

# **Travel Incorporated** 2016 Bullets! – Concur Travel Release Notes

February 2016

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# Seat Map Updates

Concur will make several updates to the seat map with the March release:

• Seats requiring payment to reserve will be noted and will not be available for selection.

**NOTE:** To check the availability or reserve a paid seat, users/arrangers must contact their fulfillment travel agency or book via the airline's website.

- Help text will be added for paid and preferential seating.
- Background color will no longer be used; it will be replaced with 508-compliant icons.
- Legend will be updated to note all the above changes.
- Changes will apply to seat maps regardless of the source (GDS, direct connect, etc).

### Shop by Schedule Updates

Concur will make several updates to the **Shop by Schedule** page with the **April** release:

- Name change for Get Quote and Quote These Options and Quoted Fare
- Radio buttons will be replaced with buttons
- Seat map icon will become the word Seats
- Preference level icons will be replaced with text
- Text and shading updates will be made

#### View More Fares in Branded Fare View

With the **April** release, Concur will update the View More Air Fares view to match the Branded Fare look-and-feel that we released last year. The View More Air Fares feature allows a user/arranger to see multiple fare options for a given set of flights.

Changes include:

- If View More Air Fares is enabled in the travel configuration, the user will see a **View more fares** link in the sliver (collapsed view).
- If the user clicks the **View more fares** link, the section will expand to include all the fare options available for those flights.
  - Options will appear as individual lines with the **Select** button to the right.

• Columns will be included to call out whether the fare includes baggage, is refundable, and in policy.

**NOTE:** If Branded Fare content is returned, then we will default to that display. For example, Lufthansa has Light, Classic, and Flex Fares.

## User/Customer Benefit

We are continuing to roll out the new Branded Fares view for a consistent look and transparency around what the fare includes. View More Air Fares allows the user/arranger to see the lowest fare offered, as well as the lowest refundable fare, and lowest fare in higher cabins, if allowed via travel policy.

## What the User Sees

This is the proposed view:



## Support New Fare Structure for Lufthansa Group Airlines and Delta Air Lines

## Overview

**IMPORTANT:** We discovered an issue during testing that we are working diligently to resolve. For this reason, we are delaying release of this feature. Please watch release notes for further updates.

The Lufthansa Group has introduced a new fare concept for Lufthansa (LH), Austrian Airlines (OS), and SWISS (LX). Delta Air Lines has also introduced a similar fare concept. **In a future release**, Concur will support these fares for our Sabre customers (remaining GDSs to follow in future releases).

When searching for flights in markets where Delta Air Lines operate, users will see multiple fare brands presented in the new fares display.

Price Ca	arrier		Depar	t		Arrive		Stops	Duration		
		Delta	ATL	08:16 am	→	LAX	10:20 am	0	5h 4m		
\$464.20 View fares			LAX	04:50 pm	→	ATL	11:59 pm	0	4h 9m		
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<b>#1454</b>		Stops: 0 Duration: 4	4h 9m	Basic Economy:	E B	oeing 737-800	(winglets)	756 lbs CO <sub>2</sub>			
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Source: Sabre											

Clicking the **Details** links will provide the user with details about the fare.

## Basic Economy:

Details	2
Basic Economy (E)	
Included:	
• 1 Cabin bag	
In flight entertainment	
<ul> <li>Seat assignment after check-in</li> </ul>	
Snack	
SkyMiles	
At charge:	
Internet access	
Alcoholic drinks	
Headset	
Not offered:	
Priority boarding	
<ul> <li>Paid or complimentary upgrades</li> </ul>	
Ticket changes	
Delta	
Ticket non-refundable - penalties may apply	
Change fee likely applies (plus fare difference, see fare rules)	
E-Ticketing Available	

#### Main Cabin:

Details	X
Main Cabin (U)	
Included:	
• 1 Cabin bag	
In flight entertainment	
<ul> <li>Prereserved seat assignment</li> </ul>	
Snack	
SkyMiles	
<ul> <li>Paid or complimentary upgrades</li> </ul>	
At charge:	
Internet access	
Alcoholic drinks	
Headset	
Priority boarding	
Ticket changes	
Delta	
Ticket non-refundable - penalties may apply	
Change fee likely applies (plus fare difference, see fare rules)	
E-Ticketing Available	

#### First or Business:

Details	X
First Or Business (L) Included: • 1 Cabin bag • 2 Free checked bags • Priority boarding • Priority check-in • Priority baggage • In flight entertainment • Prereserved seat assignment • Premium seats with ample legroom • Premium snacks • Alcoholic drinks • Headset • SkyMiles • Paid or complimentary upgrades At charge: • Internet access • Ticket changes	
<b>Delta</b> Ticket non-refundable - penalties may apply Change fee likely applies (plus fare difference, see fare rules) E-Ticketing Available	

For any of these branded fares (LH, LX, OS, DL), when the user reserves his/her flights, the Concur itinerary will display the brand name for reference. Concur will also add GDS PNR remarks to denote the brand that was purchased.



