

Runway Designation Change at KLAS McCarren International Airport

Due to a change in the Earth's magnetic variation, beginning August 15, 2017, McCarren International Airport (KLAS) will change the runway designations for 7R/7L and 25R/25L to 8R/8L and 26R/26L. The scheduled completion date for the runway designation change, including taxiway markings, is August 16, 2017. Each runway will be closed individually, starting with runway 7R/25L, to minimize arrival/departure delays.



Work will begin on Runway 7L/25R following the reopening of Runway 8R/26L.



Periodic updating of the magnetic variance assigned to navigation facilities is required to maintain reasonable proximity of alignment with the earth's ever shifting magnetic field. Jeppesen updated their Terminal Chart database on August, 11, 2017 to reflect the change for all SIDs/STARs, and instrument approaches servicing the new runway designations. When runway 8R/26L re-opens on August 16, 2017, ATC will still be issuing 7R/25L approach and landing clearances until the [8/17/17](#) database cycle becomes effective [at 09:01Z](#).

Flight crews should remain vigilant that the proper ATC instructions are understood, correct procedures are used, and FMS databases are updated prior to operating into KLAS.