



## Corporate Profile

**CEO:** Peter Kearney | **Website:** <https://www.iaa.ie/> | **HQ:** Dublin, IE | **Founded:** 1993

## Corporate Facts

- The Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) is a commercial semi-state company employing approximately 650 people at six locations around Ireland
- The IAA has three main functions: the provision of air traffic management and related services in Irish controlled airspace, the safety regulation of the civil aviation industry in Ireland and the oversight of civil aviation security in Ireland.
- The air traffic management functions include:
  - Air traffic control
  - ATC flight information
  - Alerting and search and rescue services
  - Aeronautical information
  - North Atlantic Communications.
- The safety regulatory functions includes:
  - Certifying and registering aircraft airworthiness
  - Licensing personnel and organisations involved in aircraft maintenance
  - Licensing pilots, air traffic controllers and aerodromes
  - Approving and monitoring air carrier operating standards.
  - The oversight of civil aviation security involves inspections and audits of airports, air carriers, cargo companies, airport suppliers and suppliers of in-flight services.
- The IAA operates to the highest international safety standards set by:
  - International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO)
  - European Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA)
  - EUROCONTROL
  - European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC)
  - European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)
  - European Union (EU)

## Financials

- The IAA is a commercial State-sponsored body and derives the vast majority of its revenue from international sources, mainly through ATC user charges.
- The IAA receives no Government funding.
- **Air Navigation En route Charge:** User charges for en route services are established in accordance with an international agreement under the EUROCONTROL convention. The billing system is managed by the EUROCONTROL Central Route Charges Office (CRCO). The current IAA en route unit rate for 2019 is €28.12 (national unit rate).
- **Terminal Navigation Charges:** User charges for terminal services are determined by EU Single European Sky Performance Regulations. The Terminal Service Unit (TSU) rate applicable from 1st January 2019 at the three State airports (Dublin, Cork and Shannon) is €150.44
- **North Atlantic Communications (NAC),** served by the Authority's High Frequency (HF) communications centre at Ballygirreen, provides long-range communications radio with



up to 1,250 transatlantic crossings per day. The North Atlantic Communications charge reflects the cost of providing this service to airspace users on the North Atlantic. The NAC charge with effect from 1st January 2019 is €45.00.

### **Fun Facts**

- Following an intensive international audit by ICAO in 2010, Ireland was ranked among the best in the world in the safety oversight of civil aviation.
- Ireland was placed in the top ten countries worldwide ahead of countries like the United States, Brazil and Australia and ranked third of the twenty-two European states that had completed their audit at that time.
- The IAA has consistently maintained one of the lowest en route user charge unit rates, making Irish airspace economically attractive to airspace users.