SmartCARS Tutorial

In this tutorial we will try to explain how to install and use SmartCARS for tracking your flight and send the pirep to our website after you finished the flight.

Make sure you have installed FSUIPC (FS9/X, P3D) or XPUIPC (X-Plane) else SmartCARS will not work.

Download

To download SmartCARS for FlyCaribbeanVA

- Go to the www.flycaribbeanva.com and login
- In the menu, go to 'Profile' -> 'View Downloads'

Installation

To install SmartCARS for FlyCaribbeanVA

- Double click on 'installer.exe'
- If you get asked if the program may make changes, click YES
- Select a folder where you want to install smartCARS
- Check the license agreement box
- Click on install
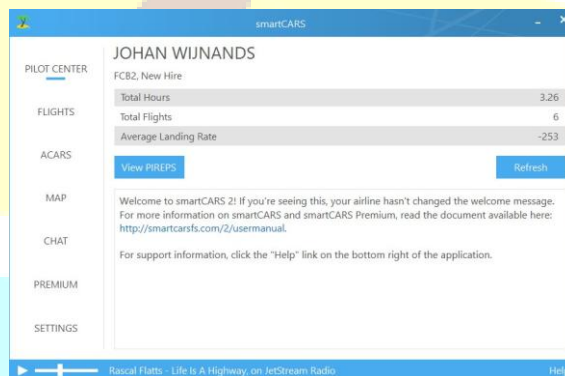- After installation, click on finish

First time startup

If you start SmartCARS for the first time

- Fill in your email or pilotID (same you use to login on the site)
- Fill in your password (same you use to login on the site)
- Click on LOGIN

Congratulations,

You now can start flying for FlyCaribbean Virtual Alliance.
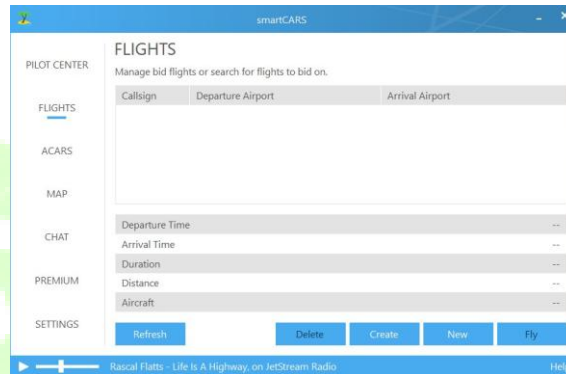

1. smartCARS openingpage

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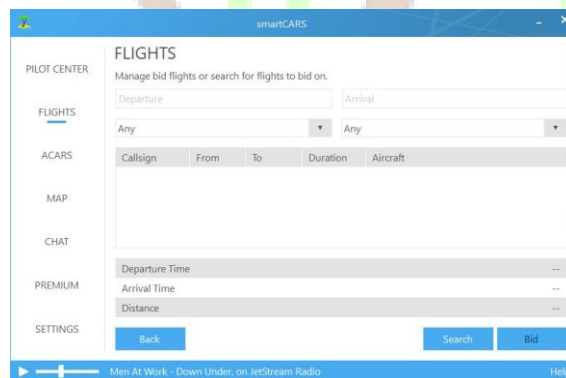
Flying a scheduled flight

If you want to start a scheduled flight, you can go to our website and search a flightplan there, or you can use smartCARS to find a flight.

If you have bid on a flight on our website, this flight will show up in smartCARS.
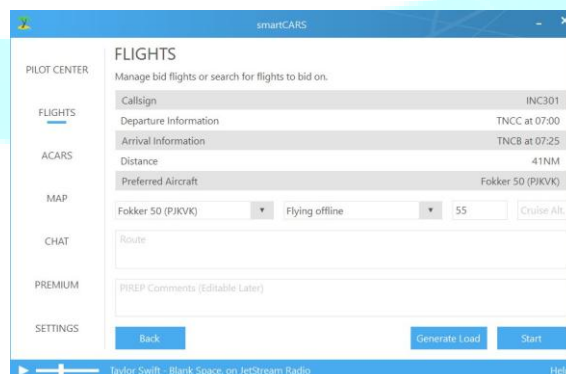

2. Flights openingpage

If you want to use smartCARS for searching a flight, click on 'NEW'

3. Search a flight

In this section you can search for flights, select departure, arrival, aircraft or flighttime and click on 'SEARCH'. All flights which match your search will be shown. Select the flight you want and click on 'Bid'.

