

Moscow Airports Temporarily Halt Flights Amid Drone Attacks

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Sheremetyevo Airport in Moscow. **Pelagia Tikhonova / Moskva News Agency**

Three of Moscow's four airports temporarily suspended flights Wednesday as Ukrainian drones targeted the Russian capital, authorities said.

Domodedovo and Zhukovsky airports [halted](#) both inbound and outbound flights, while Sheremetyevo suspended arrivals but [allowed](#) some departures on a case-by-case basis, according to Artyom Korenyako, a spokesperson for Russia's Federal Air Transport Agency.

Those restrictions were introduced as Moscow Mayor Sergei Sobyenin [said](#) air defenses downed three drones on approach to the city.

"Emergency services are working at the crash sites," Sobyenin wrote on Telegram, without specifying locations.

The airspace restrictions were [lifted](#) less than an hour later, Rosaviatsia said.

Earlier in the day, Russia's Defense Ministry [said](#) it destroyed 159 Ukrainian drones overnight,

adding that its forces [intercepted](#) another 39 drones over six Russian regions and annexed Crimea on Wednesday morning.

The military has not commented on the midday strikes targeting Moscow.

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