

Hangzhou Airlines 2025-2026 WF56 Stops Event Guide

Essentials

Class	Description
Name	Hangzhou Airlines 2025-2026 WF56 Stops
Host	Hangzhou Airlines, VATSIM
Event Type	Second World Flight event (Open to all Hangzhou Airlines members)
Goals	1. Encourage participants to improve their English skills and gain an understanding of cultures from around the world. 2. Strengthen team cohesion within the flight group and enrich hands-on flight experience. 3. Become familiar with relevant aircraft types and enhance personal proficiency.
Time frame	Begins in late 2025, conducted in two stages: 1. Stage 1: November 24, 2025 to January 4, 2026 2. Stage 2: January 12, 2026 to February 22, 2026
Key Highlights	1. Upgraded reward system with multi-stage tasks 2. Improved event mechanics emphasizing compliant flying and overall experience. 3. Enhanced participation experience and rewards—easier to earn bonuses without staying up late.

Route planning and schedule

Stage 1 (28 stops)

Stop	DEPARTURE (ICAO)	DESTINATION (ICAO)	REMARKS
1	Seattle Tacoma (KSEA)	Bozeman (KBZN)	First Stop
2	Bozeman (KBZN)	Chicago Midway (KMDW)	-
3	Chicago Midway (KMDW)	Boston Logan (KBOS)	-
4	Boston Logan (KBOS)	Québec (CYQB)	-
5	Québec (CYQB)	St. John's (CYYT)	-
6	St. John's (CYYT)	Nuuk (BGGH)	-
7	Nuuk (BGGH)	Keflavík (BIKF)	-
8	Keflavík (BIKF)	Oslo (ENGM)	-
9	Oslo (ENGM)	Copenhagen (EKCH)	-
10	Copenhagen (EKCH)	London Gatwick (EGKK)	-
11	London Gatwick (EGKK)	Innsbruck (LOWI)	-
12	Innsbruck (LOWI)	Lyon (LFLL)	-
13	Lyon (LFLL)	Nice (LFMN)	-
14	Nice (LFMN)	Palermo (LICJ)	-
15	Palermo (LICJ)	Larnaca (LCLK)	-

16	Larnaca (LCLK)	Malta (LMML)	-
17	Malta (LMML)	Barcelona (LEBL)	-
18	Barcelona (LEBL)	Mohammed (GMMM)	-
19	Mohammed (GMMM)	Tenerife South (GCTS)	-
20	Tenerife South (GCTS)	Madeira (LPMA)	-
21	Madeira (LPMA)	Azores (LPLA)	-
22	Azores (LPLA)	Bermuda (TXKF)	-
23	Bermuda (TXKF)	Raleigh (KRDU)	-
24	Raleigh (KRDU)	Daytona Beach (KDAB)	-
25	Daytona Beach (KDAB)	New Orleans (KMSY)	-
26	New Orleans (KMSY)	Austin (KAUS)	-
27	Austin (KAUS)	Ontario (KONT)	-
28	Ontario (KONT)	Seattle Tacoma (KSEA)	Last Stop

Stage 2 (28 stops)

- 1. The announcement regarding details will be made before January 4, 2025.**
- 2. Route Features:** It is planned to cover regions not included in stage 1 (such as Asia, Oceania, South America, etc.). Specific destinations will be determined based on factors such as flight difficulty and cultural diversity. Once announced, the updates will be added to this manual.
- 3. Task Connection:** Once the stage 1 flight tasks have been fully completed, participants may continue to fly Stage 2. If Stage 1 is not completed, pilots must finish the remaining Stage 1 tasks before joining Stage 2 flights.

Important Dates

Date	Description	Responsible Department/Person
Nov. 19, 2025	Event Announcement (Include Stage 1 Route and Registration Guide)	Executive Department
Nov. 24, 2025 - Jan. 4, 2026	Stage 1 Flight (6 weeks, weekly allowable time of flight ≤ 17 hours)	Participants, Executive Department (Supervising)
Jan. 4, 2026 - Jan. 8, 2026	Stage 1 Flight Record Review (Fail to submit on time will be regarded as incomplete)	Participants, Executive Department
Jan. 9, 2026	Stage 1 Rewards Released, Stage 2 Route Announced	Event Department, Executive Department
Jan. 12, 2026 - Feb. 22, 2026	Stage 2 Flight (6 weeks, weekly allowable time of flight ≤ 17 hours)	Participants, Executive Department (Supervising)
Feb. 22, 2026 - Feb. 27, 2026	Stage 2 Flight Record Review (Fail to submit on time will be regarded as incomplete)	Participants, Executive Department
Feb. 28, 2026	Stage 2 and 56-Flight Rewards Sent.	Executive Department

Registration Rules

A. Participants

1. All HAZ Virtual Airlines pilots with eligibility for VATSIM connection.
2. Pilots should own the VAMSYS account registered as HAZ Virtual Airlines pilot.

