

Lufthansa Cargo B777 freighter with Mexico livery.

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Lufthansa Cargo expands cargo services to two airports in Mexico City

- Lufthansa Cargo moves freighter flights to Felipe Ángeles Airport (NLU) starting July 7
- Expansion of cargo services at both Mexico City international airports (MEX and NLU) thanks to passenger and cargo connections and complementary truck shuttle services

Lufthansa Cargo will permanently operate all B777 freighter flights that previously served Mexico City International Airport (MEX, also known as Aeropuerto Internacional de la Ciudad de México, AICM) to Felipe Ángeles International Airport (NLU, also known as Aeropuerto Internacional Felipe Ángeles, AIFA) starting July 7, 2023. Lufthansa Cargo is thus following the requirements of a decree issued by the Mexican government, which prohibits airlines from flying freighters to Mexico City Airport (MEX) in the future for capacity reasons.

From the beginning of July, cargo airlines will operate flights to the modern Felipe Ángeles Airport (NLU) about 45 km northeast of Mexico City. The airport has been in operation since last year and is located on the site of a former military airfield, surrounded by an infrastructure that continues to grow steadily.

Lufthansa Cargo is offering a total of six freighter connections with Boeing 777F aircraft to and from Mexico City's second major airport, Felipe Ángeles (NLU), in the current 2023 summer flight schedule. The freighters depart from the hub in Frankfurt (FRA) on Tuesdays to Sundays at midday and reach their destination at Felipe Ángeles Airport (NLU) in the early hours of the night. The freighter flights can be booked from June 16. Customers will find Lufthansa Cargo at Felipe Ángeles Airport (NLU) at Terminal Logistics Recinto Fiscalizado Almacén #12 CR293.

In addition to the freighter connections, Lufthansa Airlines passenger aircraft also regularly transport goods as belly cargo to Mexico City (MEX) Airport in the east of the Mexican metropolis. Seven weekly direct flights from Frankfurt with the Boeing 747-8 as well as three weekly Airbus A350 connections from Munich continue to serve Mexico City Airport (MEX). Lufthansa Cargo ensures that the transfer time of cargo shipments between the two Mexican capital airports is fast and efficient with truck shuttle services.

"As part of the necessary relocation of freighter flights to Mexico City's northeastern airport, we have successfully established both the import and export processes on site to our usual high standards in a very short time, as well as set up a fast and reliable nighttime truck transport service for freight shipments between NLU and MEX," explains Frank Nozinsky, Director, Sales & Handling, Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, Central America and Caribbean at Lufthansa Cargo.

"Mexico City is a cargo destination in high demand. We are therefore very pleased to be present at both international airports together with Lufthansa Airlines and to offer our customers seamless connections for their cargo shipments here together with our warehouse partners," adds Ashwin Bhat, CEO of Lufthansa Cargo.

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With revenue of 4.6 billion euros and a transport performance of 7.2 billion freight ton kilometers in 2022, Lufthansa Cargo is one of the world's leading companies in the transport of airfreight. The company currently employs around 4,100 people worldwide. Lufthansa Cargo's focus is on the airport-toairport business. The route network covers around 300 destinations in more than 100 countries, using both freighter aircraft and cargo capacity from passenger aircraft operated by Lufthansa, Austrian Airlines, Brussels Airlines, Eurowings Discover and SunExpress, as well as trucks. The majority of the cargo business is handled via Frankfurt Airport. Lufthansa Cargo is pursuing the goal of becoming the world's most environmentally friendly cargo airline. To achieve this, the company relies on state-of-the-art technologies and constant investments in the area of sustainability. In 2022, important milestones were reached, such as the investment in the continuous expansion of the B777F fleet, the expansion of short- and medium-haul networks with A321 freighters, and the continuation of the Sustainable Aviation Fuel program. In 2023, Lufthansa Cargo plans to successively equip its B777F fleet with Sharkskin technology, implement further digital services and contribute to reducing CO2 emissions through sustainable logistics solutions. Lufthansa Cargo is a wholly owned subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG and the specialist for the logistics business of the Lufthansa Group.

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