

How to avoid delays into Greece - new procedures

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Following on from the privatisation of Greek Airports this summer (see our article from earlier in June – Summer of Pain), there are new procedures for Greek Slots.

With delays super high into some of the smaller islands, especially at weekends, attention to the correct slot procedure is pretty important.

The slot you'll get from the HSCA is valid +/- 30 mins. If you go outside that, then you'll get a flight suspension message from Eurocontrol that looks like this.

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FLIGHT PLAN SUSPENSION  
ACCORDING TO YOUR FLIGHT PLAN  
IFPLID 01020304  
ARCID N765AC  
ARCTYP C56X  
EOBD 160201  
EOBT 1945  
ADEP LOWI  
ADES LGMK  
ELDT 2050  
NO CORRESPONDING AIRPORT SLOT WAS RECOGNISED
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To get a new slot, or the initial one, the official process is this:

1. Go to www.online-coordination.com, check for avail times
2. Pick a handler, and ask them to apply for it – use www.hsca.gr to find a handler.
3. Refile the FPL with the Slot ID

If you have any issues, you can call H24 this number in Greece re. slots: +30 210 997 2656. And, we think, this email should also work: slot-hsca@athensairport.gr

References

- For the full rundown on Coordinated Airports and the Greek Slot process, check this document - GABA Slot Allocation 2017.
- See also: (June 1st, 2017) **Greek Summer Ops - Prepare for Pain**