



AIRSIDE SAFETY ALERT

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Subject	UNAUTHORISED AIRCRAFT VACATING VIA TAXIWAY FOXTROT		

An Airside Safety Alert (ASA) will be issued to communicate immediate safety concerns relating to operations, equipment or environment, and to highlight negative safety trends. It is the responsibility of all employers to ensure that relevant ASAs are brought to the attention of their staff.

1. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this safety alert is to advise of actions to be taken if an unauthorised aircraft attempts to vacate the runway via Taxiway Foxtrot after landing runway 27.

2. SCOPE

This instruction is relevant to Airside Operations and NATS Air Traffic Control teams.

3. INSTRUCTIONS

Taxiway Foxtrot is not available to most airliners, including the Embraer E170/190 series, A319/A320/A321 and B737, due to insufficient clearance from the outer main gear to the taxiway edge.

If any of these aircraft types are observed vacating runway 27 onto Taxiway Foxtrot, the following actions should be taken:

ATC

- If the aircraft has not commenced the turn onto Foxtrot, instruct the crew to taxi to the runway end to vacate via GX.
- If the pilot has commenced the turn onto Foxtrot, instruct the crew to stop and hold position – do not request engine shutdown.
- Await further instructions from Airside Operations and when ready, instruct the crew to proceed with the follow-me vehicle to stand.

Airside Operations

- If observed by Airside Operations, notify ATC of the unauthorised use of Foxtrot.
- Proceed to the aircraft via FX and assess the main gear clearance to taxiway edge.
- Marshall the aircraft if required, to ensure clearance from outer main gear to taxiway edge.
- Inform ATC when it is safe for the aircraft to resume taxi with a follow-me to stand.
- After the aircraft engines have shut down on stand, board the aircraft, and speak to the crew to educate on the correct procedure for vacating runway 27.

4. GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Enquiries should be submitted to **Airside Operations** on **01275 473705** or **07712 792235**.