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## Norwegian Air Argentina granted an Air Operator's Certificate by the Argentine Government

The low-fare airline Norwegian Air Argentina (NAA) received today the Air Services Operator Certificate (AOC) from the National Government. The document recognizes the company as a commercial airline, and certifies that it complies with safety and quality standards to carry out aeronautical operations and activities, in accordance with the law of the Argentine Republic.

**Bjørn Kjos, CEO of Norwegian, said:** “We are honored to receive the

authorization by the Argentine Government and we thank the Minister of Transportation Guillermo Dietrich and his team for the trust in Norwegian. This is great news that shows that we are getting closer to the start of our operations in Argentina with our safe, efficient and friendly service”.

**Ole Christian Melhus, CEO of Norwegian Air Argentina, said:** “We received the AOC with great enthusiasm and honor and it is a major milestone for our journey in Argentina. We also thank the director of the National Administration of Civil Aviation, Tomás Insausti and all his team for their professionalism and dedication. Now we will focus on starting to offer safe flights and affordable fares to millions of passengers soon, as well as job creation and contributing to the stimulation of the local economy”.

Norwegian Air Argentina is an Argentine airline and was set up in March 2017. On December 11th, 2017, the Argentine Government granted Norwegian Air Argentina 152 routes; among them, 72 domestic destinations and 80 international. The company received its first aircraft B 737-800 the past January 15th with local Hero Astor Piazzolla as the Tail Fin Hero.

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### **Norwegian in the UK:**

- Norwegian carries **5.8 million UK passengers each year** from London Gatwick, Edinburgh and Manchester Airports to **50 destinations worldwide**
- Norwegian is the **third largest airline at London Gatwick**, with 4.6 million yearly passengers, and with more than 1,000 UK-based pilots and cabin crew
- In 2014, Norwegian introduced the **UK’s first low-cost, long haul flights to the U.S.** - the airline now flies to 11 U.S destinations, Buenos Aires and Singapore
- In 2017, Norwegian also launched **affordable transatlantic flights from Edinburgh, Belfast, Dublin, Cork and Shannon** to the US East Coast, using the brand new Boeing 737 MAX aircraft
- Norwegian is the only airline to offer **free inflight WiFi** on UK flights to more than 30 European destinations
- The airline has one of the **youngest aircraft fleets in the world** with an average age of 3.6 years, including next-generation Boeing 787 Dreamliners, Boeing 737 MAX and Boeing 737-800s
- Norwegian has been **voted ‘Europe’s best low-cost carrier’** by

**passengers** for five consecutive years at SkyTrax World Airline Awards from 2013-2017, along with being awarded the **'World's best low-cost long-haul airline'** in 2015, 2016 and 2017

- Norwegian Reward is the airline's free to join **award-winning loyalty programme** offering members CashPoints and Rewards that reduce the cost of Norwegian flights

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