



AERFORT CHONAMARA & AERADRÓIM OILEÁIN ÁRAINN
2026

Cur síos ar Aerfort Chonamara, Na Mine, Co. na Gaillimhe, agus na h-aeradróim atá lonnaithe ar Oileán Árinn.

DRCDG - Rannóg na n-Oileáin

Facilities: Information & Requirements

The Department for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht own Aerfort Chonamara. The aerodromes on Oileáin Árann are owned by Údarás na Gaeltachta, Na Forbacha, Contae na Gaillimhe.

Aerfort Chonamara – EICA

Aerfort Chonamara (H91 DC80) is a state-owned regional airport located 30 km west of Galway City at na Mine, Conamara. It is where the PSO air service, serving Oileáin Árann, is based.



Runway

Aerfort Chonamara has a single asphalt runway, dimensions 600m x 18m, but does not have lighting facilities. It has recently been fully resurfaced. It is an ICAO Category G unrestricted airfield where aircraft operate using visual flight rules (VFR) with the radio tower being answered at the airfield's discretion. There is no formal Air Traffic Control (ATC). Radio has little to no jurisdiction.

- (i) 600m of asphalt/bitumen runway, with a direction of 230 degrees-suitable for aircraft with wingspan <15m.
- (ii) Runway is not lit or equipped with lights ILS and hence only suitable for good visibility daytime operations
- (iii) Taxiways of 13m width.
- (iv) Hard stand parking of approximately 3,600m²

Terminal building

The main terminal is a two-storey building and has a ground floor footfall of approximately 300m². The first floor is of equal size and is vacant.

Aircraft Hangar

Aerfort Chonamara has a medium sized hangar building to house aircrafts. It has recently been fully insulated and has new garage doors fitted.



It has a internal workshop, where aircraft maintenance is carried out. There is also a spare-parts store located within the Hangar space.



Fire Tenders & Garage

Located beside the hangar is an enclosed garage space where fire tenders vehicles are parked overnight. All fire fighting equipment and apparatus are stored here.



Regarding Fire Cover – there is a dispensation in place for two fire tenders and three staff in attendance for an incident - one on phone(s), two to respond.

There are 3 vehicles assigned as Fire Tenders at Aerfort Chonamara:

No.	Year of build	Make/Model	Status
(i)	2015	Isuzu 4X4	Primary Fire truck
(ii)	N/A	Toyota -Hilux	Secodary Fire truck
(iii)	1994	Massey Ferguson	N/A

Further details regarding fire vehicles are provided in section '*Rescue And Fire Fighting Services (RFFS)*' below.

Emergency Water Bladder



Located by the Fire Station is a water bladder that can provide significant additional water, if required, during a fire emergency.

Fuel Farm



Located to the left of the terminal building is a fuel farm. All aviation fuels are stored at this location.

Oileáin Árann Aerodromes

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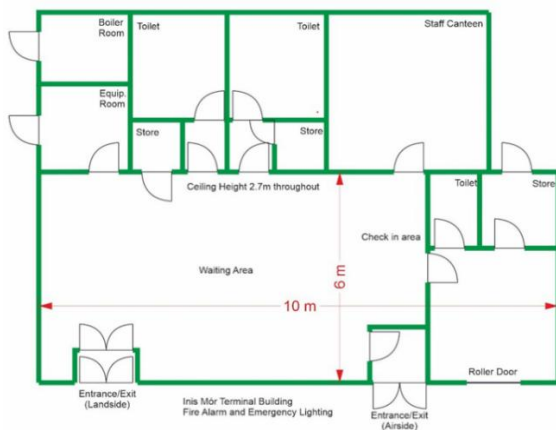
The aerodrome on Árainn (Inis Mór) is located 2 Km southeast of Cill Rónáin (H91 TR72). It has a single runway of bituminous construction, 490m long by 18m wide.

There is limited airfield lighting, and the rescue and fire-fighting equipment is appropriate to the requirements of the Irish Aviation Authority for Category 2 Aerodromes, capable of fixed wing aircraft of overall length less than 12.0m, but greater than 9.0m, fuselage width less than 2.0m (Britten-Norman Islander - BN2, or similar).

Terminal building



The terminal building is located to the west side of the site and is a single storey structure of approximately 100m².

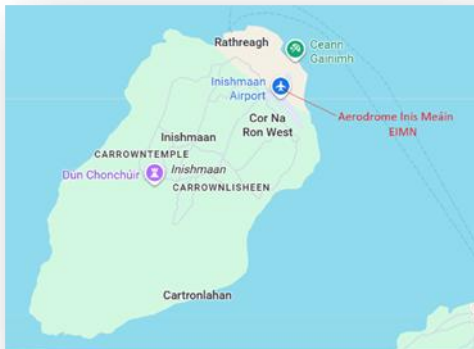


The main entrance leads to a public waiting and the check-in desk.

Passenger access to an aircraft is through this part of the building only.

The building has public toilets and numerous storerooms.

Inis Meáin -EIMN



The aerodrome on Inis Meáin is located to the north-east of the Island. (H91 VX28).

The aerodrome has one operational runway of bituminous construction, which is 534m long by 18m wide.

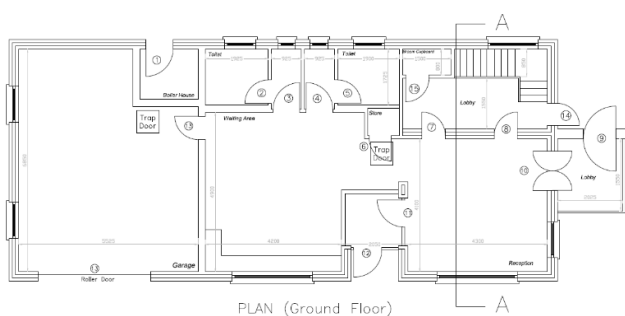
There is limited airfield lighting, and the rescue and fire-fighting equipment is appropriate to the requirements of the Irish Aviation Authority for Category 2 Aerodromes, capable of fixed wing aircraft of overall length less than 12.0m, but greater than 9.0m, fuselage width less than 2.0m (Britten-Norman Islander - BN2, or similar).

