

SAFETY BULLETIN

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Subject	GSE Parking and Storage		
Area of Concern	Darwin Airside		
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**PARKING OK?
STORED OK?**



This **Safety Bulletin** is issued to remind operators of the correct procedures for parking and storing GSE.

This issue has been raised on several occasions, though continues to reoccur with GSE being left outside of equipment storage areas, early staging of equipment and/or left unattended whilst in the staging (clearance) areas for extend periods.

Includes, vehicles, stairs, chocks/cones, towbars, baggage trolleys and other miscellaneous items.



Incorrectly parked or stored equipment can result in congestion, blocking access to/from the apron and a safety hazard to airside personnel, other pedestrians and aircraft operations - note congestion issues have been a contributing factor in some airside driving incidents at DIA.

In accordance with the Airside Vehicle Control Handbook and Airside Drivers Guide all equipment/vehicles must be stored in the **Equipment Storage Areas** on the aprons – marked with continuous single **RED** line or in the designated storage areas at eastern end (adjacent Bays 9 & 10) or west of the apron (adjacent QF Engineering). Equipment must not be left unattended in the Clearance (Staging) Areas marked with **dashed red line** and should only be set-up in this area prior to next aircraft arrival.

A check of the Bay following a turnaround of an aircraft should ensure that all GSE is returned to an appropriate storage area.

Infringements will be sent to the responsible Company for follow-up, DIA may remove and relocate GSE from the Air Transport Apron area for repeat breaches of failing to park and store equipment in accordance with the rules for driving on the airside.

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