



## FLIGHT SCHEDULE FOR VERSION 5.0 FLIGHTS 2026 | 0226

ACTIVITY	CALENDAR DATE
Notice from ERCOT Client Services of the next flight for Retail Market Testing sent to ERCOT lists.ercot.com distribution. Registration questions can be sent to <a href="mailto:FlightTesting@ercot.com">FlightTesting@ercot.com</a>	Dec. 3, 2025
<p><b>New CRs and new DUNS+4 entities</b> (in flight only): The following step must be completed by 5:00 P.M. CPT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LSE Application and Fee must be submitted to ERCOT. (New CR and new DUNS+4)</li> <li>Must have filed for PUC REP Certification and have Docket number. (New CR and if required, new DUNS+4)</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE:</b> <i>If new or existing CRs plan to test with a Service Provider who is not established in the ERCOT Market, name and contact information for that Service Provider must be given by this deadline.</i></p>	<b>Jan. 14, 2026</b>
<p><b>New CRs and new DUNS +4 entities</b> (in flight only): ERCOT Flight Team will send out an email to the AR (Authorized Rep)/BAR (Backup Authorized Rep) requesting the contact information for the user that they would like to be set up in FlighTrak as the Admin. The AR/BAR will send that information to <a href="mailto:FlightTesting@ercot.com">FlightTesting@ercot.com</a></p>	<b>Jan. 14, 2026</b>
<p><b>Email sent to MP admin explaining that the following must happen before the deadline:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admin creates user account for AR/BAR</li> <li>ERCOT, confirming that the AR/BAR set up match the contacts provided on the LSE application, assign the AR/BAR roles to the appropriate users</li> </ol>	<b>Jan. 21, 2026</b>
<p><b>In-Flight Signup DEADLINE</b> AR/BAR must submit their Flight Registration in FlighTrak and be approved by 5:00 P.M. CPT.</p>	<b>Jan. 28, 2026</b>
Final Testing Matrix Available for Flight	Jan. 30, 2026
<b>Testing Specifications are to be submitted and approved in the FlighTrak tool</b>	<b>Feb. 2, 2026</b>
<b>TDSPs and ERCOT complete sending emails with proposed date and time schedule</b> of connectivity testing to each Trading Partner	Feb. 3, 2026
<b>Connectivity and Penny</b> (if applicable) Testing begins for all Testing Participants. <b>Connectivity and Penny tests must be completed before Day 1 of Functional Testing.</b>	Feb. 4, 2026
TDSPs uploading of Test bed information to FlighTrak <b>DEADLINE</b>	<b>Feb. 13, 2026</b>
Day 1 Functional Testing Transactions flow	<b>Feb. 23, 2026</b>
Flight scheduled to conclude	<b>March 6, 2026</b>
Contingency Period begins with the Flight Administrator and involved TDSP's approval	March 9, 2026
Contingency Period to conclude for Flight	March 13, 2026

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## FLIGHT SCHEDULE FOR VERSION 5.0 FLIGHTS 2026 | 0626

