | | X | X | |
| Bombardier CRJ series | | X | | |
| Bombardier Q400 | | | | X |
| Embraer E170 series | | X | | |
| Embraer ERJ-145 | | X | | X |
| FBO & GROUND HANDLERS | | | | |
| ATLANTIC | Airline fueling and General Aviation up to B757 | | | |
| SIGNATURE | General Aviation up to B737 | | | |
| AVIATION PORT SERVICES | Handling for airlines up to A321. No fueling | | | |
| SWISSPORT | Airline fueling only. No handling | | | |