

## Airlink adjusts flight schedule to comply with Level 3 curfew

Domestic and regional airline Airlink has announced that it is adjusting its flight schedule of early morning and evening departures so that customers can comply with South Africa's new curfew following the implementation of an adjusted Level 3 lockdown.



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The changes will affect Airlink flights that were originally due to depart prior to 8am and arrive after 8pm. These will be rescheduled to depart as soon after 8am as possible, and where applicable to arrive before 8pm. In some instances, flights might be consolidated. The schedule adjustments aim to allow customers departing on morning flights with sufficient time to commute to airports and complete the necessary health, security and immigration checks without breaking the curfew. It also aims to enable passengers landing on evening flights to complete the arrival procedures and commute to their homes or accommodation by the 9pm curfew.

"The well-being and safety of our customers, crew and staff is our priority. At the same time, we want to provide continuity so that our customers reach their intended destinations and that markets across Southern Africa remain connected with positive economic consequences," said Airlink MD and chief executive Rodger Foster.

The adjusted schedule will apply at least until 15 January 2021 when the South African Government is due to review the efficacy of its adjusted Level 3 lockdown restrictions in slowing the rate of Covid-19 infections in hotspot areas.

Airlink plans to communicate schedule changes with holders of tickets for any affected flights. Customers can also consult the flight schedule on the <u>website</u>.