

KILLEEN-FORT HOOD REGIONAL AIRPORT EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN

The Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport (Airport) has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Mike Wilson, Airport Operations Manager at 254-501-8704 or by e-mail at mwilson@killeentexas.gov . The Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport, and/or (2) 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, the Airport will:

1. Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
2. Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport;
3. Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

The Airport has certain facility and equipment constraints that limit its ability to accommodate diverted flights and strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact the Airport Operations Center at 254-501-8750 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. Constraints include the following:

1. A total of six (6) passenger boarding bridges. Four (4) bridges can accommodate up to B737 and MD-80 aircraft; two (2) bridges which accommodate up to B757 aircraft. Coordination would be needed with the military on site for any deplanement of aircraft larger than a B757.
2. Two sets of portable air stairs which will accommodate up to a B737 aircraft.
3. Ramp space to park six (6) to eight (8) B737, A320 or MD-80 aircraft or up to 15 regional jets and be able to accommodate regularly scheduled flights.
4. Limited jet fuel storage capacity; at maximum capacity, approximately 58,000 gallons available.
5. No international passenger processing capability.

During diversion events, the Airport will remain in contact with the North Texas IROPS Hotline as well as the DFW and Houston Operations Centers to ensure real-time reporting of aircraft and Airport status.

AIRPORT INFORMATION

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The Airport operates a 24 hour, 7 day a week operations center. In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact the Airport Operations Center at 254-501-8750 or VHF freq 122.825 (call sign Killeen Radio) for assistance.

PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPLANEMENT OF PASSENGERS FOLLOWING EXCESSIVE TARMAC DELAYS

The Airport has equipment and personnel available to safely and securely deplane passengers from air carrier's aircraft. The Airport will utilize this equipment to deplane passengers as soon as practical after receiving requests from such airlines. The Airport will also provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, 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.

PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE SHARING OF FACILITIES AND MAKE GATES AVAILABLE IN AN EMERGENCY

All gates at the Airport are owned by and are under the control of the Airport. A common use passenger processing system allows scheduled or unscheduled air carriers to use any gates. This gives the Airport the flexibility to accommodate diverted air carriers seeking to deplane passengers to the maximum extent practical.

PLAN TO PROVIDE A STERILE AREA FOR PASSENGERS WHO HAVE NOT CLEARED UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP)

The Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities, however the Airport has contacted the CBP Port Director in Austin, Texas and discussed temporary sterile area requirements. The Airport can accommodate 250 international passengers in the secured sterile area until such time that they are allowed to reboard the aircraft or a CBP customs team arrives to provide clearance services.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN

The Airport will provide public access to its emergency contingency plan by:

1. Posting on the Airport website.
2. Providing notice of the plan on the Airport's social media accounts.