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McCarran's off-site baggage program adds airlines

Outbound travelers flying Delta and US Airways can now check baggage at four Southern Nevada locations thanks to McCarran's Airport SpeedCheck Advance

LAS VEGAS – Delta Air Lines and US Airways are now offering local travelers the convenient option of checking their baggage off-airport up to several hours in advance of their flight's scheduled departure.

Since May 2006, McCarran International Airport has offered off-site baggage check-in through its innovative Airport SpeedCheck Advance program. Over the following 19 months, nearly 15,000 customers checked approximately 30,000 items at The Venetian, Las Vegas Convention Center, Luxor and McCarran Rent-A-Car Center.

For a small fee, travelers flying on participating airlines can check in for their flights at any of four offairport locations. Representatives of Bags To Go transport pre-checked bags to McCarran, where items are screened by the Transportation Security Administration and later loaded onto the proper outbound aircraft. Customers are free to enjoy their last hours in Southern Nevada without worrying about where to store their possessions. And when they arrive at McCarran before flying away, travelers can bypass the skycaps and ticketing counters and head directly to their gate.

"These two carriers' commitment to off-site check-in is another significant step in the evolution of Airport SpeedCheck Advance," said Randall H. Walker, director of the Clark County Department of Aviation. "Delta and US Airways customers will enjoy new convenience and customer service, just as those flying on Southwest and United have already done. We look forward to enrolling additional airlines in our off-site baggage program in the weeks and months to come."

US Airways is the second-busiest carrier at McCarran with nearly 120 scheduled daily departures to 36 destinations including Phoenix, Los Angeles and Philadelphia. Delta is the airport's fourth-busiest carrier with more than 25 scheduled daily departures to eight destinations, including its Atlanta hub.

Two-thirds of McCarran customers now travel on one of the four carriers participating in Airport SpeedCheck Advance, with more airlines scheduled to enroll soon. McCarran leaders hope that 10 percent of all outbound baggage will eventually be checked at off-airport locations.

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