



**2100 Terminal Drive
Florence, SC 29501**

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TARMAC DELAY CONTINGENCY PLAN

Florence Regional Airport has prepared this Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Connie Anderson Airport Director at, canderson@flyflo.us. Florence Regional Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because it is a commercial airport.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, Florence Regional Airport will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers.
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers. (Florence Regional Airport is not an international airport therefore there will be no Customs issues.)

Florence Regional Airport is a Category IV airport which has facility constraints that limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights exceeding fifty passengers or maintain the airport's safe operation and strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact the airport at 843-669-5001 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. Specific facility constraints include the following:

Hours of operation, facility size, ATC operations, ARFF operations, FBO-fuel limits, food and restroom facilities, terminal capacity.

During diversion events Florence Regional Airport will issue NOTAMs regarding its ability to accommodate diverted flights to ensure the safe and efficient operation of the airport and its ability to serve the civil aviation needs of the public during irregular operations events.

Airport Information

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

Contact Information

In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact Airport Public Safety at 843.519.0591 or publicsafety@flyflo.us for assistance.

Plan to Provide for the Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

Florence Regional Airport has limited equipment and personnel needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. We will utilize this equipment to deplane passengers as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines at the contact number listed above. We will also provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed base operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

Plan to Provide for the Sharing of Facilities and Make Gates Available in an Emergency

The gates at Florence Regional Airport are under common use gate leases, permits, or agreements to air carriers and are controlled by the airport. We direct our common use air carriers' users to make gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate, to the maximum extent practicable.

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

Florence Regional Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities. We will coordinate with the nearest CBP and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. Once these efforts are complete, we will coordinate with CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into these sterile areas to the extent practicable.

Public Access to the Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan

Florence Regional Airport will provide public access to its Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan by having a copy located at the Department of Public Safety. The Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan will be available to the public on the airport's website as well.