

Adrian Corcoran
Director of Economic Regulation
Commission for Aviation Regulation
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Earlsfort Terrace
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6th July 2020

Re: Coordination Parameters for Summer 21 and Covid-19 Local Rule

Dear Adrian,

The Commission for Aviation Regulation, by virtue of Section 8(1) of the Aviation Regulation Act, 2001, is the competent authority in Ireland for the purposes of Council Regulation (EEC) No.95/93 (as amended) on common rules for the allocation of slots at Community Airports other than the function of the coordinator. Article 6 of the Slot Regulations states that, at a coordinated airport, the member state responsible shall ensure the determination of the parameters for slot allocation twice yearly, while taking account of all relevant technical, operational and environmental constraints as well as any changes thereto.

Article 5 of the Slot Regulation sets out the tasks of the Coordination Committee which include making proposals concerning or advising the member state on:

- the possibilities for increasing the capacity of the airport determined in accordance with Article 3 or for improving its usage;
- the coordination parameters to be determined in accordance with Article 6;
- all questions relating to the capacity of the airport.

Dublin Airport issued the following pieces of information to its Coordination Committee members in July 2020:

- Terminal modelling results showing the impacts of two metre social distancing;
- COVID-19 local rule as proposed by ACL;
- Summer 2021 capacity proposal.

A Coordination Committee Extraordinary General Meeting took place on Thursday 2nd July via Microsoft Teams due to COVID-19 to discuss the implementation of the COVID-19 local rule and Summer 2021 Coordination Parameters.

Dublin Airport proposed a COVID-19 local rule as drafted by ACL, which sets out the process for managing periods of reduced capacity as a result of measures implemented by the Government to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

The breakdown of voting results are available in Appendix 1, with 90% in favour and 10% against. Stobart Air were the only member of the Coordination Committee that voted against the local rule.

Therefore, the Coordination Committee's formal advice to the Commission is to adopt this local rule for use in circumstances where capacity has been impacted by COVID-19.

Dublin Airport also proposed to keep the Summer 2020 limits for the Summer 2021 Coordination Parameters. The reason for this is due to:

- 1) Current uncertainty surrounding the aviation market and the speed of recovery following Covid-19;
- 2) No significant capacity infrastructure delivered for Summer 2021;
- 3) Uncertainty surrounding schedule of airfield works for Summer 2021.

The breakdown of voting results are available in Appendix 2, with 98.4% of attendees voting in favour of rolling over the Summer 2020 limits, nobody voting against, and 1.6% abstaining (TUI was the only member that abstained).

Therefore, the Coordination Committee's formal advice to the Commission is to roll forward Summer 2020 declared coordination parameters to Summer 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information to facilitate the decision-making process for the Summer 2021 Capacity Declaration and/or the COVID-19 Local Rule.

Yours Sincerely,

Eoin McGloughlin, Dublin Airport

Appendix 1: COVID-19 Local Rule Voting Results

Company	In favour of adopting the local rule	Vote		
		Yes	No	Abstain
daa	Yes	40		
IAA	Yes	20		
Aer Lingus	Yes	311		
Air France	Yes	23		
BA City Flyer	Yes	25		
British Airways	Yes	34		
CityJet	Yes	11		
Lufthansa	Yes	31		
Ryanair	Yes	388		
Stobart Air	No		100	
TUI	Yes	16		
Total		900	100	0

* Note that calculation for number of votes are based off number of actual movements from 2019

Appendix 2: Summer 2021 Coordination Parameters Voting Results

Company	In favour of adopting the local rule	Vote		
		Yes	No	Abstain
daa	Yes	40		
IAA	Yes	20		
Aer Lingus	Yes	311		
Air France	Yes	23		
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Ryanair	Yes	388		
Stobart Air	Yes	100		
TUI	Abstain			16
Total		984	0	16

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