

Appendix D Rules of the Air

This Appendix contains the consolidated Rules of the Air, as specified in the AN(OT)O, as amended.

RULES OF THE AIR SECTION 1 INTERPRETATION

Interpretation

1. In these Rules—

“ACAS” means an aircraft system based on secondary surveillance radar (“SSR”) transponder signals which operates independently of ground based equipment to provide advice to the pilot on potential conflicting aircraft that are equipped with SSR transponders;

“air-taxiing” means flight by a helicopter, or other type of aircraft capable of vertical take-off and landing, above the surface of an aerodrome at a ground speed of less than 20 knots for the purpose of taxiing in accordance with normal aviation practice;

“air traffic control clearance” means an authorisation by an air traffic control unit for an aircraft to proceed under conditions specified by that unit;

“anti-collision light” means—

- (a) in relation to rotorcraft, a flashing red light;
- (b) in relation to any other aircraft, a flashing red or flashing white light; in either case showing in all directions;

“Class C ATS route” means a route notified as such;

“day” means the time from half an hour before sunrise until half an hour after sunset (both times exclusive), sunset and sunrise being determined at surface level;

“flight plan” means a plan containing such information as may be notified in respect of an air traffic control service unit, being information provided or to be provided to that unit which relates to an intended flight, or part of a flight, of an aircraft;

“ground visibility” means the horizontal visibility at ground level;

“IFR flight” means a flight conducted in accordance with the Instrument Flight Rules in Section 6 of these Rules;

“runway” means an area, whether or not paved, which is provided for the take-off or landing of aircraft;

“simulated instrument flight conditions” means a flight during which mechanical or optical devices are used in order to reduce the field of vision or the range of visibility from the cockpit of the aircraft;

“special VFR flight” means a flight—

- (a) made at any time in a control zone which is Class A airspace; or
- (b) made in any other control zone in either Instrument Meteorological Conditions or at night;
- (c) in respect of which the appropriate air traffic control unit has given permission for the flight to be made in accordance with special instructions given by that unit instead of in accordance with the Instrument Flight Rules; and
- (d) in the course of which the aircraft complies with any instructions given by that unit and the aircraft remains clear of cloud and with the surface in sight;

“VFR flight” means a flight conducted in accordance with the Visual Flight Rules in Section 5 of these Rules;

SECTION 2

GENERAL

Application of Rules to aircraft

2. These Rules, insofar as they apply to aircraft, apply—

- (a) to all aircraft within the Territory; and
- (b) for the purposes of Rule 5, to all aircraft in the neighbourhood of an offshore installation; and
- (c) to all aircraft registered in the Territory, wherever they may be.

Protection of persons and property¹

2A. An aircraft must not be operated in a negligent or reckless manner so as to endanger life or property of others.

Misuse of signals and markings

3. —(1) A signal or marking which is given a meaning by Section 8 of these Rules or which is required by Section 8 to be used in specified circumstances or for a specified purpose must not be used except with that meaning, in those circumstances or for that purpose.

(2) A person in an aircraft or on an aerodrome or at any place at which an aircraft is taking off or landing must not—

- (a) make any signal which may be confused with a signal specified in Section 9; or
- (b) except with lawful authority, make any signal which he knows or ought reasonably to know to be a signal in use for signalling to or from any of Her Majesty's naval, military or air force aircraft.

(3) Signals prescribed in accordance with general international aeronautical practice for the purposes of search and rescue must not be used for any purpose other than that intended.

Reporting hazardous conditions

4. —(1) If any aircraft encounters hazardous conditions in the course of a flight, the pilot-in-command of the aircraft must send to the appropriate air traffic control unit, by the quickest means available, information containing such particulars of the hazardous conditions as may be pertinent to the safety of other aircraft.

(2) The information must be sent immediately the aircraft encounters the hazardous conditions or as soon as it is possible to do so afterwards.

SECTION 3

LOW FLYING RULE

Low flying prohibitions

5. —(1) Subject to paragraph (2), an aircraft must comply with the low flying prohibitions in paragraph (3) unless exempted by rule 6.

(2) If an aircraft is flying in circumstances such that more than one of the low flying prohibitions applies, it must fly at the greatest height required by any of the applicable prohibitions.

¹ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

(3)

The low flying prohibitions are as follows—

(a) Engine failure

An aircraft must not be flown below such height as would enable it to make an emergency landing without causing danger to persons or property on the surface in the event of an engine failure.

(b) The 500 feet rule

Except with the written permission of the Governor, an aircraft must not be flown closer than 500 feet to any person, vessel, vehicle or structure.

(c) The 1,000 feet rule

Except with the written permission of the Governor, an aircraft flying over a congested area of a city, town or settlement must not fly below a height of 1,000 feet above the highest fixed obstacle within a horizontal radius of 600 metres of the aircraft.

(d) The land clear rule

An aircraft flying over a congested area of a city, town or settlement must not fly below such height as would permit the aircraft to land clear of the congested area in the event of an engine failure.

(e) Flying over open air assemblies

Except with the written permission of the Governor, an aircraft must not fly over an organised open-air assembly of more than 1,000 persons below whichever is the higher of the following heights—

(i) 1,000 feet; or

(ii) such height as would permit the aircraft to land clear of the assembly in the event of an engine failure.

(f) Landing and taking off near open air assemblies

An aircraft must not land or take-off within 1,000 metres of an organised, open-air assembly of more than 1,000 persons except—

(i) at an aerodrome, in accordance with procedures notified by the Governor; or

(ii) at a landing site which is not an aerodrome, in accordance with procedures notified by the Governor and with the written permission of the organiser of the assembly.

