

Manchester Airport Summer 2026 Capacity Declaration

The following document sets out the coordination parameters which represent the available capacity for airport slot allocations.

Glossary

R60: Runway 60 minutes movement limit

R15: Runway 15 minutes movement limit

R05: Runway 5 minutes movement limit

R60/05: Runway 60 minutes movement limit rolling every 5 minutes (used as a gate separation constraint)

T60/15: 1-Hourly passengers limit rolling every 15 minutes

T30/15: 30-minute passengers limit rolling every 15 minutes

T120/15: 2-Hourly passengers limit rolling every 15 minutes

Notes

Changes vs previous equivalent season highlighted in red

Runway Limits

All times in UTC (unless otherwise stated)

Dual Runway Operations: Weekdays 0500-1959z, Saturdays 0500-1459z, Sundays 0500-0830z & 1200-1959z

R60	Arrivals			Departures			Totals		
	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun
0000*	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
0100*	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
0200*	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
0300*	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
0400*	15	15	15	15	15	15	21	21	21
0500*	30	30	30	42	42	42	56	56	56
0600	30	30	30	37	37	37	58	58	58
0700	33	33	33	35	35	35	61	61	61
0800	32	32	32	32	32	32	57	57	52
0900	32	32	29	32	32	29	57	57	46
1000	32	32	29	32	32	29	57	57	46
1100	32	32	29	32	32	29	57	57	46
1200	32	32	32	32	32	32	57	57	57
1300	32	32	32	32	32	32	57	57	57
1400	32	32	32	32	32	32	57	57	57
1500	32	29	32	32	29	32	57	46	57
1600	33	29	33	32	29	32	58	46	58
1700	32	29	32	34	29	34	59	46	59
1800	32	29	32	32	29	32	57	46	57
1900	32	28	32	32	26	32	57	46	57
2000	28	28	28	26	26	26	40	40	40
2100	28	28	28	18	18	18	31	31	31
2200*	26	26	26	15	15	15	26	26	26
2300*	17	17	17	15	15	15	17	17	17

R15	Arrivals			Departures			Totals		
	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun
0000-0440*	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6
0445-0455*	5	5	5	7	7	7	8	8	8
0500-0510*	10	10	10	13	13	13	16	16	16
0515-0825*	10	10	10	11	11	11	16	16	16
0830-1155	10	10	8	11	11	8	16	16	12
1200-1455	10	10	10	11	11	11	16	16	16
1500-1955	10	8	10	11	8	11	16	12	16
2000-2055	8	8	8	8	8	8	12	12	12
2100-2155	8	8	8	6	6	6	10	10	10
2200-2255*	8	8	8	5	5	5	8	8	8
2300-2355*	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6

R05	Departures	
	Single Runway	Dual Runway
0430-0655*	5	6

*Period of night restrictions 2200-0559z

Passenger Throughput Limits:

	Constraint	Terminal 2	Terminal 3
Departures	T60/15	5,800	1,500
	T120/15	10,250	2,600
Intl Arrivals	T60/15	4,500	1,300
	T30/15	2,900	750
CTA Arrivals	T60/15	N/A	550
DOM Arrivals	T60/15	600	N/A

Load Factor (%)	Arrivals	Departures
Charter (Inc TOM Schedules)	100	100
Low cost (non-UK)	95	95
USA & Canada (scheduled)	100	100
EU Scheduled (AF/KL/LH/SN/LX)	100	90
EU Scheduled (other carriers)	90	90
Non-EU Scheduled (EK/EY/TK/QR/PK/HU/HO/QR/CX/SQ/ET)	100	80
Non-EU Scheduled (other carriers)	80	80
Domestic	75	75

Gate Limits:

Gates*	Constraint	Terminal 2	Terminal 3
Departures (DOM & CTA)	R60/05	8	N/A
Arrivals (DOM & CTA)	R60/05	8	N/A
Departures (DOM Only)	R60/05	N/A	2
Arrivals (DOM Only)	R60/05	N/A	2

**Only Applicable to Passenger & Charter services*

Check-in Limits (Only Applicable to Terminal 2):

Managed by ACL using a check-in coordination tool.

Supersedes the previously declared check-in referral limit

	T2 East			T2 West					
Zone	A	B	C	D	E	EE	F	FF	G
Desks	20	26	12	16	16	16	16	16	16

Night Noise Restrictions:

Night quota limits apply at Manchester Airport.

- The night period is defined as 2300 - 0700 (Local) during which the maximum number of night quota points permitted to be 11,498. A scheduling limit will be set at 9,000 QC which will be reviewed on a seasonal basis
- The core night period is defined as 2330 - 0600 (Local) during which the maximum number of night quota points permitted to be 7,000.
- **Operating Ban on QC4 or above aircraft:** No QC4 or above aircraft will be permitted to operate during the night period 2300-0700 (Local)
- **Scheduling Ban on QC2 aircraft:** No additional QC2 aircraft will be permitted to be scheduled during the night period 2300-0700 (Local).

Local Rule 1 sets out the procedures for allocating and managing the use of Night Quota in accordance with the Night Flying Restrictions applicable at Manchester Airport

Miscellaneous

1. Large A/C: AN225/AN124/B747-800/A350-1000/B777X/A340-600
PPR
A380 PPR if non regular service
2. PPR: Departures 2100-0525L (series flights at initial submission OK).
3. Parking: PPR for non-regular carriers requiring overnight parking.
4. Transit Flights: PPR for new transit flights and retimes to existing flights
5. New Based A/C: Due to major airfield construction taking place any new additional based aircraft will need prior approval
6. Special Operational Request: Any special operational requests regarding: Surface access, Check-in, Security, Lounge, Gate, Immigration, Airside coaching must be communicated to the airport no later than 72 hours before the flight
7. Cargo Operations referral: Cargo flight scheduling will be subject to the following aircraft parking limitation. Maximum 1 x widebody stand available between 1200L and 1800L. A combined maximum of 2 x narrowbody aircraft or 1 x widebody aircraft allowed during this period. Any operations exceeding the available stands, will be referred to Airport. The Airport will respond within 72 hours. No overnight parking allowed.
8. **Code E Parking Stand Limit** **A maximum of 18 Code E (or above) aircraft can be on the ground at any given time. Managed by ACL using a Stand coordination tool.**