#### GDS PNR Remark:

H-CB/FARETYPE/LIGHT

#### Air Canada Direct Connect – Multi-Segment Search Handling Available Again

Due to a system-wide performance issue when processing Air Canada Direct Connect multisegment searches, we had to deactivate multi-segment searches for Air Canada Direct Connect with the January 2016 release.

We are working on the optimization of the message handling in order to reduce memory consumption so that multi-segment searches will no longer cause performance issues. Multi-segment searches for Air Canada Direct Connect will be available again shortly.

#### Sunset of Aer Lingus Direct Connect, March 31 2016

Concur will sunset the Aer Lingus Direct Connect for B2B content by March 31 2016.

Aer Lingus B2B content has already been available via Travelfusion since February 2015 and is ready to be used with the same credentials as the Aer Lingus Direct Connect. The content and the air fares are exactly the same.

Additional benefits of Aer Lingus via Travelfusion are:

- Frequent flyer card support
- Future enhancements implemented by Travelfusion on their integration will be available automatically in Concur
- Better performance (response times)
- Faster problem solving in case of issues due to a simpler standard integration
- Very high priority of issue management on the Travelfusion side since Aer Lingus is a high-volume carrier for Travelfusion

Clients and TMCs are asked to move client Aer Lingus B2B configurations from the direct connect section to the Travelfusion B2B section

#### Sunset of Interjet Direct Connect, April 30 2016

Interjet B2B content has already been available via Travelfusion since November 2015 and is ready to be used with the same credentials as for the Interjet Direct Connect.

Benefits of Interjet via Travelfusion are:

- Interjet (B2B) can be activated for clients who have an agreement with Interjet and have login credentials for Interjet. It will provide access to client-negotiated fares, promotional fares, and the lowest published available consumer fares.
- Interjet (no B2B suffix) can be activated for clients without an agreement with Interjet. For this connection, no login credentials are required. The lowest published consumer fare is available only.

Fare Type	Interjet	Interjet (B2B)
Lowest published consumer fare	yes	yes
Client negotiated fares	no	yes
Promotional fares	no	Yes (if available)

## Example of Interjet (B2B) content:

। । । । nterjet	9:50 MEX > 12:50 CU 17:15 CUN > 18:40 M		3h 1h 25m	From <b>€167.78</b> MXN 3,550.88 View fares
				Flight details 🔨
Outbound flight: Mexi	co City, Mexico (MEX) - Cancun, Quintana Roo ,	Mexico (CUN) Tue, 8 Mar		
<mark>≉nterjet</mark> #2302	Juarez Intl (MEX) Depart: Tuesday, 9:50 Stops: 0 Duration: 3h Economy	Cancun Aero Arrive: Tues	opuerto Inte (CUN) day, 12:50	
€89.26	Promotional (T)Negotiated (U) €92.98€92.98 Quintana Roo , Mexico (CUN) - Mexico City, Me	xico (MEX) Tue, 15 Mar		
शाख्या Interjet #2305	Cancun Aeropuerto Inte (CUN) Depart: Tuesday, 17:15 Stops: 0 Duration: 1h 25m Economy	Juarez Inti () Arrive: Tues		
O Promotional (T) €78.52	Negotiated (U) CEconomy (X)     €78.52 €89.26			
		the ticket will be issued immedi	ately.	
				Select 🕑 Flight details ∧

## Example of **Interjet** (public consumer content):

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				Flight details ∧
Outbound flight: Mex	ico City, Mexico (MEX) - Cancun, Quintana Roo , Mex	kico (CUN) Wed, 9 Mar		
interjet #2302	Juarez Intl (MEX) Depart: Wednesday, 9:50	Cancun Aeropue Arrive: Wednesd		
Return flight: Cancun	Stops: 0 Duration: 3h Economy , Quintana Roo , Mexico (CUN) - Mexico City, Mexico	(MEX) Fri 11 Mar		
interjet #1000 #3301	Cancun Aeropuerto Inte (CUN) Depart: Friday, 12:30 Stops: 0 Duration: 1h 25m Economy	Juarez Intl (MEX Arrive: Friday, 1	•	
		ticket will be issued immediately		
				Select 🕑 Flight details ^

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- Very high priority of issue management on the Travelfusion side since Interjet is a high-volume carrier for Travelfusion

Clients and TMCs are asked to move client Interjet B2B configurations from the direct connect section of the travel configuration page

#### Icons Replaced with Text

In the December 2015 release, Concur enhanced the **Shop by Fares** tab, giving it a cleaner, more consistent look and feel. This and other enhancements are part of our initiative to make the tab easier for travelers to use and to provide better accessibility (Section 508 Accessibility Guidelines).

