Runway Status Lights (RWSL) - Training Scenario 2

Multiple Line-Ups Take-Off & Crossing Scenario (Under Nominal Conditions)



The **Scenario 2** show the behaviour of the **RWSL** system on the **RWY 27L** and its vicinity. This scenario illustrates how the **THL** and the REL systems work under runway multiple line-ups take-off and crossing. The most important thing to watch here is the **THL** behaviour:

- When Airplane 1 is lining up, nothing happens because no one else is moving close to the **RWY** at this time.
- Then Airplane 2 lines up ahead of Airplane 1, preventing Airplane 1 from taking off; so the **THL** turns **ON** but only in front of Airplane 1.
- Then, two other airplanes start crossing the runway, so the **THL** is turned **ON** in front of Airplane 2 as well, to prevent it from taking-off.
- When those two airplanes have vacated the RWY, THL is turned OFF in front of Airplane 2.
- When Airplane 2 begins its take-off roll, full **THL** in front of Airplane 1 turns **ON**.

The scenario has been planned with two crossing cases, once two airplanes have already been lined up on the **RWY** (demonstrating the **THL** system) and then, with one take-off case when another airplane is lined-up (demonstrating the **THL** and the **REL** systems) and, finally, with another standard take-off (demonstrating the **REL** system).

Four airplanes are involved in the sequence of events (two airplanes crossing the **RWY 27L** and two airplanes taking-off).

The illustrated cases are the following:

- · Multi lined- ups
- **RWY 27L** crossing with multi lined- ups, take-off
- Take-off under normal conditions

In this scenario, Airplane 1 has been cleared to line- up on the **RWY 27L** via **Q5 TWY**. Once Airplane 1 is lined up on the **RWY 27L**, Airplane 2 is also cleared to line-up on the **RWY 27L** via **Q4 TWY**. When Airplane 2 starts with the line-up procedure, the **Q5 THL** first segment turns **ON**. After Airplane 2 has finished with the line-up, another two

airplanes (Airplane 3 and Airplane 4) located respectively at holding points **K2** and **K3**, are cleared to cross in parallel the **RWY 27L.** Once the Airplane 3 starts with the crossing procedure, the **THL** in front of Airplane 2 turns **ON**. When the last crossing airplane (Airplane 4) vacates the **RWY 27L**, the **THL** in front of the Airplane 2 turns **OFF**. Airplane 2 is cleared for take-off and it begins the take-off roll. During Airplane 2's take-off maneuvering, the full **THL** in front of Airplane 1 is turned **ON** when Airplane 2 passes abeam **K7/Q3**, until reach about 450 meters of **THL** length. As soon as Airplane 2 is airborne, the **THL** turns **OFF**. Airplane 1 is cleared for take-off and it begins its take-off roll.

During each take-off procedure, the **RELs** in front of each airplane are turned **ON**, and each **REL** is turned **OFF** anticipating the pass of the airplane for each intersection.





RELs that are ON (illuminated red) indicate that the runway ahead is not safe to enter or cross. THLs that are ON (illuminated red) indicate that the runway is not safe for takeoff. RED MEANS STOP! Pilots should remain clear of a runway when an REL along their taxi route is illuminated. Pilots should not takeoff when a THL on the runway ahead is illuminated.