

DOWNLOADABLE FLIGHT PLANS

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This document explains how to use the downloadable flight plans found on flight dispatch pages.

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Introduction

All pilots should use the downloadable flight plans available on the flight dispatch pages. This will help reduce errors in flight plans and improve consistency.

Downloadable flight plans are still a new feature to Fly UK. It is possible there may still be a few minor issues with the automatically generated data. When using IVAP/SQUWKBOX/FSINN flight plans please carefully check over the information before submitting your flight plan, do not assume it is all correct. Double check the number of passengers is correct and that there is an alternate airport.

The following applications are supported:

- IvAp
- FSInn
- SquawkBox
- Microsoft Flight Simulator
- FlightSim Commander
- vasFMC
- PMDG products
- Level-D 767-300

IvAp:

The flight plan file may be saved anywhere, but the suggested location is %APPDATA\IVAO\IvAp\flights. Typically this will be C:\Documents and Settings\[username]\Application Data\IVAO\IvAp\flights on Windows XP.

To load the flight plan in IvAp, select ACARS → SEND FLIGHTPLAN. In the flight plan window, select 'Load' in the bottom left corner and open the flight plan file you downloaded. All the fields in the flight plan will then be filled in. Check everything is correct, then select 'Send FPL'.

FSInn:

The flight plan file must be saved in the FSCopilot installation directory in the Flightplans folder. Typically, this will be in C:\Program Files\FSFDT\FSCopilot\Flightplans.

To load the flight plan in FSInn, select the FP button in the control panel. In the flight plan window, select the flight plan you downloaded from the stored flight plans drop-down list at the top and select 'Load'. Some of the fields will be filled in (not all are supported by the file format unfortunately). Check everything is correct, fill in the remaining fields, then select 'Send to tower'.

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SquawkBox:

The flight plan file may be saved anywhere, but the suggested location is in My Documents\Flight Simulator (X) Files for FSX users or My Documents\Flight Simulator Files for FS2004 users.

To load the flight plan in SquawkBox, select Start → Flight Plan. In the flight plan window, select 'Load' in the bottom right corner and open the flight plan file you downloaded. All the fields in the flight plan will then be filled in. Check everything is correct, then select 'Send Flight Plan'.

Flight Simulator 2004:

The flight plan file must be saved in My Documents\Flight Simulator Files. To load the flight plan in Flight Simulator, open the flight planner, select 'Load' and open the flight plan you downloaded.

Flight Simulator X:

The flight plan file may be saved anywhere, but the suggested location is in My Documents\Flight Simulator X Files. To load the flight plan in Flight Simulator, open the flight planner, select 'Load' and open the flight plan you downloaded.

FlightSim Commander:

The flight plan file may be saved anywhere, but it would be a good idea to save it in your My Documents\Flight Simulator (X) Files (for FSX users) or My Documents\Flight Simulator Files (for FS2004 users), so the same flight plan maybe used by both Flight Simulator and FlightSim Commander.

To load the flight plan, select Flight Plan → Open and open the flight plan file you downloaded.

Note that due to limitations of the navdata we use, airway minimum and maximum altitudes will show as zero in the waypoint list. This will not affect your flight.

vasFMC:

The flight plan file may be saved anywhere, but the suggested location is in the fps directory in the vasFMC installation directory. Typically, this will be C:\Program Files\vasfmc\fps.

To load the flight plan, select the Load button in vasFMC and open the flight plan file you downloaded.

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