**With the April release,** we will replace the preference level, LLF, and Wi-Fi icons with text. The change will affect all the results pages (air/car/hotel/rail/ground), except Flex Faring. Air search results inside the mobile app will continue showing the icons for the time being.

Text to be used:

- Text for Most Preferred will be: <Company name> Most Preferred Vendor
- Text for Preferred will be: <Company name> Preferred Vendor
- Text for Less Preferred will be: <Company name> Less Preferred Vendor
- The above will apply regardless of whether chain level or individual level for hotels.
- Text for E-Receipts will be: E-Receipt enabled
- Text for LLF will be: Least cost logical fare

We will also remove the ability to replace the preference level icons (diamonds) with a custom image and eliminating the ability to reconfigure the text for preference levels.

#### **New Policy Violation Icons**

In the December 2015 release, Concur enhanced the **Shop by Fares** tab, giving it a cleaner, more consistent look and feel. This and other enhancements are part of our initiative to make the tab easier for travelers to use and to provide better accessibility (Section 508 Accessibility Guidelines).

**With the April release,** we will replace all of the policy violation icons. The change will affect all the results pages (air/car/hotel/rail/ground), except Flex Faring.

#### Changes include:

- Show but do not Allow will appear with a red exclamation point and no button.
- Log for Reports and Notify Manager will appear as a yellow warning icon.
- Require Approval and Require Passive Approval will appear as a yellow warning icon and will include the following text: This fare requires manager approval.
- Message When Matched will appear with one of the icons noted above but will also include hover text.
- Show Message will appear as an information icon with hover text.

#### **User/Customer Benefit**

In addition to the changes noted above for preference level text, this update will:

- Deliver a more accessible (508 compliance) solution
- Clearly communicate how policy applies to each selection (by using clear iconography with hover/click-enabled explanations)
- Communicate the difference between various levels of policy violations, calling out more severe ones with additional text
- Refine the search results and make it easier to scan, understand, and select options

## GDS (Reservations System) Upgrades

#### Overview

As part of Concur's ongoing commitment to invest in our technology stack, Concur is upgrading all GDS integrations. These upgrades allow Concur to:

- Take advantage of the newest shopping technologies available from our GDS partners
- Optimize our own logic
- Support new features available in the GDS faster
- Reduce the amount of calls/scans/hits to the GDS

We want to ensure that all TMC partners are aware of these upcoming changes so preparations can start ahead of Concur's deployment of these upgrades. Concur is not able to provide timing for all changes yet, but will communicate via release notes as soon as additional information becomes available.

## Travelport GDS Customers (Apollo, Worldspan, and Galileo)

Travelport has provided its technology partners with a single connectivity platform for all Travelport GDS, called Universal API (uAPI). uAPI allows Concur to use a more efficient method of communicating with Travelport. This will allow Concur to implement new features for Apollo, Worldspan, and Galileo customers in a more coordinated fashion, bringing innovation to Concur Travel much faster!

At this time, there is no action needed by our Travelport TMC partners. Some requirements are still being evaluated by Concur and Travelport, so this may change in the future. Concur will communicate any changes in future release notes, as applicable.

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# Administrative Credit Card for Air/Rail Required in Profile

#### **Typical Use Case**

Customer ABC is rolling out a new corporate American Express card to their employees. In order to ensure their users are maximizing the benefit of the corporate card, they are mandating that a credit card be present in the Concur Travel profile.

#### What the User Sees

If this setting is enabled and the user/arranger attempts to save his/her profile without providing a credit card defaulted to air/rail, he/she will receive the following error and cannot save the profile unless a credit card is provided:

Refuse Self Assigning Assistants      Your Assistants and Travel Arrangers	Your profile cannot be saved until you have corrected the issue(s) listed below. • You must specify a card for Air or Rail. Prevent this page from creating additional dialogs.	defined.	[+] Add an Assistant
	Save		
Credit Cards			Go to top
[Required] You currently have the following credit	cards saved with your profile.		[+] Add a Credit Card
VISA 🚯 Test VisA Two	20202-20202-20202-1111	Exp: 08/2017	
	Save		

If this setting is enabled and the user/arranger attempts to make a travel booking without providing a credit card defaulted to air/rail, he/she will receive the following message and be forced to go to the profile to add the card. The user/arranger clicks **Go to the Profile page** to update the profile. Once he/she clicks **Save** in the profile, Concur will take the user/arranger back to the search, having remembered the original search criteria.

