

Summer Operational changes at Tel Aviv Ben Gurion (LLBG)

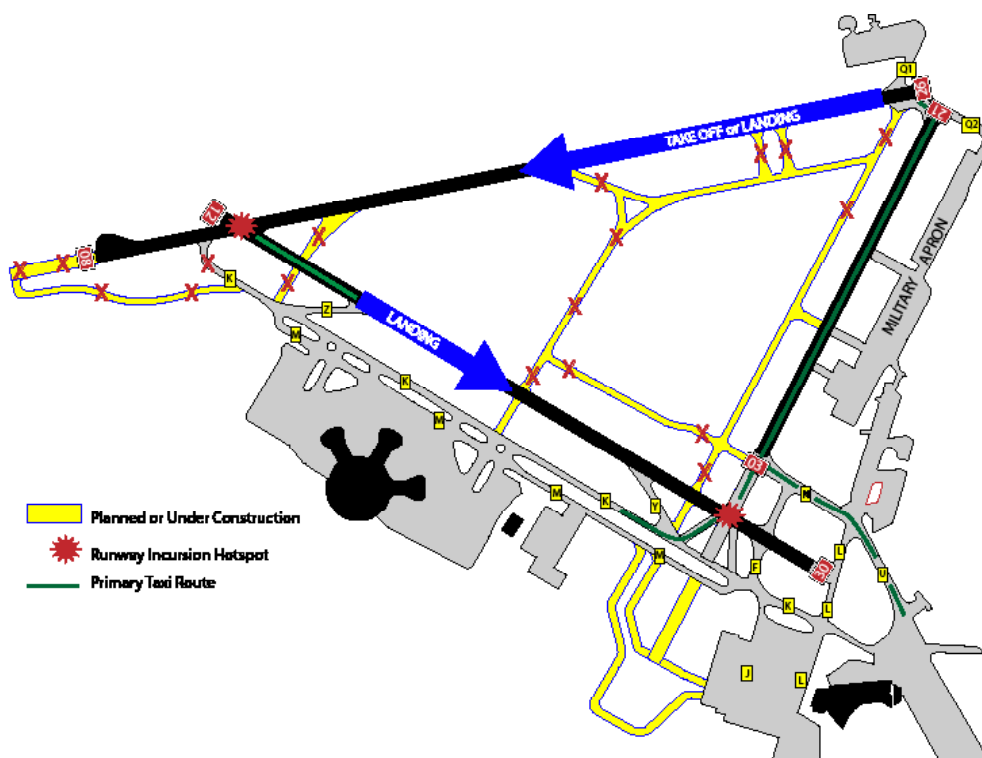
Background

Tel Aviv Ben Gurion Airport is in the midst of a major re-development programme that began last year and is expected to continue until 2014. As part of the programme of development the Airport Authority has announced a series of operational changes that will be implemented over the coming months.