Exemptions from the low flying prohibitions

6. The exemptions from the low flying prohibitions are as follows—

(a) Landing and taking off

(i) An aircraft is exempt from the low flying prohibitions when it is flying in accordance with normal aviation practice for the purpose of—

(aa) taking off from, landing at or practising approaches to landing at; or

(bb) checking navigational aids or procedures at,

a certificated or notified aerodrome.

(ii) An aircraft is exempt from the 500 feet rule when landing and taking-off in accordance with normal aviation practice or air-taxiing.

(b) Captive balloons and kites

None of the low flying prohibitions apply to any captive balloon or kite.

(c) Special VFR flight and notified routes

- (i) Subject to paragraph (ii), an aircraft is exempt from the 1,000 feet rule when—
 - (aa) it is flying on a special VFR flight; or
 - (bb) it is operating in accordance with the procedures notified for the route being flown.
- (ii) Unless the written permission of the Governor has been obtained, landings may only be made by an aircraft flying under this exemption at a certificated or notified aerodrome.

(d) Balloons and helicopters over congested areas

- (i) A balloon is exempt from the 1,000 feet rule if it is landing because it is becalmed.
- (ii) Subject to rule 5(3)(a) a helicopter flying over a congested area is exempt from the land clear rule.

(e) Police air operator's certificate

An aircraft flying in accordance with the terms of a police air operator's certificate is exempt from the 500 feet rule, the 1,000 feet rule and the prohibitions on flying over open air assemblies and on landing and taking off near open air assemblies.

(f) Flying displays etc

An aircraft taking part in a flying display is exempt from the 500 feet rule when it is within a horizontal distance of 1,000 metres of the gathering of persons assembled to witness the event.

(g) Glider hill-soaring

A glider is exempt from the 500 feet rule if it is hill-soaring.

(h) Picking up and dropping at an aerodrome

An aircraft picking up or dropping tow ropes, banners or similar articles at an aerodrome is exempt from the 500 feet rule.

(i) Manoeuvring helicopters

- (i) Subject to paragraph (ii), a helicopter is exempt from the 500 feet rule if it is conducting manoeuvres, in accordance with normal aviation practice, within the boundaries of a certificated or military aerodrome or, with the written permission of the Governor at other sites.
- (ii) When flying in accordance with this exemption the helicopter must not be operated closer than 60 metres to any persons, vessels, vehicles or structures located outside the aerodrome or site.

(j) Dropping articles with the permission of the Governor

An aircraft is exempt from the 500 feet rule if it is flying in accordance with—

- (i) article 130(3)(f) of this Order; or
- (ii) an aerial application permission granted by the Governor under article 128 of this Order.

SECTION 4

GENERAL FLIGHT RULES

Weather reports and forecasts

7. —(1) Subject to paragraph (2), immediately before an aircraft flies the pilot-in-command of the aircraft must examine the current reports and forecasts of the weather conditions on the proposed flight path, in order to determine whether Instrument Meteorological Conditions prevail, or are likely to prevail, during any part of the flight.

(2) Paragraph (1) only applies if it is reasonably practicable for the pilot-in-command to obtain current reports and forecasts of the weather conditions on the proposed flight path.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), an aircraft which is unable to communicate by radio with an air traffic control unit at the aerodrome of destination must not begin a flight to the aerodrome if—

- (a) the aerodrome is within a control zone; and
- (b) the weather reports and forecasts which it is reasonably practicable for the pilot-in-command of the aircraft to obtain indicate that it will arrive at that aerodrome when the ground visibility is less than 10 km or the cloud ceiling is less than 1,500 feet.

(4) Paragraph (3) does not apply if, before take-off, the pilot-in-command of the aircraft has obtained permission from the air traffic control unit at the aerodrome of destination to enter the aerodrome traffic zone.

Avoiding aerial collisions

8. —(1) Notwithstanding that a flight is being made with air traffic control clearance it remains the duty of the pilot-in-command of an aircraft to take all possible measures to ensure that the aircraft does not collide with any other aircraft.

(2) An aircraft must not be flown in such proximity to other aircraft as to create a danger of collision.

(3) Subject to paragraph (7), aircraft must not fly in formation unless the pilots-in-command of the aircraft have agreed to do so.

(3A) In controlled airspace, aircraft must not fly in formation except where—²

- (a) the pilots-in-command of the aircraft flying in formation designate a flight leader for the formation (“the flight leader”) before the formation flight;
- (b) in relation to navigation and position reporting, all aircraft flying in formation fly as if each were a single aircraft;
- (c) the pilots-in-command of each aircraft maintain adequate separation between the aircraft flying in formation, including during periods of transition into, or out of, the formation;
- (d) the aircraft maintain a distance between the aircraft in the formation of not more than 1km laterally and 30 metres vertically from the flight leader; and
- (e) the aircraft comply with any other conditions for the formation flight which are imposed by the air traffic control unit for the relevant airspace.

(4) An aircraft which is obliged by this Section to give way to another aircraft must avoid passing over or under the other aircraft, or crossing ahead of it, unless passing well clear of it taking into account the effects of aircraft wake turbulence³.

² AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

³ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

(5) Subject to paragraph (7), an aircraft which has the right-of-way under this rule must maintain its heading and speed.

(6) For the purposes of this rule a glider and a flying machine which is towing it are considered to be a single aircraft under the command of the pilot-in-command of the flying machine.