Terminal building



The terminal building is located to the Northwest side of the runway.

The ground floor footprint is approximately 100m².



The main entrance leads the public, via a glass covered lobby, to the check-in desk and waiting area. Access to the aircraft is from this area.

The terminal has public toilets and a storeroom.

A large garage (approx. 35m²) forms part of the building and houses the fire tender.

Inis Oírr – EIIR



The aerodrome in Inis Oírr is located to the Northeast of the Island. (H91 R2A4).

It has a single runway of bituminous construction, 520m long by 18m wide

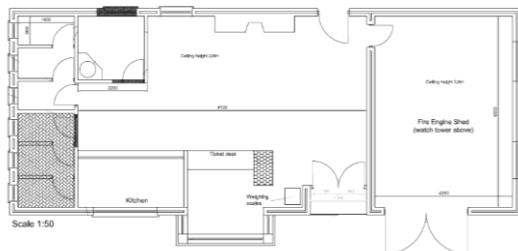
There is limited airfield lighting, and the rescue and fire-fighting equipment is appropriate to the requirements of the Irish Aviation Authority for Category 2 Aerodromes, capable of fixed wing aircraft of overall length less than 12.0m, but greater than 9.0m, fuselage width less than 2.0m (Britten-Norman Islander - BN2, or similar).

Terminal building



The terminal building is located to the South of the runway.

The ground floor footprint is approximately 90m².



The main entrance leads the public to the check-in desk and waiting area. Access to the aircraft is from this area.

The terminal has public toilets and a storeroom.

A large garage (approx. 24m²) forms part of the building and houses the fire tender.

Rescue And Fire Fighting Services (RFFS)

Each aerodrome is equipped with rescue, first-aid and firefighting equipment appropriate to the size of the aircraft using that facility. This equipment is kept in readiness and procedures maintained for its instant use during operations.

The specifications of fire tenders currently at Aerfort Chonamara and the island Aerodromes are set out below:

Aerfort Chonamara:

There are 3 vehicles assigned to RFFS at Aerfort Chonamara – EICA. They are compliant with the requirements as set down by the IAA.

These are:

No.	Year of build	Make/Model	Status
(i)	2015	Isuzu 4X4	Primary Fire truck
(ii)	N/A	Toyota -Hilux	Secodary Fire truck
(iii)	1994	Massey Ferguson	N/A

Árainn (Inis Mór):

The rescue and fire-fighting equipment at EIIM Árainn is appropriate to the requirements of the Irish Aviation Authority for Category 2 Aerodromes.

2 fire tenders are located at the aerodrome and are always parked at the aerodrome.



Make: Toyota
Model: Hilux
Year: 2023
Call name : Rescue 1



Make: Iuszu
Model: D-Max
Year: 2016
Call name: Rescue 2



Rescue 1 & 2 are parked overnight on site adjacent to the terminal building.

Inis Meáin:

The rescue and fire-fighting equipment at Inis Meáin - EIMN is appropriate to the requirements of the Irish Aviation Authority for Category 2 Aerodromes.



Make: Toyota
Model: Hilux
Year: 2023
Call name: Rescue 1



Make: Ford
Model: Ranger
Year: 2023
Call name: Rescue 2



Both rescue vehicles are parked (enclosed) beside the terminal building.

Inis Oírr:

The rescue and fire-fighting equipment at Inis Oírr – EIIR is appropriate to the requirements of the Irish Aviation Authority for Category 2 Aerodromes.



Make: Toyota
Model: Hilux
Year: 2023
Call name: Rescue 1



Make: Ford
Model: Ranger
Year: 2023
Call name: Rescue 2

PSO Fares / Charges

The charges in the following table are applicable in respect of all aircraft types using Aerfort Chonamara and the Aerodromes on Oileáin Árann:

Flight Category	Fee per Aircraft Landing	Fee per Departing Passenger
Subsidised Flight:	€0.00	€0.00
Non-Subsidised Flight:	€10.00 ¹	€1.00

The provision of Airport and Aerodrome management services for non-subsidised flight operators is permitted on the condition that such flights do not interfere with the delivery of the subsidised service.

Hours of Operations

Subject to the published conditions of use, Aerfort Chonamara and Oileáin Árann Aerodromes and their facilities shall be kept continuously available for flight operations during the published hours of operation, irrespective of weather conditions.

¹ A scheduled flight landing at both Inis Meáin and Inis Oírr is only charged once.

Aerfort Chonamara		
	Mon- Sat	Sun
1 st March – 30 th Sept	08:00 to 17:30	09:00 to 17:30
1 st Oct – 28 th Feb	08:00 to 17:00	09:00 to 17:00

Aerodrome Árann (Inis Mór)			
	Mon -Fri	Sat	Sun
1 st March – 30 th Sep	08:15 to 17:00	08:45 to 17:00	09:00 to 17:00
1 st Oct – 28 th Feb	08:15 to 17:00	08:45 to 17:00	09:00 to 17:00

Aerodrome Inis Meáin & Aerodrome Inis Oírr			
	Mon -Fri	Sat	Sun
1 st March – 30 th Sep	08:45 to 17:00	08:45 to 17:00	09:00 to 17:00
1 st Oct – 28 th Feb	08:45 to 17:00	08:45 to 17:00	09:00 to 17:00