

## Late-Breaking Air Hauler Features

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**In-Flight Saves !!!** - This is the big one. People visiting the AH site (before it was closed down in favor of the newly-opened JF one) were quick to ask about that. It was probably the most frequently asked question. In a surprise, last-minute move, this has been implemented and added to AH. You will be able to save an in-progress flight without landing and will be able to re-start it in a later session. Remember though, that RW clock is still ticking down toward the job expiration time.

**Landing Surface Monitoring/Damage** – AH now knows which runway surface types are available at the airport you're landing at. If you touch down on a surface that is not on the list, your AC will suffer some damage. In a related change, if you land off-airport you will not be permitted to unload cargo. The AC and cargo will need to be recovered, which will cost you some money and some time.

**Map Option for ICAO/City/Airport Name** – There's a new feature in the Options panel related to the map display. You may have the map display any or all of the following for the airports that are showing. - ICAO code; airport name; city name. All the filtering options (runway length - # of gates) for display of airports remain as before.

**Enhanced AI Options** – The tools available for managing AI flights have been improved and enhanced. AI can now carry more than one job, capacity permitting, if the cargoes originate at the same airport.

**Career Mode** – Career mode has been added. It is identical to Difficult mode, except that the owner/pilot is subject to the same AC weight limitations as AI pilots. He must earn rank/rating promotions by successful completion of a certain number of jobs in order to be permitted to operate heavier classes of aircraft.

**Custom Gates** – AH now offers the option to create a permanent custom gate at your current parking location. It's a great way to simulate your office and warehouse location at base airports.

**Save Exact Position** – A new feature in Options now permits having AH start you in exactly the parking position where you left your aircraft each time you re-start. The alternative is for AH to offer a pick list of available gates and parking locations for the airport prior to launching FS.

**Time of Day Options** – The AH Options menu now offers the following choices for establishing the time of day setting which is sent to FS when AH launches the sim.

- Current PC time
- User-specified time
- Random time

**Company Logo Imports** – AH users can now import a company logo in one of several common graphic file formats. The logo (up to 230 X 110 pixels) will be displayed on the page headers of several AH screens, including financial and Flight Report screens.

**Stats Upload to Web Page** – We're being necessarily vague on this one - it is still very much a work in progress at the last minute. There will be some capability to upload your companies' stats to a centralized web data page where all can be seen and compared. It is not the intent for this to be a leader board or anything of a competitive nature. The records on the page will be capable of being sorted by various fields and thus will provide some ranking of those stats listed but there are many ways to measure success in AH and many different ways to pursue the goals - all will not be apples and apples.