

# AIRMAIL

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## Airport Traffic Rules: For Your Safety

The deputies of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Airport Division are responsible for enforcing the rules of the road at Sacramento International Airport. However, traffic safety should be a concern for everyone who visits the airport.

High traffic volume, the structure of the roads, merging shuttle buses and numerous pedestrians necessitate the relatively low speed limits at Sacramento International Airport. All drivers should carefully obey all traffic signs as they approach the terminals. The speed limit at Sacramento International Airport decreases from 35 mph at the freeway exit to 10 mph in front of

the terminals.

"The speed limits at Sacramento International Airport are set to ensure the safety of all who come to the Airport to travel or work," said Captain Don Jones, commander of the Sheriff's Airport Division. "Those who speed run the risk of causing an accident that could injure themselves or others. If we have to issue a citation to make that point we will."

Illegal parking causes another safety hazard at Sacramento International Airport. No parking or stopping is allowed on any airport road. Stopped cars can be dangerous for oncoming traffic and airport work vehicles. Instead of pulling to the side of the

road, airport management recommends using the hourly parking lots, where parking is free for the first 30 minutes.

"People often speed because they are late for their flight," said Captain Jones. "It is important to allow plenty of time for parking, check-in and security screening. If someone is stopped by a deputy or worse yet, someone is involved in a traffic accident; the delay will only be longer."

## Alternative to Valley Drive

Why drive to Bakersfield when you can fly? On September 9 ExpressJet launched nonstop service from Sacramento to Bakersfield, California. One of Sacramento's newest airlines, ExpressJet joined Sacramento International Airport in April with thirteen nonstop flights to seven cities. With a travel time of about one hour, the new flight will save time for Sacramento area residents who visit Kern County. The flight times are as follows:

Sacramento to Bakersfield  
Departs: 6:35 p.m.  
Arrives: 7:37 p.m.

Bakersfield to Sacramento  
Departs: 7:00 a.m.  
Arrives: 8:05 a.m.

Flights are available now via [www.xjet.com](http://www.xjet.com), or by calling (888) 958-9538, or through your favorite travel agent.



Speed limits decrease as you approach the terminals at Sacramento International Airport.

## ARCO Gas Station Construction Update

Construction is more than half way complete on the updated Arco gas station at Sacramento International Airport. The expanded station is expected to open at the end of September. New features at the station will include a car wash, more gas pumps, and a larger convenience store. Keep reading AirMail or visit [www.sacairports.org](http://www.sacairports.org) for the latest news on the Arco gas station.



September 8, 2007 - Construction continues on the new Arco gas station.

## DHL Adds Cargo Flight to Mather

Cargo carrier DHL has increased its daily flights at Mather Airport from two to three with the addition of a DC-9 aircraft.

The new flight began operating on September 8, arriving at 8:14 p.m. and departing at 4:23 a.m. (Monday evenings through Saturday mornings).

DHL operates two daily flights at Mather with Boeing-767 aircraft, which will continue unchanged. The company has increased its local freight shipments by more than 70 percent in 2007, as it takes advantage of Mather's favorable operating conditions and lower costs versus Bay Area airports.

Mather Airport is one of the best examples in the U.S. of a transformation of an Air Force base into a successful civilian airport. In addition to serving as an air cargo center—handling over 135 million pounds of freight in 2006—it is the location for a variety of aviation-related businesses and generates nearly \$200 million annually in economic benefits for the Sacramento Region.

## Flight Numbers Now Online

Sacramento County Airport System recently launched a statistics Web page featuring reports dating back to 2005. Available in PDF format, the reports include passenger, operation and freight statistics for Sacramento International, Executive and Mather airports. The page will be updated after the twentieth of each month, when the latest statistics report is completed. Visit [www.sacairports.org](http://www.sacairports.org) and click on "About" to find a link to the stats page.

Due to the new stats page, the Flight Numbers feature in AirMail has been replaced with a shorter highlight and a link to the stats page at the Sacramento County Airport System Web site. For information not found on the stats page, interested parties can email [air-market@saccounty.net](mailto:air-market@saccounty.net).

### Flight Number Highlights: July 2007

**1,013,042 passengers traveled through Sacramento International Airport.**

**8,232 flight operations were conducted at Executive Airport.**

**11,792,249 pounds of freight passed through Mather Airport.**

Visit our [Stats Page](#) for more detailed information.

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