



STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE_OPS04

Behaviour during Thunderstorms

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OBJECTIVE

This SOP apply to the protection against accident and health hazards caused by thunderstorms during activities on the ramp.

APPLICATION

Operations department:

Turnaround Coordinator; Load Controller

Passenger Services:

Boarding/Gate Agents

ABBREVIATIONS & DEFINITIONS

N/A



PROCEDURE STEPS

| Step | Action |
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| 1. | Observe defined information and reporting channels from your airport for warnings and all-clear signals. |
| 2. | Take protective measures and rules of conduct into account when planning and preparing activities in exposed outdoor areas. |
| 3. | Inform other companies or persons (e.g. visitors, external company employees). |
| 4. | Avoid staying outdoors, seek sheltered areas such as buildings or vehicles. |
| 5. | <p><u>Outdoors:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Never be the highest point yourself!• Avoid masts, towers, cranes, antennas, measuring stations, power supply and video surveillance systems and walls; keep your distance from metal fences, lattices and other metal constructions.• Keep a distance of at least 0.5 m from other persons• Never seek cover under wings• Stand with feet closed.• Crouch down with closed feet and grasp knees with both arms (crouching)• never lie down stretched out. <p><u>When staying in vehicles:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Move to a safe area (building) as early as possible.• if this is no longer possible, stop the vehicle in a safe place (danger of glare from lightning) and stay in the vehicle.• Keep radio contact to a minimum; keep as far away as possible from antennas and cable ducts;• if thunderstorms are imminent, keep arms to body and do not touch anything (sit on hands). |
| 6. | Do not use open and closed passenger stairs on apron positions. |
| 7. | Do not use hand-held radio and mobile data equipment (mobile phone etc.) outdoors during a thunderstorm. |

REFERENCE FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE

Airport Manual (Flughafenbenutzungsordnung/FBO)