



PUBLIC NOTICE RETURN TO THE HISTORICAL PREFERENTIAL-RUNWAY SYSTEM

After having submitted a request to change the preferential-runway system and now that the applicable administrative formalities are completed, Aéroports de Montréal obtained Transport Canada's authorization to change the system for night flights.

As of February 9, 2009, Montréal–Trudeau airport will return to its original runway assignment system that was in effect before September 2006 and which prioritizes Runways 24 (toward Lac St-Louis).

The original system had been changed in September 2006 in an attempt to minimize sound impact through the use of lower noise flight paths over less populated areas. The original system is being reinstated due to the suspension of the left-turn takeoff procedure from runway 06L, which was not meeting the four required performance criteria. [For more details, click here.](#)

Keep in mind that, like other Canadian airports, Montréal–Trudeau is open 24 hours a day. However, takeoffs for aircraft weighing more than 45,000 kg are restricted from midnight to a.m. and for landings from 1 a.m. to 7 a.m.



*Southwesterly/westerly winds (70% of the time)
Runway 24L for takeoff and 24R for landing*



Northeasterly/easterly winds (30% of the time)
Runways 06 for takeoff and landings