

# **BUENOS AIRES (Ezeiza Intl) (EZE/SAEZ)**

Elevation 67ft

## **CATEGORY A**

AV brief not required

#### **GENERAL**

- Buenos Aires is situated on the south shore of the Rio de la Plata estuary (in Argentina)
- Ezeiza Intl is located SSW of the city with no significant terrain in the vicinity
- During months when early morning fog is expected, there is a risk of diversion. Diversion airfields further away than MVD have limited facilities which may preclude a quick 'fuel and go'.

#### **Threats**

#### **Runway Excursion**

- Rwy 11/29 is the main landing runway and is 60m wide, giving the illusion of being too low
- This is particularly significant if a last minute visual approach is requested by ATC
- Rwy 17/35 is 45m wide
- Runway end markings are non-existent and the runway end can only be identified by a change
  in tarmac colour. Raised yellow runway end lights are positioned a few feet before this and
  should be used as the end of the runway.

# **Loss of Control**

 If landing Rwy 11 exercise extra caution if vacating on to Rwy 17/35 which may be active, particularly during LVOs

# **Special Considerations**

- Use standard R/T phraseology to avoid language difficulties
- It is highly likely a clearance for a procedural ILS may be changed to a visual approach whilst flying overhead and the procedure for flying this should be appropriately considered

# **ARRIVAL**

Diversion Airports			
MONTEVIDEO	MVD/SUMU	234 nm/090°T	CAT A
CORDOBA	COR/SACO	355 nm/306°T	CAT A
SAO PAULO Intl	GRU/SBGR	931 nm/043°T	CAT B
RIO DE JANEIRO Intl	GIG/SBGL	1080 nm/048°T	CAT B

# **Approach**

- Actual and forecast weather has been known to be inaccurate, particularly during local winter months
- Radar is only used to monitor aircraft so radar vectors are very rare
- Arrivals tend to be via PAPIX to EZE followed by a procedural approach

# Route Information Manual

- Occasionally a routing to ARSOT may be given
- Low TA of 3,000ft means procedural arrivals may commence above TL
- Occasionally crew will be cleared for an approach from a FL without a trigger to set QNH

### **GROUND**

- Simfest use stands 2-11
- Wingtip clearance is tight between B747-400 aircraft and aircraft parked on stands 4-6 when taxiing around the edge of the ramp
- Exercise caution if conducting a 180° turn on Rwy 11/29 due lack of runway end markings
- Rwy 11 and Rwy 35 backtracks follow yellow taxi lines in to turn pad and use aircraft type markings on the tarmac to identify correct taxi line for an anticlockwise turn on to the runway

## **DEPARTURE**

- Request clearance from Ground as soon as practical advising expected pushback time
- On departure an altitude restriction may be given just prior to takeoff this is normally lifted when established on the departure radial or a given DME distance has been achieved

#### **WEATHER**

- Sudden, unexpected weather changes are common in the Rio de la Plata estuary
- · Line squalls associated with cold fronts approach rapidly from SW
- The warm waters of the estuary aggravate the intensity of the squalls
- During May/Jun and Aug/Sep, unforecast reduction in visibility is possible
- Poor weather conditions at Buenos Aires may also affect Montevideo
- Summer large Cbs form inland and may affect the airfield
- Winter Fog and low cloud forming over the South Atlantic drifts over the airfield and radiation fog may form at night

# **OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

Handling Agent	Intercargo SAC
Handling Agent VHF	131.35
Potable Water	Uplift permitted

IF ONLY Electrical Power is required	Use APU
If BOTH electrical power and air conditioning is required:	Use APU