



FIFA 2026: Transport Canada Aviation Elements



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Transportation Safety & Security

- Transport Canada has engaged with host cities, industry operators, FIFA, other federal departments, provincial counterparts and US and Mexico.
- Risk assessments and engagement has resulted in operational planning and mitigation measures.
- Assessments to remain evergreen, including TC's work with federal security partners. This will inform if added security measures are required.
- TC's commitments – increase regulatory and enforcement activities as required and support law enforcement initiatives.

Airport Preparations & Added Capacity

- Manageable volume estimates.
- Vancouver, Pearson and Billy Bishop Airports have operational plans to manage increased passenger volumes, enhanced flow for both FIFA teams and fans.
- Two FBOs will be used, one at YYZ and one at YVR, to accept FIFA charter flights (about 40 total).
- Increased CATSA staffing to support efficient screening.
- Coordination with CBSA on systems, FBO and screening.
- Coordination with GAC on heads of state and dignitaries.
- Public communications for key messages - e.g., transportation safety rules, early arrivals.

Airspace & Drone Restrictions

- Transport Canada's Aeronautical Information Circular, published by NAV CANADA, outlines periods of airspace changes and restrictions from June 12-July 7 ((AIC) 008/2026).
- Includes: Notice to Air Missions (NOTAMs), restricted airspace within the vicinity of both the Billy Bishop and Vancouver Harbour Control Zones and drone use over key locations.
- NAV CANADA has enhanced its staff base.
- Public communications and outreach on safe drone operations, drone restrictions over training and event locations.

FIFA Dates & Concurrent Pressures

- TC is engaged with federal security partners, including Canadian Centre for Cyber Security and the RCMP. Special sessions provided.
- Wildfires (now to October 31), Canada Day, other FIFA-related events planned in each city.
- Canadian Match Dates: (June 12, 13, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26 and July 2, 7)

Early Reporting & Increased Vigilance

- TC Situation Centre (SITCEN) does 24/7 watch for transportation incidents.
- Connected closely to other federal operations centres and the Public Safety Government Operations Centre.
- Increased vigilance and early reporting will enable rapid responses as required.

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