

WINDSOR FIELD AIRPORT RULES

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Short title.

1. These Rules may be cited as the Windsor Field Airport Rules.

Purpose.

2. The purpose of these Rules is to provide for the safety of life and property on the Windsor Field Airport and to provide for the protection of public and private property within the boundaries of the airport and for the general administration of the airport.

Interpretation.

3. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires-

"airport" means the Windsor Field Airport, New Providence under the control of the Minister;

"authority" means the Minister or a person duly appointed by him;

"Minister" means the Minister appointed under section 3 of the Civil Aviation Act, or any public officer authorised by him to discharge any of the functions of the Minister under the provisions of these Rules.

Application of Rules.

4. (1) These Rules shall apply to all persons on any part of the airport.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to enter upon any restricted area of the airport except with the written permission of the Minister or his duly authorised representative. Restricted areas of the airport are those areas so designated by notice boards erected by authority.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person to enter any area set aside for the use of The Bahamas Government, private offices in the terminal building, the landing field, runways, taxiways, apron areas or the loading aprons of the airport, except-

- (a) persons assigned to duty or having official business therein and wearing identification badges of such type as may be approved by the authority;
- (b) passengers under appropriate supervision crossing the apron area when entering or leaving aircraft; and
- (c) persons authorised by the Minister and being in possession of a pass issued by the Minister or by his authorised agent:

Provided that any such pass must be endorsed by the Comptroller of Customs in order to authorise the holder to enter any such area for the purpose of meeting an aircraft arriving from

outside The Bahamas or any person aboard any such aircraft.

(4) No person shall be permitted upon aircraft or upon taxiways or runways or any portion of the airport contained therein, except with the authorisation of the Minister and subject to prior clearance from the Airport Control Tower.

(5) Aircraft operators or their agents are responsible for the supervision of the loading of their passengers and freight and they must ensure that customs and immigration requirements are strictly complied with. They must also request passengers not to smoke when on the ramp.

(6) No person shall enter the covered area immediately north of the customs inspection room during the time passengers are leaving or are about to leave that part of the building, except such passengers and any other persons who may be authorised in writing by the Minister. No person shall obstruct passengers leaving the customs inspection room by standing in or near any of the three exit doors.

Aircraft parking on apron.

5. (1) Aircraft on the apron area shall be loaded or unloaded as soon as practicable, and in no case shall occupy space on the apron longer than one hour, except by permission from the Minister or his authorised representative.

(2) No person shall park any aircraft in any area on the airport other than that prescribed by the Minister or his authorised representative.

Disabled aircraft.

6. (1) Aircraft operators or their agents and the respective pilots thereof shall be responsible for the prompt disposal of disabled aircraft.

(2) When a disabled aircraft is blocking any portion of the movement area on the airport, the pilots or other persons responsible for the aircraft shall make immediate arrangements to have the aircraft moved. In the event the aircraft is not moved as soon as is reasonably possible, the Minister may initiate action to have the aircraft moved at the expense of the owner.

Aircraft arrivals.

7. The pilot in command of an aircraft landing at the airport must file an arrival report with Air Traffic Control unless authorised not to do so by the Minister.

Departing aircraft.

8. The Minister or his authorised representative may delay or restrict any flight at the airport and may refuse take-off clearance to any aircraft for any justifiable reason.

Radio equipped.

9. No aircraft shall be operated on the airport unless it is equipped with radio equipment capable both of transmitting and receiving messages.

Repairs to aircraft.

10. No aircraft, aircraft engines and propellers shall be repaired at the parking gates which

are used for loading and off-loading passengers. Repairs may take place only in areas specified by the Minister.

Taxing rules for aircraft.

11. (1) No person shall taxi or tow an aircraft to or from the hangar, or to or from an approved parking area unless he has been authorised to do so by the Airport Control Tower.

(2) No aircraft shall be taxied except at a safe and reasonable speed.

(3) No person shall start or run any engine in an aircraft unless a competent person is in the aircraft attending the engine controls.

(4) Aircraft engines may be warmed up only in places approved for such purposes by the Minister. Test runs by an aircraft on an engine at any time are forbidden except in an area approved by the Minister.

Soliciting or carrying on business.

12. (1) No person shall solicit business for any purpose on the airport without the permission of the Minister.

(2) No person shall engage in any business activity on the airport except with the written permission of the Minister, and under such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by him.

Taxi-cabs and other vehicles.

