

Manual PIREPS

TL;DR: Manual PIREPS are **not allowed.**

Data generated by your flight simulator about your flight is transferred, via ACARS, to our automated *Flight Data System* for processing. It's that data transfer that enables us to create the PIREP you see and what's posted in your **logbook**.

The control inputs you make in your flight simulator while flying are the only manual elements of the data recording and transmission process – everything else is data driven.

We recognize, however, there could be an occasion where something doesn't look right at the end of your flight. In the example illustrated below, something was obviously amiss – it's not possible to be taxiing to the gate, and, after a brief pause, becoming airborne again.

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[17:36:01] Flaps set to position 6 at 1987 ft at 146 kts
[17:39:25] Touched down at -211 fpm, gear lever: down, pitch: 9, roll: 1
degrees left, 122 kts
[17:39:33] Aircraft bounced, touched back down at -20 fpm
[17:39:59] Landed in 5993 ft, fuel: 5949 kg, weight: 232348 kg
[17:39:59] Taxiing to gate
[17:41:10] Sim paused
[17:41:21] Sim unpaused
[17:41:21] Aircraft airborne
[17:41:21] Touched down early at 505 fpm, gear level: down, flaps: 6
[17:41:25] Landed in 336 ft, fuel: 5906 kg, weight: 232304 kg
[17:41:25] Taxiing to gate
[17:41:27] The flight may now be ended
[17:41:27] Arrived, flight duration: 03:50
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While exceedingly rare, these kinds of anomalies *can* occasionally occur. We certainly sympathize with you if something like this happens. However, no formal review process exists because we do not have any control over the operation of your computer, your flight simulator, the stability of your Internet connection and/or any other operational factors affecting how data is collected and transmitted to us. As a result, we must trust the data your flight simulator generates and transmits to us via ACARS to be an accurate representation of what occurred during your flight. After that transmission occurs, we do **not** have the ability to change or alter any flight data nor will we ever do so.

What to do?

Simply stated, you'll need to refile that flight.

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