(7) Paragraphs (3), 3A and (5) do not apply to an aircraft flying under and in accordance with the terms of a police air operator's certificate.

(8) Nothing in these Rules relieves the pilot-in-command of an aircraft from the responsibility of taking such action, including collision avoidance manoeuvres based on resolution advisories provided by ACAS equipment, as will best avert a collision.

Converging

9. —(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) and to rules 10 and 11, aircraft in the air must give way to other, converging aircraft as follows—

- (a) flying machines must give way to airships, gliders and balloons;
- (b) airships must give way to gliders and balloons;
- (c) gliders must give way to balloons.

(2) Mechanically driven aircraft must give way to aircraft which are towing other aircraft or objects.

(3) Subject to paragraph (2), when two aircraft are converging in the air at approximately the same altitude, the aircraft which has the other on its right must give way.

Approaching head-on

10. When two aircraft are approaching head-on, or approximately so, in the air and there is a danger of collision, each must alter its heading to the right.

Overtaking

11.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), an aircraft which is being overtaken in the air has the right-of-way and the overtaking aircraft, whether climbing, descending or in horizontal flight, must keep out of the way of the other aircraft by altering course to the right.

(2) An aircraft which is overtaking another aircraft must keep out of the way of the other aircraft until that other aircraft has been passed and is clear, notwithstanding any change in the relative positions of the two aircraft.

(3) A glider overtaking another glider in the Territory may alter its course to the right or to the left.

Water operations⁴

11A.—(1) This rule applies to aircraft when on the water.

(2) When two aircraft are approaching each other, or an aircraft is approaching a vessel, the aircraft must proceed with caution.

(3) An aircraft which has another aircraft or a vessel on its right must give way and keep well clear of it.

(4) An aircraft approaching another aircraft or vessel head-on either directly or approximately, must alter its course to the right, so as to keep clear of it.

(5) An aircraft or vessel being overtaken by another aircraft has right of way and the overtaking aircraft must alter its course, so as to keep clear of it.

⁴ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

(6) When landing or taking off an aircraft must keep clear of all vessels (including other aircraft on the water) and not impede their navigation.

(7) Between sunset and sunrise, or during such other hours as the Governor may prescribe, an aircraft must display lights in accordance with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972 published by the International Maritime Organization or, if it is not practical to do so, it must display similar lights and in a similar position.

Flight in the vicinity of an aerodrome

12.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a flying machine, glider or airship flying in the vicinity of what the pilot-in-command of the aircraft knows, or ought reasonably to know, to be an aerodrome must—

- (a) conform to the pattern of traffic formed by other aircraft intending to land at that aerodrome or keep clear of the airspace in which the pattern is formed; and
- (b) make all turns to the left unless ground signals otherwise indicate.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply if the air traffic control unit at that aerodrome authorises otherwise.

Order of landing

13.—(1) An aircraft landing or on its final approach to land has the right-of-way over other aircraft in flight or on the ground or water.

(2) An aircraft must not cut in front of another aircraft on its final approach to land or overtake that aircraft.

(3) If an air traffic control unit has communicated to any aircraft an order of priority for landing, the aircraft must approach to land in that order.

(4) If the pilot-in-command of an aircraft is aware that another aircraft is making an emergency landing, that pilot must give way to that aircraft.

(5) If the pilot-in-command gives way in the circumstances referred to in paragraph (4) at night then, even if permission to land has previously been given, that pilot must not attempt to land until given further permission to do so.

(6) Subject to paragraphs (2), (3) and (4), if two or more flying machines, gliders or airships are approaching any place for the purpose of landing, the aircraft at the lower altitude has the right-of-way.

Landing and take-off

14.—(1) A flying machine, glider or airship must take off and land in the direction indicated by the ground signals or, if no such signals are displayed, into the wind, unless good aviation practice demands otherwise.

(2) Subject to paragraph (5), a flying machine or glider must not land on a runway at an aerodrome if there are other aircraft on the runway.

(3) If take-offs and landings are not confined to a runway—

- (a) when landing a flying machine or glider must leave clear on its left any aircraft which has landed, is already landing or is about to take off;
- (b) a flying machine or glider which is about to turn must turn to the left after the pilot-in-command of the aircraft has satisfied himself that such action will not interfere with other traffic movements; and
- (c) a flying machine which is about to take off must take up position and manoeuvre in such a way as to leave clear on its left any aircraft which has already taken off or is about to take off.

(4) Subject to paragraph (5) a flying machine must move clear of the landing area as soon as it is possible to do so after landing.

(5) Paragraphs (2) and (4) do not apply if the air traffic control unit at the aerodrome authorises the flying machine or glider otherwise.

Aerobatic manoeuvres

15. An aircraft must not carry out any aerobatic manoeuvre—

- (a) over the congested area of any city, town or settlement; or
- (b) within controlled airspace except with the consent of the appropriate air traffic control unit.

Right-hand traffic rule

16.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), an aircraft which is flying within the Territory with the surface in sight and following a road, railway, canal or coastline, or any other line of landmarks, must keep them on its left.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to an aircraft flying within controlled airspace in accordance with instructions given by the appropriate air traffic control unit.

Notification of arrival and departure

17.—(1) If the pilot-in-command of an aircraft has caused notice of the intended arrival of the aircraft at an aerodrome to be given to the air traffic control unit or other authority at that aerodrome, that pilot must ensure that the unit or authority is informed as quickly as possible of—

- (a) any change of intended destination; and
- (b) any estimated delay in arrival of 45 minutes or more.

