

AIRPORT'S BUSY FOURTH OF JULY TRAVEL WEEK BEGINS TOMORROW

CLT REMINDS PASSENGERS TO PLAN AHEAD

June 28, 2017 – Charlotte Douglas International Airport is anticipating a busy travel week, beginning with the upcoming Fourth of July weekend. Passengers are encouraged to plan ahead, utilize the Hourly Deck for picking up and dropping off passengers (first hour is free) and to know [CLT's parking options](#).

The Airport's total number of parking spaces at all its parking facilities grew to 30,357 this week with the addition of 475 permanent spaces to Long Term 2. An additional 1225 Long Term spaces will be completed before Thanksgiving.

Originating passenger numbers (travelers who begin their trip at CLT) have been high since the closing of schools and this weekend will be no exception. Travelers are encouraged to use alternate methods of transportation coming to and from the Airport, such as taxis, CATS Airport Sprinter and Connector, ridesharing or being dropped off by family or friends.

As a reminder, towing is strictly enforced for all illegally parked cars, including unattended vehicles on the curbside.

Airlines are predicting high passenger loads. Originating passenger numbers (travelers who begin their trip at CLT) have been high since the closing of schools and this weekend will be no exception. Originating passenger numbers are projected to peak on Friday, June 30 (this is in addition to the more than 100,000 passengers who connect through CLT daily).

Date	TSA's Fourth of July Weekend Forecast For Passengers Screened
Thursday, June 29	31,110
Friday, June 30	32,490
Saturday, July 1	26,990
Sunday, July 2	24,840
Monday, July 3	24,520
Tuesday, July 4	23,160

Travel Tips:

- Plan ahead.
- Follow the Airport on twitter [@CLTAirport](#) for the latest information.
- TSA advises arriving 2 hours prior to a domestic flight, 3 hours prior to an international flight.
- Check with your airline on the status of your flight before coming to the Airport.
- Check [real-time parking conditions](#) online before leaving for CLT or call 704.359.5555.
- Use the Hourly Deck for drop off and pick up. **[The first hour is free and drivers will be in and out in less than ten minutes.](#)**
- Only immediate loading and unloading are permitted on the curbside. If your vehicle is left unattended, it will be ticketed and towed.
- Carpool or rideshare.
- Park in designated parking spaces or your vehicle will be towed.

Passengers are advised to:

- Plan your drop off and pick up.
- Arrive early and follow airline and TSA guidelines when packing. Visit our [Security Tips](#) page.
- Get dropped off at the Airport, carpool, ride CATS Airport Sprinter or Connector or use one of the many taxi

and ground transportation companies serving the Airport.

- Check parking conditions before leaving for Charlotte Douglas by viewing the [real-time parking map](#) or calling 704.359.5555.
- Be alert, slow down, obey the speed limit and drive more cautiously on CLT roadways.
- Follow the directions on the variable message signs that have been strategically placed along roadways to help drivers navigate the change.

To save time before leaving for CLT, follow the Airport's SmartPark tips:

- [Long Term economy parking](#) is expected to go fast at CLT Airport this summer.
- Be sure to take a lot locator card from the SmartPark maps inside the parking lot bus shelters. This will help you locate your car upon return.
- Take advantage of the Airport's Pay&Go stations. Four Pay&Go stations are located in the Hourly Deck and at the Daily deck's shuttle bus stop and two more are located near the shuttle bus stops in front of the Arrivals/Baggage Claim level. To use, travelers place their parking ticket in a Pay&Go station and pay by credit card. A validated ticket will be returned. Drivers may then proceed to any lane in the designated lots and insert their validated ticket in the machine to exit.
- Use the credit card only or prepaid lanes to save time exiting the Airport's parking lots. Credit card only lanes are available in all lots.
- View [current parking rates](#) or call CDIAL, the Airport's automated phone information at 704.359.4910. To get up-to-date flight information, call 704.359.DATA (3282).

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