

Working Procedure Slot Allocation S25 AMS NATO Summit

Discipline: Slot Allocation
Airports: Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS)
Seasons: IATA season Northern Summer 2025 (S25)
Applicable days/hours: 21 June 2025 21:00 UTC – 27 June 2025 08:59 UTC
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Basis

The basis for this working procedure is the Best practice paper Temporary capacity reduction of the World Airport Slot Board (17 July 2020).

Introduction

Airport Coordination Netherlands (ACNL) has received from Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS) an addendum to the capacity declaration S25 due to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) Summit (published at www.slotcoordination.nl).

For the period 21 June 2025 21:00 UTC - 27 June 2025 08:59 UTC runway capacity will be amended. The core is that the 2+1/1+2 runway modus which is commonly used to accommodate the banks is largely flatten out.

As a result, not all allocated slots can be operated in this period. Mandatory reductions are required.

Process

- Three rounds are conducted to reach a solution (a calendar is included below):

Round 1:

ACNL will issue a preliminary task per airline. Airlines are requested to contribute to the exceedance with an own proposal that could also go beyond the individual task.

Round 2:

Based on the results of the first round, ACNL will publish a mandatory task per airline. In this round, airlines holding a maximum of 4 slot pairs on a daily basis will not be affected (pareto principle). This will keep operations stable for around 65 airlines and their handlers. It could be, in a few cases, that individual airlines are contacted by ACNL for a short retiming in order to contribute to feasible schedules for affected colleague airlines.

Round 3:

If the impact of mandatory reductions cannot be mitigated sufficiently, another round with mandatory tasks including more airlines will follow.

- The impact of the mandatory reductions is distributed proportionally as much as possible based on a holistic approach.
- Exceedance of a bracket is solved on a case-by-case basis. In adjacent brackets retimings/cancellations can be suggested by ACNL in order to make room for retimings (mitigating impact).
- ACNL will notify the airlines concerned regarding any flights to be cancelled or rescheduled. Subsequently the airlines present ACNL a plan which is then assessed for its contribution to the solution. A group of airlines may present a joint proposal. Rescheduling of directly affected flights (rotational consequences included) may also take place into the night curfew. Retimings are being considered non-historic. Processing of the changes takes place after Historic Baseline Date (HBD) in order to keep the baseline for the Slot Historic List message (SHL) clean.
- Justified Non-Use of Slots (JNUS) applies for the required reductions. A recovery period of 12 hours (until 20.59 UTC on 27 June 2025) and further rotational consequences are included. Slot coordinators at the other end of the route will be informed by ACNL and be asked to grant JNUS as well.
- Slot requests for General Aviation for the period of the amended capacity will be processed not before the reallocation of commercial aviation is completed.

Calendar of activities (based on HBD as reference)

Round 1:

Preliminary task to airlines send by ACNL (courtesy)	Latest Wednesday 15 January 2025
Deadline first preliminary round	Latest Wednesday 22 January 2025

Round 2:

Mandatory task for airlines send by ACNL	Latest Friday 7 February 2025
Airlines' responses send to ACNL	Latest Wednesday 19 February 2025
ACNL's confirmation (possibly after dialogue)	Latest Monday 3 March 2025
Airlines send SCRs to ACNL	Latest Monday 10 March 2025

Round 3:

If applicable another mandatory task round	First half of March
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Final provisions

This working procedure has been drafted by ACNL based on the information available at the date of publication. ACNL may review and amend this working procedure.

ACNL advises all airlines to visit www.slotcoordination.nl for latest news and updates on slot allocation and slot monitoring. Airlines can subscribe to ACNL's news through this website.

Revision log

Version	Date	Changes w.r.t to previous version
V1.0	24 December 2024	First publication