(2) The pilot-in-command of an aircraft arriving at or departing from an aerodrome in the Territory must take all reasonable steps to ensure, upon landing or prior to departure, as the case may be, that the person in charge of the aerodrome or the air traffic control unit or flight information service unit at the aerodrome is given notice of the landing or departure.

(3) A flight plan must be submitted prior to operating—

- (a) any flight within or into designated areas, or along designated routes, when so required by the appropriate aeronautical authorities; or
- (b) any flight across international borders.

Flight in Class A airspace

18.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the pilot-in-command of an aircraft flying in Visual Meteorological Conditions in Class A airspace must comply with rules 35, 36 and 37 as if the flight were an IFR flight.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) rule 36(2) does not apply.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to the pilot-in-command of a glider which is flying in Class A airspace which is notified for the purpose of this paragraph if the glider is flown in accordance with such conditions as may also be notified for that purpose.

Flight in Class C Airspace

19.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) the pilot-in-command of an aircraft flying in Visual Meteorological Conditions in Class C airspace above flight level 195, or along a Class C ATS route at any level, must comply with rules 35, 36 and 37 as if the flight were an IFR flight.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) rule 36(2) does not apply.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to the pilot-in-command of an aircraft which is flying in accordance with an authorisation issued by the Governor.

Choice of VFR or IFR

20.—Subject to rule 28A, an aircraft must always be flown⁵ in accordance with the Visual Flight Rules or the Instrument Flight Rules.

Speed limitations

21.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), an aircraft must not fly below flight level 100 at a speed which, according to its air speed indicator, is more than 250 knots.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to—

- (a) flights in Class A airspace;
- (b) VFR flights or IFR flights in Class B airspace;
- (c) IFR flights in Class C airspace;
- (d) VFR flights in Class C airspace or VFR flights or IFR flights in Class D airspace when authorised by the appropriate air traffic control unit;
- (e) an aircraft taking part in a flying display for which a permission is required by article 69(1) of this Order, if the flight is made in accordance with the terms of the permission granted to the organiser of the flying display and in accordance with the conditions of the display authorisation granted to the pilot under article 69(8) of this Order;
- (f) an aircraft flying in accordance with a written permission granted by the Governor authorising the aircraft to exceed the speed limit in paragraph (1).

(3) The Governor may grant a permission for the purpose of paragraph (2)(f) either generally or in respect of any aircraft or class of aircraft.

Use of radio navigation aids

22.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the pilot-in-command of an aircraft must not make use of any radio navigation aid without complying with such restrictions and procedures as may be notified in relation to that aid.

(2) The pilot-in-command of an aircraft is not required to comply with this rule if the pilot—

- (a) is required to comply with rules 35 and 36; or
- (b) is otherwise authorised by an air traffic control unit.

Simulated instrument flight

23.—(1) An aircraft must not be flown in simulated instrument flight conditions unless the conditions in paragraph (2) are met.

(2) The conditions referred to in paragraph (1) are as follows—

- (a) fully functioning dual controls are installed in the aircraft;
- (b) a qualified pilot occupies a control seat to act as safety pilot for the person who is flying under simulated instrument conditions; and
- (c) if the safety pilot's field of vision is not adequate, a competent observer in communication with the safety pilot must occupy a position in the aircraft from which that person's field of vision adequately supplements that of the safety pilot.

⁵ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

Practice instrument approaches

24.—(1) An aircraft must not carry out an instrument approach practice within the Territory if it is flying in Visual Meteorological Conditions unless the conditions in paragraph (2) are met.

(2) The conditions referred to in paragraph (1) are as follows—

- (a) the appropriate air traffic control unit has previously been informed that the flight is to be made for the purpose of instrument approach practice; and
- (b) if the flight is being carried out in simulated instrument flight conditions, a competent observer is carried in such a position in the aircraft that the observer has an adequate field of vision and can readily communicate with the pilot flying the aircraft.

SECTION 5***VISUAL FLIGHT RULES*****Applicability of the Visual Flight Rules**

25.—(1) Rules 27, 29 and 30 are the Visual Flight Rules which apply within controlled airspace.

(2) Rule 28 is the Visual Flight Rule which applies outside controlled airspace.

(3) Rules 28A, 29 and 30 are the Visual Flight Rules which apply at night.⁶

Reported visibility

26. For the purposes of an aircraft taking off from or approaching to land at an aerodrome within Class B, Class C, or Class D airspace, the visibility, if any, communicated to the pilot-in-command of the aircraft by the appropriate air traffic control unit is deemed to be the flight visibility for the time being.

Flight within controlled airspace

27.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), an aircraft flying within Class B, Class C, Class D or Class E airspace—

- (a) at or above flight level 100 must remain at least 1,500 metres horizontally and 1,000 feet vertically away from cloud and in a flight visibility of at least 8 km;
- (b) below flight level 100 must remain at least 1,500 metres horizontally and 1,000 feet vertically away from cloud and in a flight visibility of at least 5 km.

(2) An aircraft is deemed to have complied with paragraph (1)(b) if—

- (a) the aircraft is not a helicopter and it—
 - (i) flies at or below 3,000 feet above mean sea level;
 - (ii) flies at a speed which, according to its airspeed indicator, is 140 knots or less; and
 - (iii) remains clear of cloud, with the surface in sight and in a flight visibility of at least 5 km; or
- (b) the aircraft is a helicopter and it—
 - (i) flies at or below 3,000 feet above mean sea level; and
 - (ii) remains clear of cloud, with the surface in sight and in a flight visibility of at least 1,500 metres.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a helicopter that is air-taxiing or conducting manoeuvres in accordance with rule 6(i).