ACTIVITY	CALENDAR DATE
Notice from ERCOT Client Services of the next flight for Retail Market Testing sent to ERCOT lists.ercot.com distribution. Registration questions can be sent to <a href="mailto:FlightTesting@ercot.com">FlightTesting@ercot.com</a>	March 18, 2026
<p><b>New CRs and new DUNS+4 entities</b> (in flight only): The following step must be completed by 5:00 P.M. CPT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LSE Application and Fee must be submitted to ERCOT. (New CR and new DUNS+4)</li> <li>Must have filed for PUC REP Certification and have Docket number. (New CR and if required, new DUNS+4)</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE:</b> <i>If new or existing CRs plan to test with a Service Provider who is not established in the ERCOT Market, name and contact information for that Service Provider must be given by this deadline.</i></p>	<b>April 15, 2026</b>
<p><b>New CRs and new DUNS +4 entities</b> (in flight only): ERCOT Flight Team will send out an email to the AR (Authorized Rep)/BAR (Backup Authorized Rep) requesting the contact information for the user that they would like to be set up in FlighTrak as the Admin. The AR/BAR will send that information to <a href="mailto:FlightTesting@ercot.com">FlightTesting@ercot.com</a></p>	<b>April 22, 2026</b>
<p><b>Email sent to MP admin explaining that the following must happen before the deadline:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admin creates user account for AR/BAR</li> <li>ERCOT, confirming that the AR/BAR set up match the contacts provided on the LSE application, assign the AR/BAR roles to the appropriate users</li> </ol>	<b>April 29, 2026</b>
<p><b>In-Flight Signup DEADLINE</b> AR/BAR must submit their Flight Registration in FlighTrak and be approved by 5:00 P.M. CPT.</p>	<b>May 6, 2026</b>
Final Testing Matrix Available for Flight	May 8, 2026
<b>Testing Specifications are to be submitted and approved in the FlighTrak tool</b>	<b>May 11, 2026</b>
<b>TDSPs and ERCOT complete sending emails with proposed date and time schedule</b> of connectivity testing to each Trading Partner	May 12, 2026
<b>Connectivity and Penny</b> (if applicable) Testing begins for all Testing Participants. <b>Connectivity and Penny tests must be completed before Day 1 of Functional Testing.</b>	May 13, 2026
TDSPs uploading of Test bed information to FlighTrak <b>DEADLINE</b>	<b>May 29, 2026</b>
Day 1 Functional Testing Transactions flow	<b>June 8, 2026</b>
Flight tentatively scheduled to conclude (Holiday Friday, 6/19/26)	<b>June 22, 2026</b>
Contingency Period begins with the Flight Administrator and involved TDSP's approval	June 23, 2026
Contingency Period to conclude for Flight	June 26, 2026

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## FLIGHT SCHEDULE FOR VERSION 5.0 FLIGHTS 2026 | 1026

ACTIVITY	CALENDAR DATE
Notice from ERCOT Client Services of the next flight for Retail Market Testing sent to ERCOT lists.ercot.com distribution. Registration questions can be sent to <a href="mailto:FlightTesting@ercot.com">FlightTesting@ercot.com</a>	July 22, 2026
<p><b>New CRs and new DUNS+4 entities</b> (in flight only): The following step must be completed by 5:00 P.M. CPT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LSE Application and Fee must be submitted to ERCOT. (New CR and new DUNS+4)</li> <li>Must have filed for PUC REP Certification and have Docket number. (New CR and if required, new DUNS+4)</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE:</b> <i>If new or existing CRs plan to test with a Service Provider who is not established in the ERCOT Market, name and contact information for that Service Provider must be given by this deadline.</i></p>	<b>Aug. 19, 2026</b>
<p><b>New CRs and new DUNS +4 entities</b> (in flight only): ERCOT Flight Team will send out an email to the AR (Authorized Rep)/BAR (Backup Authorized Rep) requesting the contact information for the user that they would like to be set up in FlighTrak as the Admin. The AR/BAR will send that information to <a href="mailto:FlightTesting@ercot.com">FlightTesting@ercot.com</a></p>	<b>Aug. 26, 2026</b>
<p><b>Email sent to MP admin explaining that the following must happen before the deadline:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admin creates user account for AR/BAR</li> <li>ERCOT, confirming that the AR/BAR set up match the contacts provided on the LSE application, assign the AR/BAR roles to the appropriate users</li> </ol>	<b>Sept. 2, 2026</b>
<p><b>In-Flight Signup DEADLINE</b> AR/BAR must submit their Flight Registration in FlighTrak and be approved by 5:00 P.M. CPT.</p>	<b>Sept. 9, 2026</b>
Final Testing Matrix Available for Flight	<b>Sept. 11, 2026</b>
<b>Testing Specifications are to be submitted and approved in the FlighTrak tool</b>	<b>Sept. 14, 2026</b>
<p><b>TDSPs and ERCOT complete sending emails with proposed date and time schedule</b> of connectivity testing to each Trading Partner</p>	Sept. 15, 2026
<p><b>Connectivity and Penny</b> (if applicable) Testing begins for all Testing Participants. <b>Connectivity and Penny tests must be completed before Day 1 of Functional Testing.</b></p>	Sept. 16, 2026
TDSPs uploading of Test bed information to FlighTrak <b>DEADLINE</b>	<b>Oct. 9, 2026</b>
Day 1 Functional Testing Transactions flow	<b>Oct. 19, 2026</b>
Flight tentatively scheduled to conclude	<b>Oct. 30, 2026</b>
Contingency Period begins with the Flight Administrator and involved TDSP's approval	Nov. 2, 2026
Contingency Period to conclude for Flight	Nov. 6, 2026

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