

## Local Rule #2 at Zurich Airport

Procedure of urgent or time critical operation for Zurich based carriers

### Introduction

There are some operations that by their nature are urgent and time critical. All such flights still require a slot allocated in advance by the coordinator. To accommodate these types of operation the coordinator may 'overbook' the normal coordination parameters having taken into account the congestion likely to occur and the overall capacity situation.

### Slot allocation for recovery flights

- Departures to continue a planned commercial service with passengers aboard on the same day following a diversion.
- Positioning flights to replace an unserviceable aircraft or other unforeseeable schedule disruption (e.g. severe weather, strike outside the air carriers responsibility) and resume a planned commercial passenger service, limited to the following circumstances:
  - Inbound positioning of a Zurich based carrier to recover a planned departure service at Zurich.
  - Outbound positioning to recover a Zurich based air carrier's own service.
  - The return of a Zurich based recovery aircraft to resume planned operations.

Overbooking will not be considered in circumstances such as:

- Outbound positioning to recover another air carrier's service, e.g. sub-charter.
- Positioning to replace an aircraft undergoing planned maintenance, including instances of a maintenance overrun.
- Any planned positioning of an aircraft.
- Landing between 0400-0425UTC (0500-0525UTC during winter timetable).

In case of suspected abuse the coordinator will contact the air carrier concerned for clarification. If the explanation provided is inadequate, unacceptable or not forthcoming the coordinator may suspend the operator from this procedure. In case of disagreement the air carrier or the coordinator may request mediation by the Slot Coordination Committee Zurich.

### Definition of Zurich based air carrier:

A Zurich based air carrier is defined as a carrier with aircraft and crew contractually based at Zurich airport.

As of May 2018 carriers meeting this definition are:

Edelweiss Air  
Germania Flug AG  
Helvetic Airways  
Swiss International Air Lines

### Review of procedure

These procedures shall be reviewed, and amended where necessary, after 12 months.