⁶ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

Flight outside controlled airspace

28.—(1) An aircraft flying outside controlled airspace at or above flight level 100 must remain at least 1,500 metres horizontally and 1,000 feet vertically away from cloud and in a flight visibility of at least 8 km.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3), (4) and (5), an aircraft flying outside controlled airspace below flight level 100 must remain at least 1,500 metres horizontally and 1,000 feet vertically away from cloud and in a flight visibility of at least 5 km.

(3) Paragraph (2) does not apply to an aircraft which—

- (a) flies at or below 3,000 feet above mean sea level;
- (b) remains clear of cloud with the surface in sight; and
- (c) is in a flight visibility of at least 5 km.

(4) Paragraph (2) does not apply to an aircraft which—

- (a) flies at or below 3,000 feet above mean sea level;
- (b) flies at a speed which, according to its air speed indicator, is 140 knots or less;
- (c) remains clear of cloud with the surface in sight; and
- (d) is in a flight visibility of at least 1,500 metres.

(5) Paragraphs (1) and (2) do not apply to a helicopter which is air-taxiing or conducting manoeuvres in accordance with rule 6(i).

Visual Flight Rules at night⁷

28A.—An aircraft flying at night in the Territory may be flown—

- (a) on a Special VFR flight within a control zone; or
- (b) in accordance with any relevant supplementary Rules of the Air made by the Governor under article 67(1) which are in force in the Territory.

VFR flight plan and air traffic control clearance in Class B, Class C or Class D airspace

29.—(1) Subject to rule 31, before an aircraft flies within Class B, Class C or Class D airspace or at night⁸ during the notified hours of watch of the appropriate air traffic control unit, the pilot-in-command of the aircraft must—

- (a) cause to be communicated to the appropriate air traffic control unit a flight plan which complies with paragraphs (2) and (3) (as appropriate); and
- (b) obtain an air traffic control clearance to fly within that airspace.

(2) The flight plan must contain such particulars of the flight as may be necessary to enable the air traffic control unit to issue a clearance and for search and rescue purposes.

(3) The flight plan required for a flight within Territory with reduced vertical separation minimum airspace must also state whether or not the aircraft is equipped with height keeping systems, as required by article 92 or 93 of this Order.

(4) The pilot-in-command of an aircraft must not cause a flight plan to be communicated to the appropriate air traffic control unit for VFR flight in Class C airspace above FL195 or along a Class C ATS route at any level unless authorised to do so by the Governor.

⁷ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

⁸ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

Maintaining continuous watch and complying with air traffic control instructions

30.—(1) Subject to rule 31, whilst flying within Class B, Class C or Class D airspace during the notified hours of watch of the appropriate air traffic control unit, the pilot-in-command of an aircraft must—

- (a) cause a continuous watch to be maintained on the notified radio frequency appropriate to the circumstances; and
- (b) comply with any instructions which the appropriate air traffic control unit may give.

Exceptions to rules 29 and 30

31.—(1) Except at night⁹ rule 29 does not apply if the aircraft has been authorised otherwise by the appropriate air traffic control unit.

(2) Rules 29(1) and 30 do not apply to any glider flying or intending to fly in Class B airspace notified for the purpose of this paragraph.

(3) Rules 29(1) and 30 do not apply to any glider which—

- (a) flies during the day;
- (b) is in controlled airspace notified for the purpose of this paragraph; and
- (c) remains at least 1,500 metres horizontally and 1,000 feet vertically away from cloud and in a flight visibility of at least 8 km.

(4) Rules 29(1) and 30 do not apply to any mechanically driven aircraft without radio equipment if—

- (a) it flies during the day;
- (b) it is in controlled airspace notified for the purpose of this paragraph;
- (c) it remains at least 1,500 metres horizontally and 1,000 feet vertically away from cloud and in a flight visibility of at least 5 km; and
- (d) its pilot-in-command has previously obtained the permission of the appropriate air traffic control unit to fly within the controlled airspace.

SECTION 6***INSTRUMENT FLIGHT RULES*****Instrument Flight Rules**

32.—(1) Rules 33 and 34 are the Instrument Flight Rules which apply both within and outside controlled airspace.

(2) Rules 35, 36 and 37 are the Instrument Flight Rules which apply outside controlled airspace.

Minimum height

33.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), an aircraft must not fly at a height of less than 1,000 feet above the highest obstacle within a distance of 5 nautical miles of the aircraft or when over high terrain or in mountainous areas, at a height of 2000 feet¹⁰, unless—

- (a) it is necessary for the aircraft to do so in order to take off or land;
- (b) the aircraft flies on a route notified for the purposes of this rule;
- (c) the aircraft has been otherwise authorised by the competent authority in

⁹ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

¹⁰ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

relation to the area over which the aircraft is flying; or

- (d) the aircraft flies at an altitude not exceeding 3,000 feet above mean sea level and remains clear of cloud and with the surface in sight and in a flight visibility of at least 800 metres.

(2) The aircraft must comply with rule 5.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a helicopter that is air-taxiing or conducting manoeuvres in accordance with rule 6(i).

Semi-circular rule¹¹

34.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), an aircraft in level flight above 3,000 feet above mean sea level or above the appropriate transition altitude, whichever is the higher, must be flown at a level appropriate to its magnetic track, in accordance with Table 1.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), the level of flight must be measured by an altimeter set—

- (a) in the case of a flight over the Territory, to a pressure setting of 1013.2 hectopascals; or
- (b) in the case of any other flight, according to the system published by the competent authority in relation to the area over which the aircraft is flying.

