



REGIÃO AUTÓNOMA DA MADEIRA
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The Regional Secretary of Tourism and Transports (SRTT) are hereby informing:

- **The hotel industry of Madeira was not affected by the storms of the past Saturday, February 20th, and maintains all operating conditions safely. Hotel establishments, in general, are operational and, according to contacts made today by the SRTT, there were not reported any difficulties or problems.**
- **The Madeira International Airport is operational.**
- **According to the Portuguese Institute of Meteorology, weather forecasts are favourable for the next 24 hours, which will facilitate all the cleaning and removal of debris yet registered.**
- **The main concern and priority of the regional authorities currently is to support the people and the replacement of all land accessibilities safely and to the most remote locations. The cleaning and restoration works are taking place at an accelerated pace, with two of the three rivers that overflowed in Funchal already running in their normal bed.**
- **The port of Funchal is operational.**
- **The public transport links are being gradually restored in and around Funchal. The municipalities of the eastern part of the island were always accessible and there are now only some difficulties with access to the municipalities of Ribeira Brava and Ponta do Sol.**
- **Bearing in mind an average occupancy rate of around 55%, Madeira had last weekend about 17,000 tourists, of which we mourn the death of a British tourist.**
- **To facilitate reporting tools, the Regional Government of Madeira is to provide official information on the situation through press conferences, held twice a day, one at 12.00 p.m. and another at 06.30 p.m., until the situation is considered outdated and standardized, which is expected as soon as possible. These official statements will be released through the official website of the Madeira Tourist Board (www.madeiraislands.travel).**



Official Report from Regional Government of Madeira 22/02/2010, at 12.00 p.m.

Dead people

42

Wounded

From the total of 70 people wounded, only 18 are still in the Hospital.

Missing People

4

Dislodgments

370 people are being looked after
250 people in Funchal
120 people in Ribeira Brava

Water Supply

Difficulties reported in:

- High lands of Funchal - Santo António
- Seaside areas in Funchal
- In Ribeira Brava, Ponta do Sol and Curral das Freiras, the issues are being solved
- In Monte the situation is back to normal.

Note that the Ribeira de João Gomes and Ribeira de Santa Luzia (two of the three rivers that overflowed on 20 February) and are standardized and flow normally.

Electricity

- Lack of electricity in downtown Funchal (between Campo da Barca and Anadia Shopping Center)
- Still with no electricity in Ribeira Brava
- In Curral das Freiras, 90% of the entire population has already electricity

Public Transportation

- In Funchal – 24 routes are operational
- In Caniço / Funchal and Funchal / Caniço – Operational from Campo da Barca
- East Madeira – SAM – Totally operational
- West Madeira – Operational until Estreito de Câmara de Lobos
- Carreiras de São Gonçalo – Totally Operational

Communications

Mobile phone connections with TMN and fix communications network functioning in the West Madeira area. Only the North of Madeira is still having difficulties.



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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATIONS:

- The President of the Portuguese Republic will be visiting Madeira next Wednesday, 24th of February at 03.00 p.m.
- There is an Information and Support Center in Quinta Magnólia, Funchal, telephone number +351 96 52 73 387.
- Social Security teams are supporting directly the population and are connected with all the local and government authorities.
- BANIF, an International Bank, has created a fund to support Madeira "Fundo de Apoio à Reestruturação da Madeira", with NIB 003800011986711677151,

Finally, the Regional Government of Madeira expresses gratitude to all the individual and public entities for their solidarity with madeirian people.

New update will be made in 22nd of February at 06.30 p.m.