Aer Lingus begins Edinburgh to Shannon route again

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Aer Lingus announced earlier this month that they are reinstating flights from Edinburgh to Shannon next spring.

Stobart Air, Irish airline and operator of Aer Lingus Regional, announced new Aer Lingus Regional routes from Cork Airport and Shannon Airport to begin in March 2016. Aer Lingus Regional will reintroduce its Shannon Edinburgh route, operating six flights per week — every day except Saturday.

The new route will add 35,000 seats for Shannon in 2016, rising to 45,000 per annum from 2017.

Announcing the detail today, Martin Saxton, Chief Commercial Officer of Stobart Air, said: "We are very pleased to announce the addition of new Aer Lingus Regional routes from Cork and Shannon. Choice in regional connectivity is paramount for our customers and key to our growth. Together with both Cork and Shannon airports, we look forward to working together to develop and grow these new routes."

Aer Lingus Regional will open two new routes from Cork Airport next summer — to Leeds Bradford and to Southampton. The airline will fly up to five times weekly between Cork and Southampton and up to three times weekly between Cork and Leeds Bradford.

In addition to the new routes, the airline has also announced extra frequency on its Cork routes to Manchester, Newcastle and Glasgow; with up to nine additional flights per week across these three routes.

Aer Lingus Regional aims to carry an additional 60,000

passengers through Cork Airport in 2016 and will base a third aircraft at the airport, servicing the 10 Aer Lingus Regional routes from Cork.