(3) An aircraft may be flown at a level other than the level required by paragraph (1) if it flies—

- (a) in conformity with instructions given by an air traffic control unit;
- (b) in accordance with notified en-route holding patterns; or
- (c) in accordance with holding procedures notified in relation to an aerodrome.

(4) For the purposes of this rule “transition altitude” means the altitude which is notified in relation to flights over notified areas.

¹¹ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755) – and also Table 1 in place of old tables 1 & 2

Table 1—Semi-circular rule

Track(2)											
From 000 degrees to 179 degrees						From 180 degrees to 359 degrees					
IFR flights			VFR flights			IFR flights			VFR flights		
Level			Level			Level			Level		
FL	Feet	Metres	FL	Feet	Metres	FL	Feet	Metres	FL	Feet	Metres
010	1,000	300	-	-	-	020	2,000	600	-	-	-
030	3,000	900	035	3,500	1,050	040	4,000	1,200	045	4,500	1,350
050	5,000	1,500	055	5,500	1,700	060	6,000	1,850	065	6,500	2,000
070	7,000	2,150	075	7,500	2,300	080	8,000	2,450	085	8,500	2,600
090	9,000	2,750	095	9,500	2,900	100	10,000	3,050	105	10,500	3,200
110	11,000	3,350	115	11,500	3,350	120	12,000	3,650	125	12,500	3,800
130	13,000	3,950	135	13,500	4,100	140	14,000	4,250	145	14,500	4,400
150	15,000	4,550	155	15,500	4,700	160	16,000	4,900	165	16,500	5,050
170	17,000	5,200	175	17,500	5,350	180	18,000	5,500	185	18,500	5,650
190	19,000	5,800	195	19,500	5,950	200	20,000	6,100	205	20,500	6,250
210	21,000	6,400	215	21,500	6,550	220	22,000	6,700	225	22,500	6,850
230	23,000	7,000	235	23,500	7,150	240	24,000	7,300	245	24,500	7,450
250	25,000	7,600	255	25,500	7,750	260	26,000	7,900	265	26,500	8,100
270	27,000	8,250	275	27,500	8,400	280	28,000	8,550	285	28,500	8,700
290	29,000	8,850				300	30,000	9,150			
310	31,000	9,450				320	32,000	9,750			
330	33,000	10,050				340	34,000	10,350			
350	35,000	10,650				360	36,000	10,950			
370	37,000	11,300				380	38,000	11,600			
390	39,000	11,900				400	40,000	12,200			
410	41,000	12,500				430	43,000	13,100			
450	45,000	13,700				470	47,000	14,350			
490	49,000	14,950				510	51,000	15,500			
etc.	etc.	etc.				etc.	etc.	etc.			

Flight plan and air traffic control clearance

Compliance with air traffic control clearance and notified procedures

36.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the pilot-in-command of the aircraft must fly in conformity with—

- (a) the air traffic control clearance issued for the flight, as amended by any further instructions given by an air traffic control unit; and, unless he is authorised otherwise by the appropriate air traffic control unit;
- (b) the instrument departure procedures notified in relation to the aerodrome of departure; and
- (c) the holding and instrument approach procedures notified in relation to the aerodrome of destination.

(2) The pilot-in-command of the aircraft is not required to comply with paragraph (1) if—

- (a) the flight can be conducted in uninterrupted Visual Meteorological Conditions while in controlled airspace; and
- (b) the pilot has informed the appropriate air traffic control unit of the intention to continue the flight in compliance with Visual Flight Rules and has requested that unit to cancel the flight plan.

(3) If any deviation is made from the provisions of paragraph (2) for the purpose of avoiding immediate danger the pilot-in-command of the aircraft must inform the appropriate air traffic control unit of the deviation as soon as possible.

Position reports

37. The pilot-in-command of an aircraft in IFR flight who flies in or is intending to enter controlled airspace must report to the appropriate air traffic control unit the time, position and level of the aircraft at such reporting points or at such intervals of time as may be notified for this purpose or as may be directed by the air traffic control unit.

Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), time checks and time accuracy¹²

37A.—(1) When communicating the time with an air traffic control unit a pilot must use UTC, expressed in hours, minutes and seconds, as used in the 24 hour clock.

(2) Before entering controlled airspace, and at such other times during the flight as may be necessary, the pilot of an aircraft must check the time.

(3) Whenever time is utilised by an aircraft operator in the use of data-link communications, the time must be accurate to 1 second UTC.

(4) In paragraph (3), “data-link communications” means a form of communication intended for the exchange of messages via a data link.

SECTION 6A

ACTS OF UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE AND INTERCEPTION

Duties of pilot-in-command

37B.—(1) This rule applies if an aircraft is subjected to an act of unlawful interference.

(2) The pilot-in-command must attempt to notify the appropriate air traffic control unit immediately of the interference and of any actual or required deviation from the filed flight plan.

¹² AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755) – and also Section 6A and rules 37B and 37C

(3) The pilot-in-command must attempt to land as soon as reasonably practicable at the nearest suitable aerodrome, or at another aerodrome as instructed by the appropriate air traffic control unit, unless circumstances on board the aircraft make this impracticable.

(4) In this rule, “act of unlawful interference” means any act which would constitute an offence under sections 1 to 4 of the Aviation Security Act 1982, if committed in a territory to which those sections have been extended by the Aviation Security and Piracy (Overseas Territories) Order 2000.