13. (1) No person shall, within the boundary of the airport, solicit or invite or attempt to solicit or invite, or induce persons to ride in any taxi-cabs, or any other vehicle used for the purpose of carrying passengers or baggage or both for hire.

(2) No person shall operate any taxi-cab or other vehicle carrying passengers, baggage or both for hire from the airport unless that person is the holder of a permit issued by the Minister.

(3) No vehicle owned by or operated by or on behalf of an hotel or club or any establishment providing accommodation for guests shall be used for the purpose of picking up or setting down passengers at the airport unless the owners or operators of the vehicle, first obtain the written permission of the Minister.

(4) No person shall use a vehicle for the purpose of delivering food, beverages or any other consumable items for sale on the airport unless that person is the holder of a permit issued by the Minister. Sale of food or beverages on the airport is forbidden except by the holder of a permit issued by the Minister.

(5) No person shall drive any vehicle on the ramp or airport marshalling area without a written permit issued by the Minister. No vehicle shall be driven on the aircraft taxiways or runways without prior clearance from the Airport Control Tower and such vehicles must be equipped with functioning two-way radio.

(6) All vehicles used on the aircraft parking ramps shall be fitted with flame arresters.

(7) No vehicle shall be driven in excess of fifteen miles per hour on the ramp or aircraft

parking area.

Parking.

14. (1) No person shall park a motor vehicle on the airport other than in the areas provided for parking. Loading and unloading shall take place only in the areas designated for those purposes.

(2) Drivers of taxi-cabs waiting in line shall be responsible for moving such vehicles if required to do so by authority and shall be available at all times when the taxi-cabs for which they are responsible are required for service.

(3) Drivers of all vehicles within the airport boundary shall obey the instructions of the airport police.

(4) No person shall abandon or park for more than seven days at a time any motor vehicle on the airport. Any vehicle which has been abandoned on the airport may be moved by authority at the expense of the owner.

(5) All mobile ramp equipment such as baggage trucks, tugs, airconditioning units, service trucks and power units shall be parked in a neat and orderly fashion at such places as are designated by the Minister.

Accident reports.

15. Any person involved in an accident on the airport shall make a full report to the airport police as soon as possible after the accident has occurred.

Repairs of motor vehicles.

16. No person shall clean or make any repairs to motor vehicles on the roadways or in the parking areas of the airport except such minor repairs as are necessary to permit removal of such motor vehicles from the airport or except as authorised by the Minister.

Rental cars.

17. No person shall solicit rental car business or transact rental car business on the airport unless he has been authorised in writing to do so by the Minister. This rule shall not be construed so as to prevent delivery of rental cars for arriving passengers previously reserved by the customer. Evidence as to such prior reservation may be requested by a member of the airport police or by an authorised representative of the Minister.

Preservation of property.

18. (1) No person shall disturb, tamper with or attempt to destroy, injure or deface any building, sign, equipment, fixture, mark or any other structure, trees, flowers, shrubs or other vegetation on the airport.

(2) No person shall trespass on lawn or seeded areas.

Sanitation.

19. (1) No person shall dispose of garbage, paper, trash, refuse or other material on the

airport except in the area designated by the Minister.

(2) All rubbish removed from aircraft must be placed in receptacles provided. Ground equipment is to be removed from the ramps after use, and stowed neatly in the space allocated for this purpose by the Minister.

(3) The ramp and aircraft marshalling area are to be kept clean and tidy; any oil, grease or rubbish deposited upon the ground shall be removed and the area cleaned by the person responsible for having made such deposit.

Gambling.

20. No person shall engage in or conduct gambling in any form, or operate gambling devices anywhere within the airport boundary.

Fire precautions.

21. No person shall conduct any open flame operations within the airport boundary unless so authorised by the Minister. No person shall interfere in any way with airport fire appliances or equipment. Airport fire regulations are to be strictly observed by all persons employed upon the airport or utilising airport facilities.

Smoking.

22. No smoking shall be permitted on the ramps or aircraft marshalling area, or at any place on the airport within two hundred feet of any aircraft.

Conduct.

23. No person shall swear, use obscene language, commit any nuisance or be guilty of offensive behaviour or disorderly conduct within the airport boundary.

Advertising.

24. No person shall post, distribute or display any signs, advertisements, circulars, or printed or written matters at the airport except with the approval of the Minister and under such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Minister.

Penalty.

25. Any person contravening any of the provisions of these Rules, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding seventy five dollars.