B. Event Registration

1. Time: Within each stage period.
2. Method: Logging into VAMSYS Hangzhou Airlines account and click Register on related Event page.

Flight Regulation and Oversight

A. Core Regulations

1. **Network Connection:** Connected to VATSIM Network at all time. Before flying, you shall confirm that your account is active and your network function well; offline flights (including those where the VATSIM connection is disconnected and not reconnected in time) will NOT be counted as valid.
2. **Flight Sequence:** Flights must be done in order. Skipping (e.g., flying directly from stop 3 to stop 5) or Flying in reverse order are not allowed, otherwise, all stops involved will be considered invalid.
3. **Flight Operation:** Such actions are forbidden (Administration Department will supervise throughout the event in-regularly):
 - Leaving the Cockpit: During flights, leaving computer over 30 minutes (included) without disconnection.
 - Acceleration: Use any form of tools accelerate the flights
 - Pilot Deviation: Illegal Landing/Takeoff, Deviating from ATC instructions and using wrong runway.

4. **Duty Hours:** Flight hours of each week shall be ≤ 16 hours (Counting from Monday 0000z to Sunday 2359z.) Exceeded flights will be invalid.

B. Violation Handling

Violation Type	Punishment
First mild offense (such as leaving the cockpit for 30 min, accelerating shortly)	Warning, related flights will be invalid, have to retake the flight.
First severe offense (such as leaving the cockpit for 60 min, accelerating during all flight, skipping flights)	Related and later flights will be invalid, have to retake flights from the one prior. Disqualified from the current stage lucky draw. (only reserve basic task completion badge)
Second offense regardless of violation degree	Disqualified from participating current event, all event flight records will be invalid. Extremely severe offense (such as intentionally avoiding ATC control, fake flight records) may be sent to VATSIM SUP and result in suspension from participation in HAZ major events for 1 year.

C. Retaking Flights

1. Only allows retaking flights due to “mild offense”, “network issue”, or “VATSIM system malfunction”.
2. Retaking flights shall be completed in the period of current event stage, and shall fly according to original order (if the 10th stop is invalid, you must fly the 9th stop again before flying the 10th stop; you cannot fly directly to the 10th stop).
3. Retaking flights is counted into the 17 hours duration restriction.

4. Retaking flights shall be approved by event organization staff at first. (provide violation/cause of malfunction, and supporting documents)

Flight Record Submission and Review

A. Submission Requirements

1. After completing flights, VAMSYS system will automatically process preliminary review. If there is not special cases such as retaking flights, pilots are not required to submit supporting materials manually.
2. In case of retaking flights, send e-mail to admin@hangzhouva.com.
3. The submission deadline is 5 working days after the end of the current flight stage. If the submission is not made by the deadline, it will be considered as failure to complete the task for this stage and the participants will not be eligible for the reward.

B. Review Process

1. Preliminary review (1-2 working days): VAMSYS automatic review.
2. Double review (2-3 working days): Checking VATSIM data and verifying the credibility of flight records. (Checking whether online, flight order, flight duration)
3. Results Announcement (1 working day): Announcement will publicize the review results (including the valid number of stops for each participant and whether they meet the reward conditions), and will accept argument during the publicity period. (supporting materials are required)
4. Argument Feedback (1 working day): The reviewers will review the materials during the public announcement period. The review result will be the final result, and no further objections will be accepted.

Rewards and Delivery

A. Reward Details

Type	Criteria	Content	Delivery Method
Golden Badge	Completing all 56 flights legally.	Unique Golden 56 stops Badge (With HAZ mark and metal frame)	Digital Badge (with unique umber, restricted amount)
Trip.com Gift Card (Stage 1)	Completing 28 flights of Stage 1 legally and top 8 in total flight time.	300 RMB Ctrip gift card (3 winners)	Electronic gift card code (sent to participants' mobile phones/emails)
Trip.com Gift Card (Stage 1)	Completing 28 flights of Stage 1 legally and did not get 300 RMB card.	100 RMB Ctrip gift card (5 winners)	Same as above
Trip.com Gift Card (Stage 2)	Completing 28 flights of Stage 2 legally and top 8 in total flight time.	300 RMB Ctrip gift card (3 winners)	Same as above
Trip.com Gift Card (Stage 2)	Completing 28 flights of Stage 2 legally and did not get 300 RMB card.	100 RMB Ctrip gift card (5 winners)	Same as above
Mystery Grand Prize	Completing all 56 flights legally.	One item will be randomly selected: 1. WINGFLEX Simulation product	Coupons/voucher codes (electronic), or physical items (mailed)

