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SAS conducts extra technical check on aircraft

SAS has decided to conduct an internal technical check of a number of aircraft in the MD80 series. During the routine check of an aircraft in this fleet, a fracture was detected in a cylinder of one of the legs of the landing gear. This check is being carried out to ensure that there is no risk of fractures in the remaining MD80 aircraft.

There are 43 aircraft, of a total of 63, that are to be checked and this process is expected to take about eight hours per aircraft. The aircraft will be taken out of service on Friday on landing at one of the Scandinavian home bases. The reason for the fracture is currently being investigated by SAS in cooperation with the aircraft manufacturer. The checks are expected to be completed during the weekend.

Unfortunately, these checks will have a negative impact on the traffic program, which will naturally affect SAS customers. These inconveniences are regrettable. However, since safety is the highest priority at SAS, the airline is putting safety first and conducting this comprehensive check.

SAS customers who experience problems are asked to contact SAS ticket offices or SAS personnel at the airports.

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