Long Ground Time Procedure

September 2023

LGT PROCEDURE/ L3 AIRPORTS

All flights exceeding ground time of 120 min are considered long ground stop, pursuant to Greek Airport Regulation 4 (based carriers as well as PSO historic flights are excluded).

Procedure

The coordinator will allocate slots to LGT flights as defined, according to the parameters of each coordinated airport.

• LGT Requests for 3 days in advance operations

For slot requests within 3 days from the day of operation*, the coordinator will check the availability according to the parameters of the airport in question, allocate slots under conditions and require final approval from the airport operator.

* except HER airport, for which the horizon is extended to 7 days prior to the operation.

• Rejected Long Stay Request

In case the request is rejected by the airport operator, relevant flights will be canceled by the coordinator or the carrier involved. In such cases, the airport operator should communicate to the coordinator the reason(s) for not accepting the request. The coordinator, the airline and the airport will remain in contact with the aim of finding an alternative solution, subject to the airport's available resources. In case an air carrier does not adhere or respect a declined LGT, it will constitute a slot violation and penalties will be imposed.

Local Rules

In cooperation with interested parties, local rules are established to address operational variations affecting the allocation of slots for airports experiencing issues with the apron and therefore an airport may determine a ground time restriction for an amount of time other than 2 (two) hours by publishing the information in the coordination parameters of the airport involved and in relevant NOTAMs.

To obtain an operational base at a specific airport, the airport operator and the airline should reach an agreement regarding operational base specifications. This agreement should be communicated to the coordinator in due time.

Local Rule for Kefalonia (EFL) Airport in Summer 2024 season

Maximum Ground Time for all flights allocated to the declared apron parking stands should be up to 90 minutes daily.

In addition:

- Two (2) flights allocated to the declared apron parking stands can overnight at the airport.
- PSO flights are excluded. This applies even if one segment of the LGT is classified as a PSO flight.