





Phase 5 operational changes at Tel Aviv Ben Gurion (LLBG)

Background

On 18 September, Tel Aviv Ben Gurion Airport is due to enter Phase 5 of the re-development programme that began last year and is expected to continue until 2014. As part of the programme of development the Airport Authority introduced a series of operational changes that have been implemented over the summer months. Phase 5, which is due to continue for six months, will see the airport revert to single runway operations using runway 08/26. The key changes for Phase 5 are:

-  Runway 26 will be used between sunrise and sunset (dependent on wind direction & speed).
-  Runway 08 will be used between sunset and sunrise (dependent on wind direction & speed).
-  Runway 12/30 will be closed for take off and landing but may be used as a taxiway.
-  Runway 03/21 will be closed due to major construction works

Access to and from runway 08/26 will be via runway 12/30 as mentioned above as well as 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. Noise restrictions mean that the majority of departures from 26 will be from W1&2. See Figs 1 and 2

Fig 1 Runway 08 operations

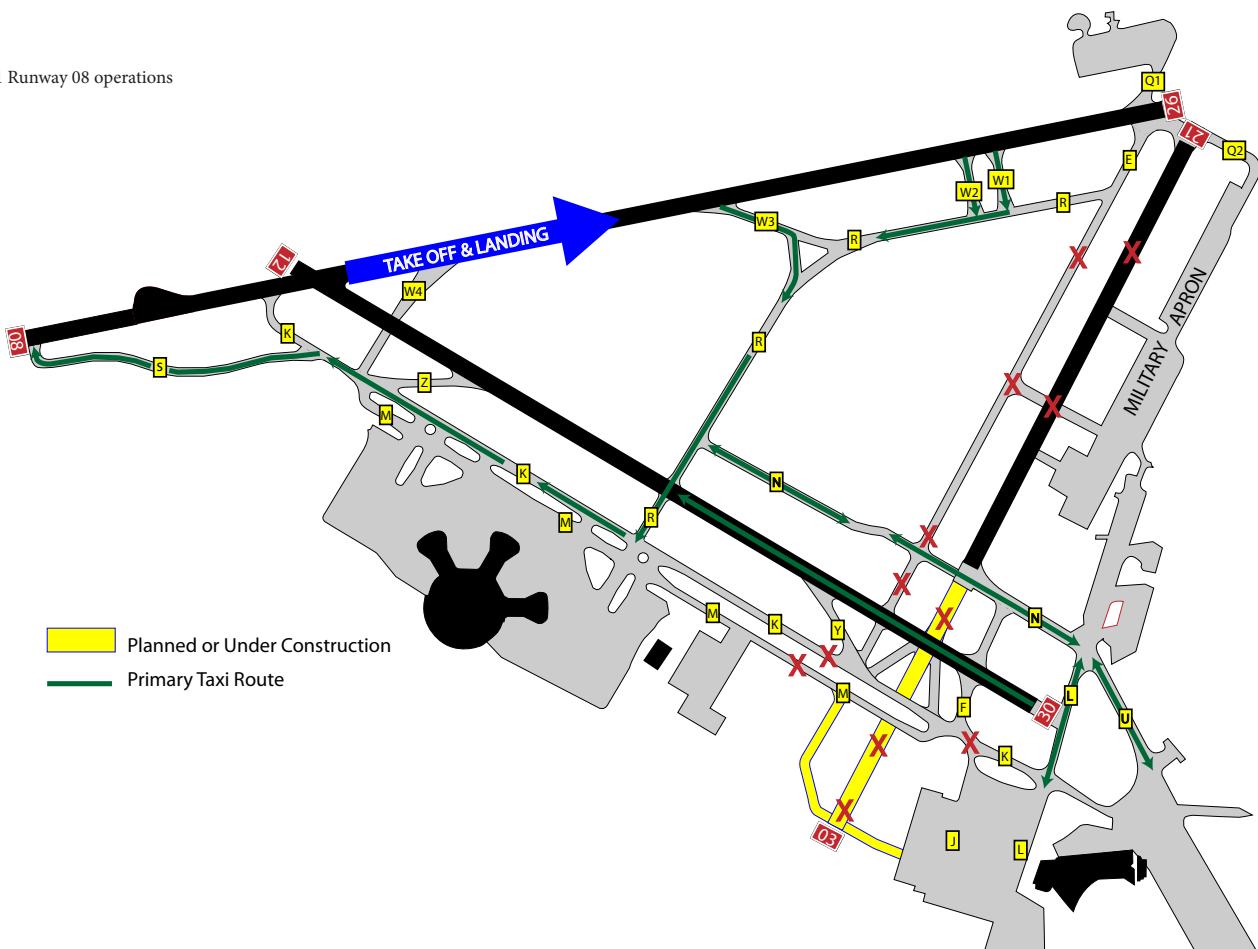
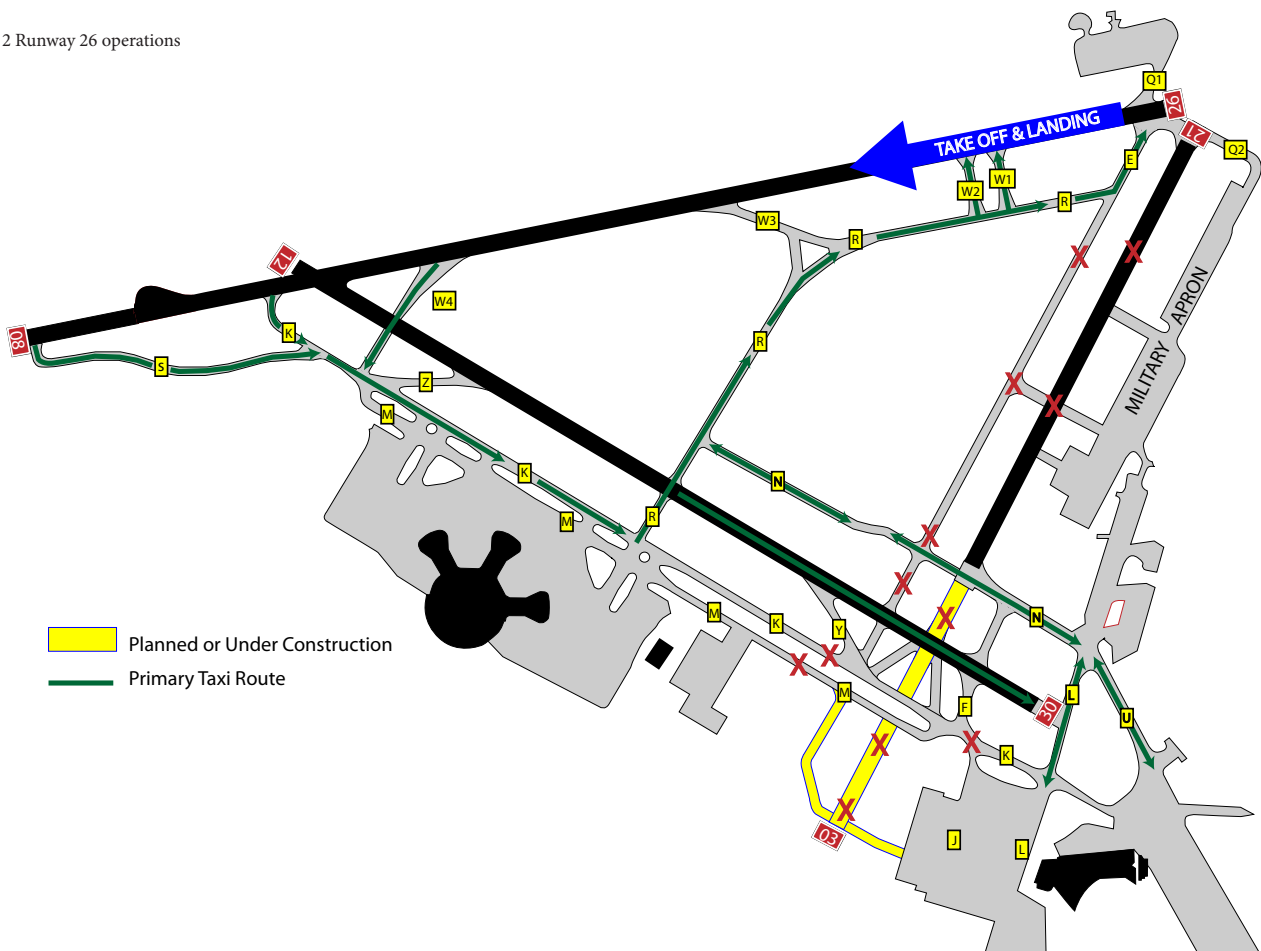


Fig 2 Runway 26 operations



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.