Interception

37C.—(1) Interception of civil aircraft must be governed by these rules and any administrative instructions, directions or requirements issued by the Governor.

(2) The pilot-in-command of a civil aircraft, when intercepted, must comply with any instructions, directions or requirements issued by the Governor under paragraph (1).

SECTION 7

AERODROME TRAFFIC RULES

Application of aerodrome traffic rules

38.—(1) The rules in this Section which expressly apply to flying machines must also be observed, so far as is practicable, by all other aircraft.

Visual signals

39.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the pilot-in-command of a flying machine on, or in the pattern of traffic flying at, an aerodrome must—

- (a) observe such visual signals as may be displayed at or directed to that pilot from the aerodrome by the authority of the person in charge of the aerodrome; and
- (b) obey any instructions which may be given by means of such signals.

(2) The pilot-in-command of a flying machine is not required to obey such signals if it is inadvisable to do so in the interests of safety.

Movement of aircraft on aerodromes

40. An aircraft must not taxi or air-taxi on the apron or the manoeuvring area of an aerodrome without the permission of either—

- (a) the person in charge of the aerodrome; or
- (b) the air traffic control unit or aerodrome flight information service unit notified as being on watch at the aerodrome.

Access to and movement of persons and vehicles on aerodromes

41.—(1) Unless there is a public right of way over it, a person or vehicle must—

- (a) not go onto any part of an aerodrome without the permission of the person in charge of that part of the aerodrome; and
- (b) comply with any conditions subject to which that permission may be granted.

(2) A person or vehicle must—

- (a) not go onto or move on the manoeuvring area of an aerodrome which has an air traffic control unit or an aerodrome flight information service unit without the permission of that unit; and
- (b) comply with any conditions subject to which that permission may be granted.

(3) Any permission granted for the purposes of this rule may be granted whether in

respect of persons or vehicles generally, or in respect of any particular person or vehicle or any class of person or vehicle.

Right of way on the ground

42.—(1) This rule applies to flying machines and vehicles on any part of a land aerodrome provided for the use of aircraft.

(2) Notwithstanding any air traffic control clearance it remains the duty of the pilot-in-command of a flying machine to take all possible measures to ensure that the flying machine does not collide with any other aircraft or vehicle.

(3) Flying machines and vehicles must give way to aircraft which are taking off or landing.

(4) Vehicles and flying machines which are not taking off or landing must give way to vehicles towing aircraft.

(5) Vehicles which are not towing aircraft must give way to aircraft.

Action to be taken in case of danger of collision on the ground

43.—(1) Subject to rules 42 and 14(3), this rule applies if there is any danger of collision between two flying machines on the ground.

(2) If the two flying machines are approaching head-on, or approximately so, each must alter its course to the right.

(3) If the two flying machines are on converging courses, the flying machine which has the other flying machine on its right must give way to that other flying machine and must avoid crossing ahead of it unless passing well clear of it.

(4) A flying machine which is being overtaken by another flying machine has the right-of-way over the flying machine overtaking it.

(5) A flying machine which is overtaking another flying machine must keep out of the way of the other flying machine by altering its course to the left until that other flying machine has been passed and is clear, notwithstanding any change in the relative positions of the two flying machines.

(5A) A flying machine taxiing on the manoeuvring area must hold and stop at—¹³

(a) runway holding positions, until otherwise authorised by the air traffic control unit; and

(b) lighted “stop” bars, until the stop lights are turned off.

(6) A vehicle must—

(a) overtake another vehicle on the right hand side of that vehicle; and

(b) keep to the left when passing another vehicle which is approaching head-on or approximately so.

Launching, picking up and dropping of tow ropes, etc.

44.—(1) Tow ropes, banners or similar articles towed by aircraft must not be launched at an aerodrome except in accordance with arrangements made with—

(a) the air traffic control unit at the aerodrome; or

(b) if there is no such unit, the person in charge of the aerodrome.

(2) Tow ropes, banners or similar articles towed by aircraft must not be picked up by or dropped from aircraft at an aerodrome except—

(a) in accordance with arrangements made with the air traffic control unit at the aerodrome or, if there is no such unit, with the person in charge of the aerodrome; or

¹³ AN(OT)(A) (No. 2) Order 2021 (No. 755)

- (b) in the area designated by the marking described in rule 59(9), but only when the aircraft is flying in the direction appropriate for landing.

Flights within aerodrome traffic zones

45.—(1) Paragraphs (2) and (3) apply only in relation to those aerodromes described in Column 1 of Table 3 as are notified for the purposes of this rule and at such times as are specified in Column 2 of the Table.

(2) An aircraft must not fly, take off or land within the aerodrome traffic zone of an aerodrome unless the pilot-in-command of the aircraft has complied with paragraphs (3), (4) or (5), as appropriate.

(3) If the aerodrome has an air traffic control unit, the pilot-in-command must obtain the permission of the air traffic control unit to enable the flight to be conducted safely within the zone.

(4) If the aerodrome has a flight information service unit, the pilot-in-command must obtain information from the flight information service unit to enable the flight to be conducted safely within the zone.

(5) If there is no flight information service unit at the aerodrome, the pilot-in-command must obtain information from the air/ground communication service to enable the flight to be conducted safely within the zone.

