

GANDER (YQX/CYQX)

Elevation 496ft

CATEGORY A

AV brief not available

GENERAL

- The airfield is located to the east of the town of Gander, in the north-east of Newfoundland
- Known as 'The Crossroads of the World' the airport was once the largest in the world and a major stopping point for transatlantic traffic
- Large Westerly variation

Threats

Runway Incursion

- Backtrack required for Rwy 03/31 departures

Runway Excursion

- Braking action surveys are not routinely taken when the runway is wet with no other contamination. Runway friction reports are averaged over the whole runway and not given per third
- Non-active runways as designated by ATC are available by flight crew request but may not be maintained or cleared of contamination.
- Poorer than anticipated braking action is cited as a contributory factor to the overrun of an AN-124 in 2007

Mid Air/Ground Collision

- Helicopter and training traffic operates and in particular there is heavy activity around the intersection of Twys A and C.

ARRIVAL

Diversion Airports

ST JOHN'S	YYT/CYYT	107 nm/137°T	CAT A
STEPEHENVILLE	YJT/CYJT	160 nm/263°T	CAT B
HALIFAX	YHZ/CYHZ	440 nm/240°T	CAT A
GOOSE BAY	YYR/CYYR	343 nm/322°T	CAT A

WEATHER

- Snowfall averages 18-20 inches per month Oct-Apr but heaviest snowfall is Jan-Mar
- Fog and low cloud is common. Advection fog caused by airflow over the cold Labrador current most frequent in spring and early summer. Early morning radiation fog slow to clear in winter.
- Summer gives some thunderstorms
- Prevailing wind westerly in winter, southwesterly in summer.

OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Handling Agent	Ogden Allied
Handling Agent VHF	129.1
Potable Water	Uplift permitted

IF ONLY Electrical Power is required	Use ground power at all times
If BOTH electrical power and air conditioning is required:	Use APU (ACU equipment not available). Keep GPU connected to reduce APU fuel burn.