

Dubai International Airport Positioning, Training and Technical Stop Flights Local Rule

Dubai International (DXB) has been designated as IATA Level 3 – fully Coordinated from the start of the Summer 2010 season. This move reflects increasingly scarce capacity at its peak hours of operation and the intention to implement a scheduling process that can promote best utilisation of the capacity in these periods.

ADDITIONAL SCHEDULING RULES AT DUBAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (DXB) FOR POSITIONING, TRAINING AND TECHNICAL STOP OPERATIONS, AMENDED FROM SUMMER 2023:

New operators or additional services by existing operators at Dubai International Airport

New operators or existing operators at Dubai International Airport requiring slots for positioning flights are required to follow the standard schedule application process as described in Dubai International's Conditions of Use.

Services that hold a series of slots for positioning will not gain historic status in future seasons. Therefore schedule requests for the same operation in future seasons will not be guaranteed a slot.

Training flights are only permitted by home based carriers and must obtain ad hoc slots to operate at Dubai International Airport.

Technical Stop operations are not permitted at Dubai International Airport*. Operators should apply to Dubai World Central Airport (DWC) for technical stop operations. New operators or existing operators at Dubai World Central Airport requiring slots for technical stop flights are required to follow the standard schedule application process as described in Dubai World Central's Conditions of Use.

*Technical Stop operations related to flights approved via local diplomatic channels are exempt from these restrictions.

Operations that already have historic status prior to the publication of these rules at Dubai International Airport

The historic status of existing positioning and operations will be maintained. These will however be subject to the standard rules around utilisation as laid out in the IATA Worldwide Airport Slots Guidelines. Failure to adhere to the rules will result in the loss of historic status and future applications will be treated as new services and subject to the rules relevant to these services as laid out above.

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