You will be sent back to the Flights openingpage. On the openingscreen, select the flight you want to do and click on 'FLY'. You will now see a screen with flightdetails you selected. Here you can change the aircraft, network and load.

4. Flight overview

When ready, click on 'Start' to start tracking your flight

Flying a Charterflight

To start a charterflight using smartCARS, click on 'CREATE' on the Flights opening page.

5. Create a charter flight

Fill in the following items:

- Numeric Flight ID :   A flight number (ONLY NUMBERS ALLOWED!)
- Type of flight: Passenger or Cargo
- Cruising Altitude: in feet
- Departure airport: Use the ICAO-code
- Arrival airport: Use the ICAO-code
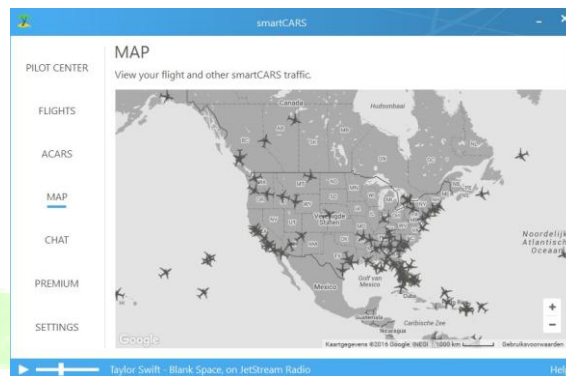- Aircraft: Select from dropdown menu

The other field are optional.

When finished, click on 'CREATE'

You will be sent back to the Flights openingpage. On the openingscreen, select the flight you want to do and click on 'FLY'. You will now see a screen with flightdetails you selected. Here you can change the aircraft, network and load.
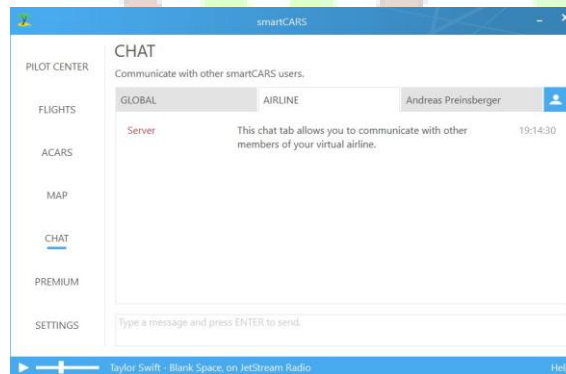

6. Flight overview

When ready, click on 'Start' to start tracking your flight.

MAP

7. Map page

The map can be used to see where other pilots are flying using smartCARS. This is not only for our airline, but worldwide.
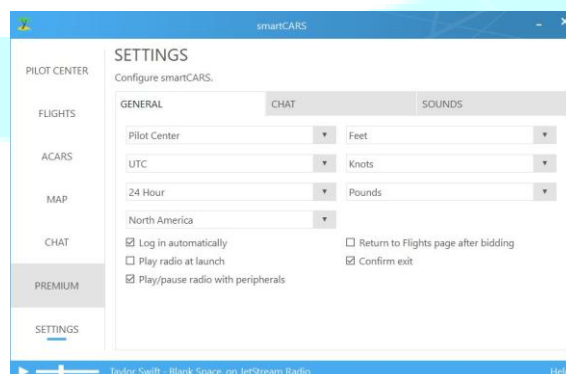
CHAT

8. Chat page

There are 3 type of chat in smartCARS:

- Globalchat: Chat with people using smartCARS (not only our airline, but all)
- Airlinechat: Chat with your colleagues from FlyCaribbeanVA
- Privatechat: Chat in private with anyone you want

Settings

9. Settings page

Change your personal settings. These have no affect on the pirepsystem.