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Adverse weather conditions on 2 février 2009

- Shifting winds expected between 2 and 3 p.m. -

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Reminder: The objective of all winter operations is to ensure the safety of passengers. Indeed, low visibility, ice on aircraft wings or the volatility of winds have a direct influence on the safety of aircraft and passengers.

Paris-Charles de Gaulle airport

- Opening of snow command center: 1 a.m.
- Snow clearing teams: 150 people have been working since the beginning of the night to pre-emptively clear the runways, taxiways and aircraft stands.
- De-icing capacities are optimum.
- Number of operational runways: all four. All the runways have been operational and safe since 5 a.m.
- Average delays at 12.30 p.m.: 60 minutes, for departures as well as arrivals.

► Météo France forecast changes in wind direction between 2 and 3 p.m. The French civil aviation authority (DGAC) will hence certainly temporarily reduce the take off and landing capacities in order to reorganize aircraft flight path in the sky.

Paris-Orly airport

- Snow removal teams: 90 people have been working since 3 a.m. to pre-emptively clear the runways and the taxiways.
- 8 cm of snow
- Number of operational runways: all two.
- Disrupted traffic between 6 and 9 a.m. further to difficulties to provide aircraft with fuel (the aviation fuel suppliers working with airlines operating at Paris-Orly airport had met difficulties linked to the specificity of their material this morning).
- Average delays at 12.30 p.m.: 2 hours for departures and 60 minutes for arrivals.

Aéroports de Paris advises passengers to contact their airline in order to get more information about their flight.

Adverse weather conditions in Europe are causing delays in traffic between Paris and Great-Britain. Departing flights from Heathrow airport have been postponed until 5 p.m., Gatwick was temporarily closed last night and London City was closed this morning.

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