

## Statement of Dublin Airport 2022 Final Price Cap

### 2022 Final Price Cap Statement

In the 2021 Decision on an Interim Review of the 2019 Determination in relation to 2022 (CP3/2021)<sup>1</sup> we amended the 2022 per passenger price cap decision so that no adjustments would be made in future years in relation to 2022. This meant that no clawback of remuneration of unspent Capital Expenditure (Capex) allowances would occur, nor would adjustments be made in relation to the Operating Expenditure (Opex) passthrough or Commercial Revenues rolling schemes mechanism.

We also made the decision to partially reintroduce quality of service (QoS) revenue adjustments, with the maximum potential rebate set to €0.11 per passenger. That is, the price cap could be reduced by up to €0.11 if Dublin Airport did not meet the prescribed service quality standards.

The real price cap for 2022 was provisionally €7.75 per passenger in February 2019 prices, which translated to a nominal price cap of €8.11.

Dublin Airport did not meet the QoS standards in relation to security queue times on numerous days in 2022. For quarter 1 of 2022, the Commission accepted the existence of extenuating circumstances relating to the effects of the Omicron variant of COVID-19 on the sickness absence rate in the Airport Search Unit.<sup>2</sup> However, the number of days on which the standards were not met in quarters 2 and 3 of 2022, without extenuating circumstances, was still sufficient to generate the maximum rebate possible in relation to 2022. Thus, the price cap for 2022 is reduced by €0.11. Given passenger numbers for the year of 28.1m, this translates to a revenue reduction of approximately €3.1m.

The final price cap for 2022 is therefore €8.00.

#### Arriving at the Final 2022 Price Cap

Base Price	€7.75
CPI Adjustment	+€0.36
QoS Rebate	-€0.11
<b>2022 Price Cap</b>	<b>=€8.00</b>

Source: CAR Calculations

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.aviationreg.ie/fileupload/Final%20Decision\(1\).pdf](https://www.aviationreg.ie/fileupload/Final%20Decision(1).pdf)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.aviationreg.ie/fileupload/note%20QoS%20penalties%202022.pdf>