

# **Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority Nashville International Airport EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN**

The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan for Nashville International Airport pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to the Senior Vice President of Operations, Maintenance and Public Safety. The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because 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, Nashville International Airport will:

- Support the deplanement of passengers;
- Support the sharing of facilities to include making gates available;
- Provide a sterile area for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs & Border Protection (CBP)

To initiate this plan all air carrier operators must first contact the Airport Authority's Airport Operations office at 615-275-1612 prior to diverting flights to Nashville International Airport, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. The Nashville International Airport has facility constraints that limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights while continuing to ensure safe flight and ground operations. Specific facility constraints include the following: (1) a limited number of unassigned gates; (2) a limited number of remote aircraft parking positions; (3) limited ground support equipment; and (4) limited transportation options for remote parking.

## **Airport Information**

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Airport Category: Large Hub ☐ Medium Hub ☒ Small Hub ☐ Non Hub ☐

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## **MNAA support for the Deplanement of Passengers**

Based on the above mentioned limitations MNAA will; (1) identify unassigned gates; (2) identify remote aircraft parking positions; (3) maintain an inventory of available ground support equipment; and (4) assist air carrier with transportation from remote parking. Nashville International Airport does not own or operate any of the ground service equipment needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. Furthermore, airport personnel are not trained to operate any of the ground service equipment owned and operated by air carriers or contract service providers. The airport does require each airline, ground handler and FBO to provide an inventory of available ground support equipment on an annual basis.

## **MNAA support for the Sharing of Facilities**

Three gates at Nashville International Airport are unassigned and are controlled by the Airport Authority. Additionally, forty-one gates at Nashville International Airport are under exclusive long-term leases to air carriers and are not fully controlled by the Airport Authority. If additional gates are needed, we will direct tenant air carriers to make exclusive use gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate, during those time periods when the tenant airline is not using, or not scheduled to use, the gate, to the maximum extent practicable.

## **MNAA Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection**

Nashville International Airport has an International Arrivals Building capable of accommodating a limited number of international passengers. MNAA will coordinate with local United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared CBP to be deplaned in the sterile area to the extent practicable.

## **Public Access to the Emergency Contingency Plan**

The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority will provide public access to its emergency contingency plan through the Airport Authority's airport website <http://www.flynashville.com>.

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