		coupon (500-1000 RMB); 2. Hangzhou Airlines souvenir gift pack (including models, clothing, etc.); 3. Chinese general aviation experience voucher (1 time, designated route); 4. Chinese domestic flight pass (1 time, valid for 1 year).	
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Additional statement for Foreign Pilots:

Pilots may request for prices with equivalent values such as Apple gift card in foreign currency and etc. Please email admin@hangzhouva.com.

B. Reward Delivery Explanation

- Badge:** Within 10 working days after the public announcement period without objection, the electronic badge will be added to the participant's registered account.
- Gift Card:** Within 5 working days after the first/second phase of the public announcement period without objection, an electronic gift card code will be sent via SMS or email. It must be activated and used within 3 days of receipt (it will expire after this period).
- Mystery Grand Prize:** After flight review, the event team will send a lottery link via email. Participants must complete the lottery within 72 hours; failure to do so will be considered an automatic quit. Winners will receive their rewards within 10 working days (physical prizes require confirmation of the shipping address).

Common Questions and Support

A. FAQ

1. Q: During my flight, if VATSIM network disconnects suddenly, and I reconnect it immediately, is my flight still valid?

A: If it is reconnected within 15 min, and the rest flight is completed normally, the flight will be valid. If it is between 15 and 60 min, you have to provide supporting materials of disconnection and attempt of reconnecting. If it exceeds 60 min, the flight will be invalid and you have to retake the flight.
2. Q: Among the period of Stage 1, if I did not complete all the flights due to personal reasons, could I retaking Stage 1 flights after Stage 2 begins?—

A: No. Retaking should be completed before the stage ends. Once Stage 2 becomes started, on further Stage 1 retaking will be approved. Pilots did not complete the first stage will only be able to participate in the second one, but they can not get the full rewards.
3. Q: Can the delivery address for physical gifts be changed?

A: Yes, you need to send your "Name + Registered Mobile Number + New Address" to the event email address within 2 business days after the list is announced. Failure to send the information within the deadline will be considered as using the original address you filled in.
4. Q: If I have 2 hours of weekly flight time left, can I perform a 3-hour flight?

A: Due to crew operation time restrictions, this is not possible. The event rules state that the maximum tolerance of exceeding is under 15 minutes; exceeding it by even 1 second will invalidate the flight record. If you do not have enough time left this week to complete a 3-hour flight, we suggest you adjust your flight plan and schedule the flight for next week to avoid affecting the validity of your record.
5. Q: If I'm in the top 8 and don't win the 300 RMB gift card on my first draw, can I participate in the second draw for a 100 RMB gift card?

A: Yes, this is legal according to the rules. If you don't win the 300 RMB gift card on your first draw, you will automatically enter the second draw for a 100 RMB card, meaning you have two chances to win.
6. Q: If I'm among the top 8 and win the 300 RMB card in the first draw, can I participate in the second draw for a 100 RMB gift card? Can I draw in the second stage?

A: You can participate in the second stage, but you can only win once in each stage. If you gets the reward, please give opportunities to the other participants.

B. Getting Support

1. **E-mail:** admin@hangzhouva.com (9:00-18:00CST during workdays, we will reply in 24 hours) ,
2. **QQ Group Chat:** **704119781**, participants may ask question directly in the group chat.
3. **Discord:** <https://discord.gg/YR4yXXbW>, please post question in the support chat.

Additional Statement

1. Hangzhou Airlines reserves the right to the final interpretation of this manual. If any adjustments to the rules (such as flight routes, times, etc.) are necessary during the event, an announcement will be issued 5 working days in advance.
2. Flight records submitted by participants must be genuine and valid; if any falsified records (such as Photoshopped screenshots) are found, all results and prize eligibility will be revoked, and the participant will be placed on Hangzhou Airlines' event blacklist.
3. During the event, participants must obey local laws and regulations and VATSIM global rules. Participants will bear all responsibilities arising from personal violations (such as VATSIM account penalties).

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