SYDNEY AIRPORT SECTION 40(3)(b) DECLARATIONS – NORTHERN SUMMER 2026

Acting under s11(4) of the Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997 and s40(3)(b) of the Sydney Airport Slot Management Scheme 2025, ACL Asia Pacific as the Slot Manager for Sydney Airport is authorised to declare that gate movements on specified dates and times did not have to be in accordance with allocated slots.

In determining whether to make a declaration under s47 of the Amendment Bill, ACL has considered whether: a) the operational capacity of Sydney (SYD), Melbourne (MEL) or Brisbane (BNE) airports has, or recently been, limited as a result of a published GDP, and b) has consequentially resulted in constrained demand.

ACL has consulted with, and had regard to the views of Airservices Australia and Sydney Airport Corporation Limited (for SYD only) before making these declarations.

The table below represents these dates and times at the port which was impacted by a GDP and resulted in constrained demand. For MEL and BNE the time periods shown for that airport. ACL will provide dispensation for SYD slots to flights impacted during these time periods.

Latest day of operation reviewed: 19 April 2026

ANY DOMESTIC CARRIER SEEKING DISPENSATION FOR ANY SLOTS DURING THESE TIMES MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

BY EMAILING: syd@acl-international.com

SYD Ground Delay Program (GDP)

Hour Local	0600	0700	0800	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200
03-Apr												✓	✓				
12-Apr						✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
17-Apr												✓	✓	✓			

MEL Ground Delay Program (GDP)

Hour Local	0600	0700	0800	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200

BNE Ground Delay Program (GDP)

Hour Local	0600	0700	0800	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200