

## **Tulsa International Airport TARMAC DELAY CONTINGENCY PLAN**

Tulsa International Airport Improvement Trusts doing business as Tulsa International Airport is a small hub airport and has prepared this Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan under §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Don Wyatt at donwyatt@tulsaairports.com. Tulsa International Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a 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, Tulsa International 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).

Tulsa International Airport does not have the ability to accommodate international flights and strongly encourages Airline operators not to divert international flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. Specific facility constraints include the following: terminal space to segregate international passengers from domestic passengers; lack of international passenger processing facilities; the inability to park or service category 5 or larger aircraft. We have noted these constraints in Tulsa International Airport Chart Supplemental. During diversion events, Tulsa International Airport will issue NOTAMs regarding its ability to accommodate diverted flights to ensure the safe and efficient operation of the airport and its ability to serve the civil aviation needs of the public during irregular operations events.

### **Airport Information**

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Airport Category: Large Hub  Medium Hub  Small Hub  Non Hub

### **Contact Information**

In a diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact the Airport Dispatch at 918-838-5030 for assistance.

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

Tulsa International Airport does not own or operate ground servicing equipment needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. It is, therefore, unable on its own to provide for the deplanement of passengers. Additionally, airport personnel are not trained or certified to operate ground service equipment owned by air carriers or contract service providers. A list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed base operators, and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to deplane passengers are listed below safely. Airlines that do not have a station at Tulsa International Airport should contact one of the agencies listed below as soon as practicable and request assistance to avoid experiencing excessive tarmac delays.

**Airlines:**

American Airlines	918-831-6307
Soutwest Airlines	918-384-1127
Delta	918-384-1715
United Airlines	918-513-3722

**Fix Based Operators:**

Atlantic Aviation	918-836-6592
Legacy Jet Center	918-836-0222
Sparks Aviation	918-835-2048
US Aviation	918-836-7345

A3, A10, B1, B4, B8, B9, and B10 gates at Tulsa International Airport are under common-use leases to air carriers and are controlled by the airport. Additionally, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, B3, B5, B6, and B8 gates at Tulsa International Airport are under preferential leases to air carriers and are not fully controlled by the airport. We will direct our common-use gate lessees, permittees, or users to make gates available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate to the maximum extent practicable. If additional gates are needed, we will request tenant air carriers to make preferential gates available to a non-tenant air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate during those periods when the tenant airline is not using or not scheduled to use the gate.

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

Tulsa International Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities. We will coordinate 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. Once these efforts are complete, we will coordinate with local CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into these sterile areas to the extent practicable.

**Public Access to the Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan**

Tulsa International Airport will provide public access to its Tarmac Delay Contingency plan by posting it in a conspicuous location on the airport's website <http://tulsaairports.com>.