

MCO Guests,

Flight Reductions

The U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Aviation Administration have issued an emergency order to limit the number of flights in the National Airspace System (NAS) at 40 U.S. airports, including Orlando International Airport. The order is in response to the ongoing federal government shutdown.

This action is expected to result in fewer arrivals and departures, slowing the rate of activity in the National Airspace System and assisting airports that have staffing challenges. Ultimately, the emergency order maintains the highest level of safety.

The reduction in flights is likely to impact you as a passenger, unfortunately, and we ask our passengers to check directly with their airlines regarding delays and cancellations.

Passengers may also download the Orlando MCO app to track wait times at security checkpoints and visit websites like the [National Airspace System Status](#) to keep current on national airport events. The [MyTSA](#) app may also be a resource.

Orlando International Airport will be fully staffed to assist passengers as much as possible during this time. Thank you.

Government Shutdown

A federal government shutdown is in effect.

The Greater Orlando Aviation Authority has developed contingency plans should there be a dramatic decrease in the number of TSA agents processing passengers. We are in conversations with local TSA, CBP, and FAA agencies and hope there will be a resolution soon.

Air travel is an essential part of the tourism sector, which helps to fuel our region; and we remain committed to the best in traveler safety and security.

During this time, we encourage passengers to use the FlyMCO website or Orlando MCO app to stay current about airport operations.

Federal partners have contingency plans in place. To learn more about those plans from our federal partners, visit the following:

- FAA: [DOT Operations during a Lapse in Annual Appropriations Plans by Operating Administration | US Department of Transportation](#)
- DHS: [Lapse in Funding for DHS | Homeland Security](#)

To contact an aviation-related federal agency, please use the information below:

- Transportation Security Administration (TSA): www.tsa.gov/contact | (866) 289-9673
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP): www.cbp.gov/contact | (877) 227-5511
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA): www.faa.gov | (866) 835-5322
- Department of State (Passports & Visas): travel.state.gov | (877) 487-2778

