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## News Release

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### YQQ open for business during the Comox Air Show

The Comox Valley Airport will be open for business during the Comox Air Show but there is some important information that passengers need to know before travelling that weekend.

The airport is advising anyone needing to access the airport during this time to visit YQQ's website at: [www.comoxairport.com](http://www.comoxairport.com) for instructions on when to arrive for flights, how to get to the airport and how to access the terminal building.

#### 1. When to arrive for your flight

Passengers booked on flights departing on August 16, 17 or 18, may need to arrive to the airport early. WestJet is advising passengers to check in for certain flights two hours prior to scheduled departure, while Central Mountain Air and Pacific Coastal are asking guests to arrive 1.5 hours early.

"Some commercial aircraft will be parked in a different location and passengers will require bussing to get to their aircraft," explained YQQ CEO Fred Bigelow. "To ensure flights depart on-schedule, airlines are asking their guests to arrive early to accommodate this extra step."

YQQ is recommending that all passengers visit [www.comoxairport.com](http://www.comoxairport.com) and adhere to the recommended arrival time posted for their particular flight. Airlines will be denying boarding to those passengers who fail to arrive in time for their flight.

#### 2. How to get to the Airport

The airport is advising those needing to access the airport on the day of the Comox Air Show to expect delays of up to one hour between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (with peak congestion expected from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.).



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A special Airport Terminal access route via Ryan Road and Military Row has been designated to help avoid traffic congestion from the Comox Air Show. Directions and a map are posted at [www.comoxairport.com](http://www.comoxairport.com), along with a special **YQQ Airport Access Pass** available for download. It is recommended all passengers, guests and airport employees print this pass and display it on their windshield. Cars that have the pass displayed will not be stopped by Traffic Control Personnel stationed at Anderton and Ryan Road, making for a smoother journey to the airport.

“We have worked with 19 Wing Comox to designate an access route to the airport terminal that will allow our passengers and guests to bypass much of the Air Show spectator traffic,” explained Bigelow. “Along with allocating extra travel time in their schedules, we are strongly recommending that all passengers display the YQQ Access Pass and follow the designated route along Ryan Road to avoid traffic delays.”

### **3. How to access the Terminal Building**

Main access to the Comox Valley Airport terminal on August 17 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. will be from Military Row. Follow the signs for the **Airport Terminal** and the entrance off Military Row will be clearly indicated. There will be no Air Show spectator access available from the Comox Valley Airport terminal.

“We have been working very closely with 19 Wing Comox and our airlines to ensure efficient access for passengers and guests going to/from the airport on the weekend of the Comox Air Show,” concluded Bigelow. “We are asking passengers for their patience and understanding as we work to maintain our operations under these special circumstances.”

For more information on travelling from the Comox Valley Airport during the weekend of the Comox Air Show please visit [www.comoxairport.com](http://www.comoxairport.com).

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