



COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT

Continental Airlines is committed to promoting environmental responsibility within its culture.

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DID YOU KNOW ?

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Global climate change is an important issue and Continental Airlines recognizes that reducing greenhouse gas emissions is everyone's responsibility. Certainly, we do not have all the answers, but we have taken decisive steps to incorporate environmental stewardship into our culture.

One such step is the creation of our corporate initiative, Eco-Skies™. Under the Eco-Skies banner, we seek ways to help minimize our carbon footprint and encourage our customers and suppliers to do the same. By doing so, we are certain to maintain a keen awareness of the environmental impact of our business and the effect it has on the future of us all.

OUR FLEET

- Continental has achieved a 35 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and fuel consumption per revenue passenger mile flown, due in large part to an investment of more than \$12 billion during the past 10 years to acquire 270 fuel-efficient aircraft and related equipment.
- Continental is the most fuel-efficient major U.S. network carrier (Source: U.S. Dept. of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Form 41 fuel consumption data of the most recent available year for U.S. airlines calculated by revenue ton mile).
- Every year for the last 10 years, Continental has flown more people, more miles, to more locations. At the same time, we have reduced greenhouse gas emissions by 2 million metric tons by modernizing our fleet.
- All Continental aircraft are twin-engine aircraft, which burn less fuel and emit less carbon dioxide (CO₂) than comparable three- and four-engine aircraft.
- We installed advanced-technology GE90 3D Aero Blades – a more efficient fan blade – on our Boeing 777 engines, reducing emissions and fuel consumption on our longest range aircraft.
- We have committed to invest in additional new, fuel-efficient aircraft and ground equipment worth more than \$11 billion, with even cleaner technology, through 2015.
- We were the first U.S. carrier to order the Boeing 787, which will be equipped with GE's emissions-reducing GEnx engine and will be the most environmentally advanced aircraft in the world.
- Continental has placed one of the largest orders for the Boeing 787 in the U.S., with 25 aircraft scheduled for delivery.
- More than 250 aircraft in our fleet are equipped with winglets, which are wingtip extensions that lower aircraft drag and result in up to a 5 percent reduction in emissions and noise.
- We were the first airline in the world to retrofit Boeing 757-200 and 737-500 aircraft with winglets.
- Continental is the first major U.S. carrier to announce plans to perform a flight test in 2009 using sustainable biofuels that could help to further reduce carbon emissions.

OUR OPERATIONS AND PROCEDURES

- Continental is actively working with governments around the world to identify more efficient air traffic routes and airspace configurations.
- To reduce emissions and fuel usage further, we enhanced our flight-planning system to minimize fuel burn and will be implementing a new flight-planning system with next generation technology.
- We have invested in technology and personnel in our System Operations Coordination Center to improve the flight-planning function.
- Where possible, we provide aircraft parked at the gate with air conditioning and electric power via alternative, energy-saving methods rather than using the aircraft's own auxiliary power units.
- We use only one engine during ground taxi whenever possible.
- We use ground equipment instead of aircraft engines to move aircraft from gate to gate whenever possible.
- Our pilots and dispatchers are trained in the most fuel-efficient operating procedures.
- We fly at more fuel-efficient speeds and altitudes.
- We have reduced the use of fuel-driven thrust reversers on landing.
- We routinely wash aircraft and engines to reduce drag and emissions.
- We will continue to reduce emissions through aircraft weight reduction initiatives such as using lighter meal service carts, limiting where we board potable water, and transitioning from steel brakes to lighter carbon brakes.



OUR GROUND SERVICE EQUIPMENT

- We have reduced by 75 percent nitrogen oxide emissions from ground equipment at Houston, Continental's largest hub airport, by switching to electric ground service equipment and other new technology.
- We operate certified Low Emission Vehicles (LEV) in many locations.
- Continental continues its proactive implementation of electric ground support equipment throughout its operating system as opportunities arise.
- We are testing alternative fuel and fuel additives for long-term use in ground service equipment.



OUR FACILITIES

- Terminal E, located at our Houston hub, is approximately 15 percent more efficient than a traditional terminal due to new technologies and materials used in construction.
- We are committed to building our new airport facilities according to U.S. Green Building Council's "Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design" (LEED) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's "Energy Star" standards where feasible.
- We work closely with hub airports and hub cities to establish environmental mitigation programs for large development projects.
- We have energy-efficient lighting systems at many of our maintenance facilities and are currently evaluating the addition of solar panels to some aircraft hangars.

WORKING TOGETHER

- We worked with local governments to establish New York City's first direct multi-modal airport railway service.
- We are a member of Texas' High Speed Rail Transportation initiative, which seeks to connect the major Texas cities with high-speed rail.
- Continental's recycling program spans operations at our maintenance facilities, offices, flight kitchens and aircraft. Continental is committed to increasing recycling as new opportunities emerge and is working to enhance recycling of in-flight and terminal items and donating revenue to its employee assistance charity, We Care.
- Continental's Chelsea Food services division streamlined all of its seven flight kitchens processes to enhance, capture and recover catering and in-flight items for recycling. Select flight kitchens donate unused food items to local food banks.
- Continental has more than 1,000 at-home reservations agents, further reducing the number of employees who commute to work.

CARBON OFFSET PROGRAM

Continental has joined Sustainable Travel International (STI) in our commitment to help protect the environment by offering our customers an opportunity to contribute to carbon offsets that are designed to reduce the environmental impact of a customer's trip.

- When customers choose to offset the emissions of their flight, Continental and STI help customers select and contribute their carbon offsets to high-impact projects, designed to reduce greenhouse gases, such as reforestation or renewable energy.
- The voluntary program allows customers worldwide to view the carbon footprint of their booked itineraries, which STI calculates from the actual fuel consumption of Continental's aircraft, and make a contribution to STI.
- STI is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing education and services that support environmental conservation. STI provides carbon offset projects that are located around the world and independently verified or certified by third-party sources.



ACCOLADES

- Listed as one of the top 10 companies in the world on *FORTUNE* magazine's 2007 World's Most Admired list in the Social/Environment category.
- Recognized by *FORTUNE* magazine as one of 10 "Green Giants", corporations whose environmental policies go beyond what is required.
- Received NASA Recognition Award as a result of participation in the Aircraft Particle Emissions eXperiment, which studied the exhaust of jet aircraft and the environment.
- Acknowledged by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Department of Transportation as Best Workplaces for CommutersSM.
- Received Environmental Stewardship Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Design for the Environment Program for using a more environmentally friendly pretreatment in its aircraft painting process.

