

## RECIFE / Guararapes-Gilberto Freyre Intl (REC/SBRF)

Elevation 33ft

### CATEGORY A

AV brief not required

### GENERAL

- Guararapes-Gilberto Freyre Intl is located 9 NM from downtown Recife.
- Joint civil/mil airfield
- Large W'ly variation (22°W)
- What happens in Recife stays in Recife

### Threats

#### CFIT

- Terrain rises inland with spot heights to 1400ft amsl within 20NM
- Numerous small hills and obstructions to the west of the airfield with spot heights from 400-1,000ft amsl

#### Runway Incursion

- Parallel taxiways M and D are insufficiently far from the runway centreline to permit simultaneous operations with widebody aircraft

### ARRIVAL

#### Diversions Airports

NATAL	NAT/SBSG	143 nm/349°T	CAT A
FORTALEZA	FOR/SBFZ	338 nm/320°T	CAT A
RIO DE JANEIRO	GIG/SBGL	1000 nm/208°T	CAT B

### Approach

- ILS only available for Rwy 18. Rwy 36 has a straightforward runway-aligned RNAV or offset VOR letdown.
- Note large westerly variation (22°W) and resulting discrepancy between METAR winds (true) and magnetic heading

### GROUND

- Taxiways and aprons are quite tight and congestion is likely
- The parallel taxiways are located too close to the runway centreline to permit simultaneous use of the runway with aircraft larger than A321 size taxiing for departure. Caution is required when taxiing a widebody aircraft.
- Parking is on the main apron on the south-eastern corner of the airfield.

**WEATHER**

- Recife has a tropical monsoon climate with warm to hot temperatures and high humidity throughout the year.
- The warmest months are January and February with temperatures in the region of 30°C
- July is the cloudiest month and sees the most rainfall
- November is usually dry and sunny

**OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

Handling Agent	DNATA
Handling Agent VHF	
Potable Water	Uplift not permitted

IF ONLY Electrical Power is required	Use ground power at all times
If BOTH electrical power and air conditioning is required:	Use both ground services at all times