

General

Mainz is an uncontrolled, public airfield located ca. 6km west of Mainz, close to the big international airport Frankfurt/Main.

The extensive controlled airspace of Frankfurt starts at 3500ft MSL above our airfield and approx. 2nm east of our threshold RW26 extending from GND to 1500ft. Carefully study the airspace structure around our airport found on ICAO Chart Section „Frankfurt“.

Mainz has two 1000m runways (ASPH/GRASS) and only one published circuit at 1700ft MSL south of the airport. During nice sunny days, expect busy frequency and airspace. Keep radio calls short and precise.

Expect occasional high performance traffic operating in and out of Mainz such as smaller business jets and turboprops. Maintain a good look out and listening watch.

The big Junkers JU-52 and Antonov AN2 occasionally conduct sightseeing flights from our airfield in spring/summer and fall. Be aware that these aircraft produce unexpectedly strong wake turbulences on departure and final approach. Apply common sense avoidance techniques.

Approaching from N/NE, pilots shall not overfly the airfield during glider operations or fly a right base to RW26. Midfield crossings may be considered during glider activities only after prior coordination with „MAINZ INFO“.

Right base legs to RW26 are strictly undesired due to local agreements regarding noise abatement.

Flying into Mainz is straight forward. Turbulence can be expected on short finals to both runways caused by trees (RW08) and hangar buildings (RW26) even at light winds.

IFR arrival and departures using Z /Y flightplans

Mainz is an only-VFR airport but we do offer assistance in dispatching with Z/Y plans (opening, closing, extending of flight plans, communication with AIS, obtaining your squawk and departure frequency).

Visual flight rules apply for departures and arrivals at all times.

NB: Route clearance will be delivered from LANGEN RADAR when airborne.

NB for UK pilots: IFR flights are not permitted in airspace class G in Germany.

The following information published by German ATC authority „DFS“ offers standard IFR pick up/IFR cancellation procedures to assist you during your flight planning stage.

Traffic circuit

The traffic circuit is situated south of the airport and shall be flown at 1700ft MSL exactly. Published entry and exit routings shall be flown. The routing is designed in a way that it keeps you well clear of any populated areas and meets local noise abatement agreements.

Please avoid overflying villages and cities by all means.

We kindly ask our guest pilots to fly the circuit as precisely as possible to minimise disruption to our non-flying neighbours.

Special operational hours on christmas and New Years Eve

PPR only. Please contact us.

Landing in Mainz after sunset

PPR only. Please contact us.

NVFR operations

PPR only. Please contact us.

Fuelling procedure (self-service)

We provide AVGAS 100LL, Super Plus (Mogas) and JET A1. There is no need to advise the tower of the need to refuel via radio. Just taxi to the fuelling platform next to the tower building. When facing the pumps, turn left and use the grey call bell and phone to contact the tower. Before making the call, make sure that you are ready to start fuelling immediately as there is an automatic shut-off feature which will activate after 30 seconds of inactivity. Advise the tower of your aircraft registration and the type of fuel required. We will then remotely activate the applicable pump for you. When finished, move your aircraft away from the fuelling platform and come to the tower for payment.

Customs and immigration procedure

When flying to or from a non-EU/ non-Schengen country the German immigration and border force must be notified at least 24 hours in advance. This procedure must strictly be adhered to! Mainz airport does not have an on-site police/custom outpost. Please be aware that it is your sole responsibility to declare and notify the authorities well ahead of your arrival. However, we're offering the service of notifying the authority of your arrival on your behalf. To do so, we need your written consent (E-Mail is fine) with all crew and passenger personal data and flight details: full name, ID number and expiration date, current address, nationality, country of residence, date and place of birth.

Please familiarise yourself with the German import regulations (cash money carried, certain goods) as fines can be quite high.

For the notification of customs/police we charge an additional 5,-€ fee for each flight landing in Mainz.

Parking on the ramp

If you wish to stay overnight, there are plenty of parking stands available on our big main ramp. Parking fees are listed in the table below. Hangar space may occasionally be available at special rates.

NB: We do not offer any ground equipment such as chocks, external power units, de-/anti-icing, fixation straps or any other kind of handling.

Noise abatement regulation

Noise abatement is an important operational factor when flying in Germany. Especially in Mainz as we are located in a densely populated area. Please make yourself familiar with the restrictions outlined in the official „airfield noise abatement regulation“ below.

If you have never visited Mainz before, we might ask you to provide an official decible measurement of your aircraft which can lower your landing fee.

Avoid overflying towns by all means.

Checking

Our airport supervisors are entitled by the federal state of Rheinland-Pfalz, to conduct random checks of flight documents and licenses.

Rental car

We offer our own rental car (Citroen Picasso) for an all inclusive rate of 40,-€/ day. Please contact our flight operations office (Flugleitung) for booking.

Public transport

There is a bus stop „Mainz- Finthen Layenhof“ within walking distance from the airport. Busses are running at regular intervals to Mainz city centre or Ingelheim am Rhein. Please find the current schedule here or in our flight operations office.

If you wish we can also arrange a taxi waiting for you upon your arrival.

Catering

Should you require professional catering, please get in touch with our airport restaurant.