Welcome to Concur! Please take a minute to fill out your travel profile online, so we can make your trip planning easier. You may click the Go to the Profile page button below to access your profile, fill in your personal and travel preference information, and then you will be ready to book travel!
If you have previously submitted a profile, changes have been made that require you to save it again.
Please check the values to be sure they are correct and resubmit. Thank you.
Go to the Profile page Return to Travel Center

## Ground Add Configuration Option for Minor Airports

Many clients use minor airports (for example, Teterboro Airport NJ) to depart from or arrive from their business trips. Before this release, minor airports were excluded from the airport search for ground transportation. This way, clients who do **not** use minor airports would not see the search results for these ground vendors. Unfortunately, those clients who **do** use minor airports would not see the search results either – and could not book ground transportation to or from minor airports.

To meet the requirements of both groups of clients, we now provide a configuration option that allows including minor airports in the ground search for those clients who want it.

## What the User Sees

The user will see minor airports in the auto-complete box for airport search in the **Ground Search** tab in the search wizard for pick-up and drop-off location if minor airports are enabled in the travel configuration.

Pick-up Location     Airport Company Location     Address Preferred Hotel
Airport Zephyrhills, FL - Zephyrhills
Pick-up Location     Airport Company Location     Address Preferred Hotel
Airport TEB - Teterboro Airport - Teterboro, NJ

## Rail Enhancements in the Air/Rail Tab and the Rail Tab

With this release, there are several look-and-feel enhancements with the **Rail Search** tab and the **Air/Rail Search** tab.

#### *Customer/TMC Benefit*

These enhancements give train trips more visibility in the booking process and create a more consistent experience for users.

There are several enhancements on the Travel Wizard involving air and rail:

• Air / Rail Search: The Air / Rail Search tab is now named Mixed Flight / Train Search.

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# "Please Stand By" Page

After the user clicks **Search** on the **Mixed Flight / Train Search** tab, the "please stand by" page appears. The page now reads **Searching for flights and trains** instead of **Searching for flights**.

Searching for flights and trains
Tuesday, February 23, 2016 - Thursday, February 25, 2016
C. CONCUR
Please stand by

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# Search Results Page

When the search results are loading, the message reads **Getting your schedules and fares**.

C. CONCUR Travel Reporting	- App Center	Administration - Help - Profile -
Travel Arrangers Trip Library	Templates Meetings Tools Meeting Admin Concur XA	
Trip Summary	PARIS, FRANCE TO MARSEILLES, FRANCE MON, AUG 31 - TUE, SEP 1 Getting your schedules and fares	
Outbound: Mon, 08/31/2015 Return: Tue, 09/01/2015	Price-to-Beat: 95 €	Show Fares Matrix
Finalize Trip	Shop by Fares Shop by Schedule 133 results - Unfiltered	Sorted By: Policy

## **Review and Reserve Page**

After the user clicks **Select** on the search results page, the "review" page appears. The page is now named **Review and Reserve Train** instead of **Train Review Page**.

/ T	emplates	Meetings	Tools N	Meeting Admin	Concur XA	
		Review <sub>Trains</sub>	and R	eserve	Train	
		DEPART 👮	Paris Gare o Marselle Sa		3h 28m	
		Mon, Aug 31	06:19	→ 09:47	3h 28m	TGV 6885 2nd class / 70 lbs CO <sub>2</sub>
		RETURN 👳	Marselle Sa Paris Gare d		3h 27m	
		Tue, Sep 1	03:06	→ 06:33	3h 27m	TGV 6626 2nd class / 70 lbs CO

# Air New Flight Search Icons – Fly America and Quiet Car

In February, two new icons became available in the flight search results and on the associated legend.

- The Quiet Car **T** icon is new and indicates that there is no cell phone use allowed in the area.
- The Fly America ♥ icon has been updated.

## User/Customer Benefit

Icons in the search results help the user make the most informed decision about the requested flight.

# What the User Sees

On the search results page and in the legend, the user sees these icons.



## Car Sort Car Search Results by Total Cost

## **Overview**

In February, we introduced a new sort option for viewing car search results: "Total Cost". The user/arranger can now make car rental decisions based on the total overall cost versus the daily rate. This feature is auto-on.

#### **User/Customer Benefit**

Though the daily rate is a good starting point, the fees and surcharges can significantly affect the overall car rental cost. Being able to sort by total cost gives the user a clearer picture of actual spend and the ability to make better informed decisions about cost. The new option is set to always sort from Low to High.

#### What the User Sees

The user can select the new Total Cost option in the Sorted By list.

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Displaying: 6 out	of 61 results. 😭			S	orted By:	Total Cost Policy - Most Co Policy - Least Co	
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