

Manchester Airport

NATS

We provide Air Traffic Control (ATC) services at 14 UK airports, including Manchester. At Manchester, we provide tower, approach and engineering services.

TOWER

This is an ATC service provided in and around the airport. The controllers will look out of the tower windows, as well as at the ATC equipment, to help aircraft taxi, take-off and land on Manchester's two runways.

APPROACH

This is a radar-based control service located in the lower part of the tower. Incoming aircraft are managed from approximately 40 miles away from the aerodrome, generally under 10,000ft. The aircraft are transferred to the tower controller when the aircraft are approximately 6-10 miles from the aerodrome.

ENGINEERING

An engineering team, based at the airport, is responsible for maintaining air traffic control equipment, such as radar and the Instrument Landing System (ILS).

THE OPERATION: 2015

The current tower was opened in 2013.

173,190 flights ▲ 2% on 2014	23m passengers ▲ 7% on 2014	3rd busiest airport in the UK
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DESTINATIONS

There are more than 210 direct flights from Manchester airport.

Singapore furthest destination	Amsterdam most travelled to destination	210 routes served
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THE AIRPORT

Manchester Airport is home to Concorde in the Runway Visitor Park based on site. The tower is the second tallest tower in the UK. The concrete tower shaft was built in just 9 days. There are 350 steps to get to the top or you can take the lift.

60m height of tower	2 runways: 3,048m x 45m Runway 1 3,050m x 45m Runway 2
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