Phase 1: Present to 1 June

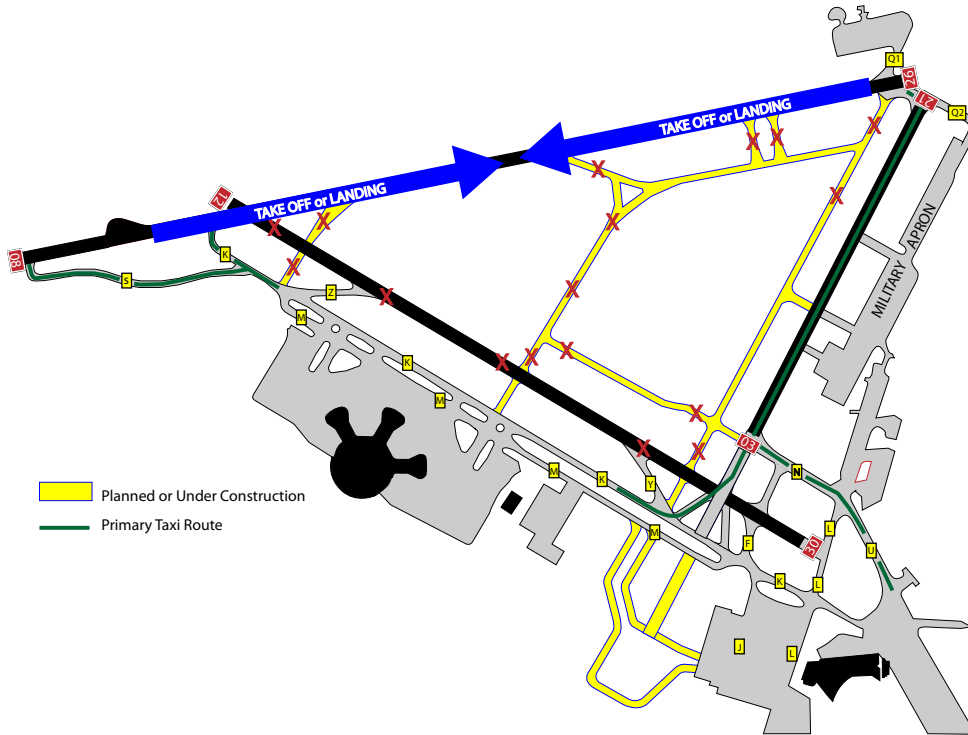
The current single runway operation using runway 12/30 will be in force (details of this operation can be found in the IFALPA Safety Bulletin 11SAB05 click [here](#) to access the document).

Phase 2: 1 June to 15 June



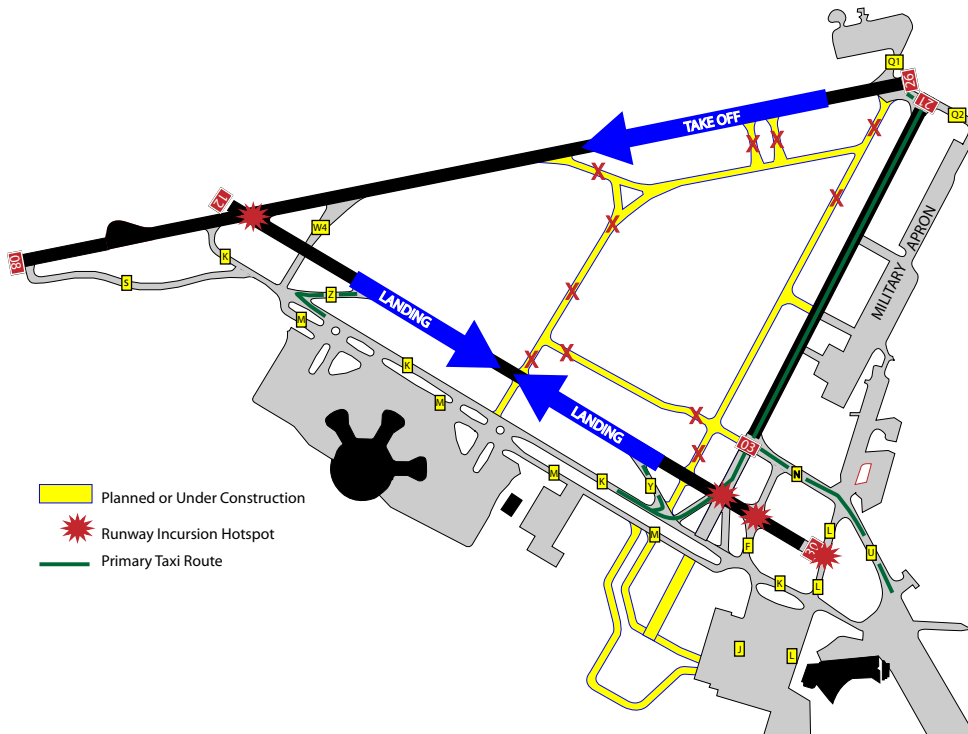
Runways 08/26 and 12/30 will be operational with 26 being used for arrivals or departures and 12 for landings only. In addition the portion of taxiway K, west of the junction with taxiways M and Z, will be closed. Crews should be aware that when 12 is used for landings while 26 is used for departures, two incursion hot spots will be created at the junction of 08/26 and 12/30, and where aircraft taxiing for departure using runway 03 cross 12. In addition, the closure of taxiway K means that aircraft landing on 26 will taxi to the aprons initially via runway 12 and may pose a collision risk to aircraft intending to land on runway 12.

