

West Michigan Airport Authority

60 Geurink Boulevard, Holland, MI 49423

Comprising City of Zeeland, Park Township and City of Holland



LANDING FEE POLICY

West Michigan Regional Airport (BIV)

ADOPTED	EFFECTIVE
July 13, 2026	September 1, 2026

1. Purpose and Authority

The West Michigan Airport Authority (Authority) establishes this policy to assess and administer landing fees at West Michigan Regional Airport (Airport) in a fair, consistent, and nondiscriminatory manner. This policy applies to aircraft owners and operators using the Airport and supersedes all previously adopted landing-fee schedules and exemption policies.

2. Applicability and Fee Basis

2.1. Assessment. Unless exempt under this policy, a landing fee shall be assessed for each aircraft landing at the Airport when the aircraft meets the applicable weight threshold.

2.2. Weight. Fees shall be calculated using the aircraft's maximum certificated landing weight, as published by the aircraft manufacturer or another reliable source accepted by the Authority.

2.3. Responsible party. The registered aircraft owner and the aircraft operator are jointly responsible for landing fees and associated charges. The Authority or its authorized billing and collection agent may invoice either party.

3. Landing Fee Schedule

Maximum Certificated Landing Weight	Fee Per Landing
Less than 8,000 pounds	No fee
8,000–12,499 pounds	\$50
12,500–24,999 pounds	\$100
25,000–54,999 pounds	\$150
55,000–89,999 pounds	\$200
90,000–129,999 pounds	\$250
130,000 pounds and over	\$2.75 per 1,000 pounds

For aircraft weighing 130,000 pounds or more, maximum certificated landing weight will be rounded to the nearest 1,000 pounds before calculating the fee. The fee at exactly 130,000 pounds is \$357.50.

The West Michigan Airport Authority will provide the public with state-of-the-art global air access to strengthen the local economy and improve the area's quality of life.

4. Exemptions

An aircraft is exempt only when it satisfies one of the categories below. Exemptions are not automatic, and the owner or operator must provide documentation requested by the Authority.

4.1. Based aircraft. An aircraft is exempt when the Authority recognizes the Airport as its primary base of operation. Evidence may include a current Airport lease, hangar or tie-down agreement, tenant confirmation, or other documentation acceptable to the Authority. Temporary parking, maintenance visits, or occasional storage do not establish based-aircraft status. If an aircraft's based status is disputed, its listing in the FAA National Based Aircraft Inventory Program may be used as the deciding factor.

4.2. Supporting jurisdiction ownership. An aircraft is exempt when more than 50 percent of its beneficial ownership is held, directly or through a legal entity or trust, by one or more individuals whose primary residences are located within the City of Holland, City of Zeeland, or Park Township. The applicant must document both residency and beneficial ownership to the Authority's satisfaction.

4.3. Government and military. Aircraft owned and operated by the United States government or the United States military are exempt.

4.4. Charitable medical transportation (Angel Flights). Documented charitable medical transportation flights conducted without compensation by or on behalf of a recognized nonprofit organization are exempt.

5. Limits on Supporting-Jurisdiction Exemption

A mailing address, business address, hangar address, employment location, aircraft operating location, or ownership interest of 50 percent or less does not establish eligibility for the supporting-jurisdiction exemption. Aircraft operated through fractional ownership programs, charter operations, aircraft management programs, flying clubs, leaseback arrangements, or similar commercial or shared-use arrangements are not eligible for the supporting-jurisdiction exemption.

6. Amendments and Severability

The Authority Board may amend the fee schedule, exemptions, or other provisions of this policy by formal action. If any provision is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue in effect to the fullest extent permitted by law.

7. Adoption and Certification

Adopted by the West Michigan Airport Authority Board on July 13, 2026. This policy is effective September 1, 2026.



M. Neyens, Airport Director

Date: 08/14/2026