

# Greece Winter Runway Closures

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## Key Points

- **Several airports in Greece will be affected by winter runway works through to the end of March.**
- **These include: LGZA/Zakynthos, LGKF/Kefalonia, LGKR/Corfu, LGMK/Mykonos, LGSR/Santorini, LGRP/Rhodes, LGSK/Skiathos, LGTS/Thessaloniki, LGSA/Chania, LGIR/Heraklion and LGMT/Mytilene.**
- **Expect a mix of recurring weekly closures and day to day restrictions, and in many cases reduced runway distances. At some airports, declared distances are down to around 1400m, which will rule out certain aircraft types altogether.**



Greek Airports with winter closures.

You can find all the details on the Notams, but here's a quick rundown of the planned closures and reductions in runway lengths:

#### **LGZA/Zakynthos**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 16/34 closed from Feb 2-17.

#### **LGKF/Kefalonia**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 14/32 closed at various times on different days until Jan 30. Times vary daily but mostly around midday, up to 4 hrs.

#### **LGKR/Corfu**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 16/34 closed from Jan 12-27.

#### **LGMK/Mykonos**

Shortened Runway: RWY 16 reduced to 1400m, RWY 34 reduced to 1400m until Mar 25.

Full Runway Closure: RWY 16/34 closed Tuesday through Wednesday nights on a recurring weekly basis until Mar 19.

#### **LGSR/Santorini**

Shortened Runway: RWY 15 reduced to 1802m, RWY 33 reduced to 1874m until Feb 25.

Full Runway Closure: RWY 15/33 closed from Jan 12 to Jan 20.

#### **LGMT/Mytilene**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 14/32 closed every Tuesday all day until Mar 25.

#### **LGRP/Rhodes**

Shortened Runway: RWY 06 reduced to 1900m, RWY 24 reduced to 1900m until Mar 25.

Full Runway Closure: RWY 06/24 closed on a recurring weekly basis, typically from Tuesday evening until late Wednesday evening until Mar 25.

#### **LGSK/Skiathos**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 01/19 closed for most of January, with only short morning or afternoon reopening windows on certain days, until Feb 1.

#### **LGTS/Thessaloniki**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 16/34 closed from Jan 19 to Mar 6. RWY 10/28 remains in use.

#### **LGSA/Chania**

Shortened Runway: RWY 11L/29R reduced to 1900m until Mar 27, with RWY 29R threshold displaced. Straight-in minima are not authorised (circling only). RWY 29R approach lights are out of service.

#### **LGIR/Heraklion**

Full Runway Closure: RWY 09/27 closed from Jan 19-26 due to resurfacing works. Operations are on RWY 12/30 for day ops only, limited to Code letter B aircraft (incl. ATR42/72). IFR arrivals are suggested via RNP RWY 27, then visual or circling. If visibility drops below 10 km or ceiling below 2000 ft, arriving aircraft must fly VFR.

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Further closures may be announced beyond the end of March – check on Fraport’s homepage for updates.

Have you operated into Greece during the winter recently? How was it on the ground, and did anything catch you by surprise?

If you have tips, experiences, or useful local insight to share, we would love to hear from you. Drop us a note at [team@ops.group](mailto:team@ops.group)!