 Phase 3: 15 June to 1 August

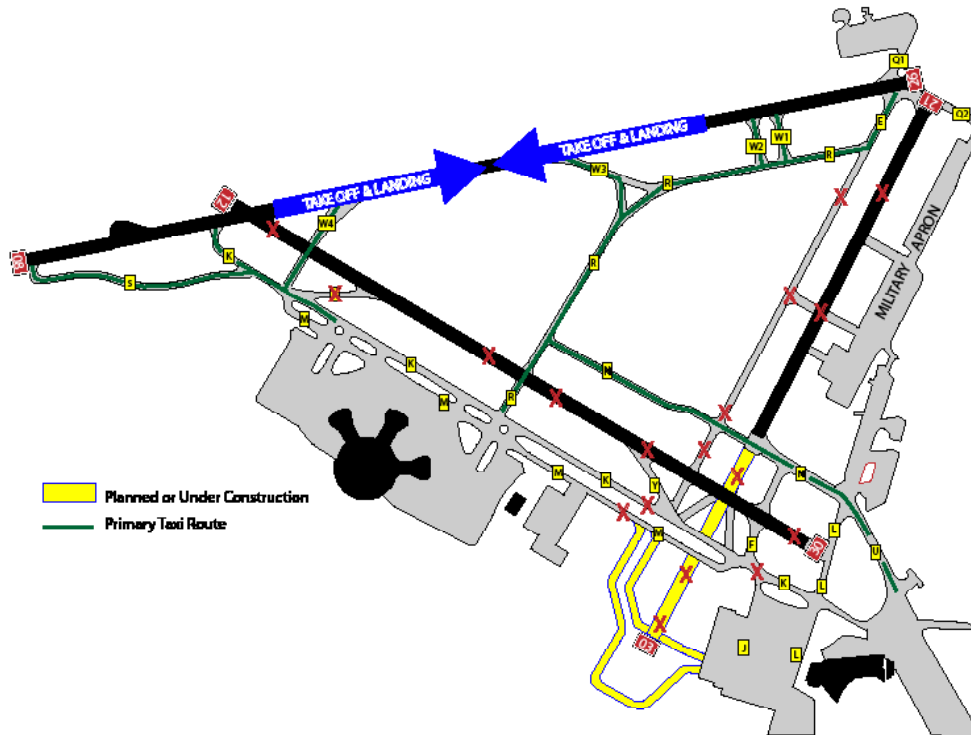


Single runway operations using runway 08/26 will be in force. Crews should note that during this period the high-speed runway exits will not be open. Aircraft landing on 08 will be expected to vacate via taxiway Q2 and onto runway 21. Aircraft landing on 26 will be expected to vacate via taxiway K or taxiway S.

 Phase 4: 1 August to 1 September






Two runway operations will be in force using runway 26 for departures and runway 12/30 for both arrivals. Taxiway S and high-speed exit W4 will be available to aircraft on 26 in the event of a rejected take off. As with phase two, this operational configuration introduces the potential for runway incursion hotspots. Notably at the junction of 26 and 12/30 as well as the junction of W4 and 12/30, the junction of 12/30 and taxiway F and where taxiway L crosses the centreline of 12/30.

 **Phase 5: 1 September onwards**


From 1 September LLBG will revert to single runway operations using runway 08/26. Access to and from the runway will be via the S/K taxiways and the new R & E taxiways which link the aprons with runway 08/26 via extension to N and the W high speed exit and link taxiways. Runways 12/30 and 03/21 will be closed until further notice while the extension to 03/21 and associated new taxiways are constructed.

IFALPA & IsraALPA recommendations:

-  Crews of aircraft operation to and from LLBG should strictly adhere to AIP and take extra care to monitor NOTAMs as these works progress.
-  Crews should brief the current phase of operation before arrival (or pushback).
-  Crews should exercise enhanced vigilance of ATC instructions while taxiing to/from the aprons.