



ATTACHMENT 4

Very Large Airtanker Project Victoria 2010

VLAT-Project Operations Program

Visitor Management Plan

General

Access to the Avalon Airport including the Avalon Airtanker Base is highly restricted. As a result, the Very Large Air tanker Project (VLAT-Project) has made provisions to allow Agency personnel, Government representatives and interested parties access to the Avalon Airbase.

This will be conducted under strict guidelines and conditions. The following paragraphs outline the procedures for organising access, and the conditions that must be adhered to, whilst on premises.

All requests must be arranged via Agency/Organisation contact person PRIOR to submission to VLAT Project Team.

Where airport security requires it, visitors must obtain a visitor pass from Avalon Airport Management. Before being allowed onto the ramp, visitors must obtain permission from the Avalon Airbase Coordinator and be given a safety briefing.

- Visitors shall be escorted by agency personnel.
- Visitors will be provided appropriate safety equipment, including hearing protection.
- Members of the media shall be escorted by a Communications Officer

Visitors will be directed to and confined to a secure designated public viewing area while visiting the base to observe operations.

Schedule

For operational purposes, access to Avalon for all parties, aside from operational personnel, has been limited to:

Sundays: 0900-1000

Wednesdays: 0900-1000.

Visitor numbers

A maximum of 40 individuals will be allowed access at any one time, and the 'tour' will take approximately 1hr.

Certain conditions will apply:

- A minimum of seven days notice is to be given to the VLAT Project Officer of intended visit.
- All visits are to be coordinated through the VLAT Project Team. Please contact them to discuss arrangements.

Vehicles

A maximum of 2 passenger vehicles **or** 1 bus will be escorted through to VLAT at any one time.

Uncontrolled if printed or copied.

Transport to/from Avalon must be organised by persons requesting tour. A "Temporary Car Park Pass" for the 'employees' car park may be made available. However, as only 2 of these are available, access to these passes can not be assured.

Remember, you will be entering an operational airfield and in their interests, vehicle traffic must be kept to a minimum.

Access

Visitors are to arrive at the main Security gates 20 minutes PRIOR to intended start time.

All individuals are to sign in and receive an "Escorted Visitors Pass" at the main security gate. A designated VLAT Project staff member will be present to facilitate this process & will act as guide and escort throughout the tour.

At all times, visitors are to follow the directions of the VLAT Project staff member who is escorting them.

Security

At no stage are individuals to leave the tour. Visitor passes are provided on the condition that an escort is present at all times. Any breach of this may result

Still and video footage are permitted of the VLAT. However, NO footage is permitted to be taken of Avalon infrastructure or Qantas installations. To do so is considered a criminal offense. Any persons seen to be taking images of these may have equipment confiscated, be escorted from premises and may face prosecution in line with breaching Commonwealth Regulations.

Provisions

Please note: This is a fully operational aircraft on standby for emergency operational purposes. Cancellation, at short notice, of organised tour may occur. The VLAT Project team will endeavor to provide as much notice as possible should this eventuate, to avoid any inconvenience. However, this may not be possible.

Further information

State Aircraft Unit Victoria 03 9412 4888.