(6) The pilot-in-command of an aircraft flying within the aerodrome traffic zone of an aerodrome must—

- (a) cause a continuous watch to be maintained on the appropriate radio frequency notified for communications at the aerodrome; or
- (b) if this is not possible, cause a watch to be kept for such instructions as may be issued by visual means; and
- (c) if the aircraft is fitted with means of communication by radio with the ground, communicate his position and height to the air traffic control unit, the flight information service unit or the air/ground communication service at the aerodrome (as the case may be) on entering the zone and immediately prior to leaving it.

SECTION 8

LIGHTS AND OTHER SIGNALS TO BE SHOWN OR MADE BY AIRCRAFT

General

46.—(1) For the purposes of this Section of the Rules the horizontal plane of a light shown by an aircraft means the plane which would be the horizontal plane passing through the source of that light if the aircraft were in level flight.

(2) If it is necessary to fit more than one lamp in order to show a light required by this Section because of the physical construction of an aircraft, the lamps must be so fitted and constructed that, so far as is reasonably practicable, not more than one such lamp is visible from any one point outside the aircraft.

(3) If a light is required by this Section to show through specified angles in the horizontal plane, the lamps giving such light must be so constructed and fitted that the light is visible—

- (a) from any point in any vertical plane within those angles throughout angles of 90° above and below the horizontal plane; but
- (b) so far as is reasonably practicable, through no greater angle, either in the horizontal plane or the vertical plane.

(4) If a light is required by this Section to show in all directions, the lamps giving such light must be so constructed and fitted that, so far as is reasonably practicable, the light is visible from any point in the horizontal plane and on any vertical plane passing through the source of that light.

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section the pilot-in-command of an aircraft may switch off or reduce the intensity of any flashing light fitted to the aircraft if such a light does or is likely to—

- (a) adversely affect the performance of the duties of any member of the flight crew; or
- (b) subject an outside observer to unreasonable dazzle.

Display of lights by aircraft

47.—(1) During the night an aircraft must—

- (a) display such of the lights specified in this Section as it is required by this Section; and
- (b) subject to rule 49(6), not display any other lights which might obscure or otherwise impair the visibility of, or be mistaken for, such lights.

(2) Subject to rule 48(4) an aircraft fitted with an anti-collision light must display that light in flight during the day.

(3) A flying machine on a Territory aerodrome must—

- (a) during the night display either the lights which it would be required to display when flying or the lights specified in rule 49(5)(c), unless it is stationary on the apron or on that part of the aerodrome provided for the maintenance of aircraft; and
- (b) during the day and night and subject to paragraph (4), display a red anti-collision light, if it is fitted with one, when it is stationary on the apron with engines running.

(4) A helicopter to which article 96 applies may, when stationary on an offshore installation, switch off the anti-collision light required to be shown by paragraph (3)(b) as long as that is done in accordance with a procedure contained in the operations manual of the helicopter as a signal to ground personnel that it is safe to approach the helicopter for the purpose of embarkation or disembarkation of passengers or the loading or unloading of cargo.

Failure of navigation and anti-collision lights

48.—(1) Paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) apply to aircraft in the Territory.

(2) An aircraft must not depart from an aerodrome if there is a failure of any light which these Rules require to be displayed at night and the light cannot be immediately repaired or replaced.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), if the aircraft is in flight and any such light as is referred to in paragraph (2) fails and cannot be immediately repaired or replaced, the aircraft must land as soon as it can safely do so, unless authorised by the appropriate air traffic control unit to continue its flight.

(4) An aircraft may continue to fly during the day in the event of a failure of an anti-collision light on the flight as long as the light is repaired at the earliest practicable opportunity.

Flying machines at night

49.—(1) Subject to paragraph (6), a flying machine flying at night must display lights in accordance with paragraphs (2), (3) or (4), as appropriate.

(2) In the case of—

- (a) a flying machine registered in the Territory which has a maximum total weight authorised of more than 5,700 kg; or
- (b) any other flying machine registered in the Territory which conforms to a type

- first issued with a type certificate on or after 1st April 1988,
the flying machine must display the system of lights specified in paragraph 5(b).
- (3) A flying machine registered in the Territory which—
- (a) conforms to a type first issued with a type certificate before 1st April 1988;
and
 - (b) has a maximum total weight authorised of 5,700 kg or less, must display the system of lights specified in—
 - (i) paragraph (5)(a); or
 - (ii) paragraph (5)(b); or
 - (iii) paragraph (5)(d), but excluding sub-paragraph (ii) of that paragraph.
- (4) In the case of any other flying machine, one of the systems of lights specified in paragraph (5) must be displayed.
- (5) The systems of lights referred to in paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) are as follows—
- (a) A steady green light of at least five candela showing to the starboard side through an angle of 110° from dead ahead in the horizontal plane; a steady red light of at least five candela showing to the port side through an angle of 110° from dead ahead in the horizontal plane; and a steady white light of at least three candela showing through angles of 70° from dead astern to each side in the horizontal plane;
 - (b) the lights specified in sub-paragraph (a) and an anti-collision light;
 - (c) the lights specified in sub-paragraph (a), but all being flashing lights (rather than steady lights) flashing together;
 - (d) the lights specified in sub-paragraph (a), but all being flashing lights (rather than steady lights) flashing together in alternation with one or both of the following—
 - (i) a flashing white light of at least 20 candela showing in all directions;
 - (ii) a flashing red light of at least 20 candela showing through angles of 70° from dead astern to each side in the horizontal plane.
- (6) If the lamp showing either the red or the green light specified in paragraph (5)(a) is fitted more than 2 metres from the wing tip, another lamp may be fitted at the wing tip to indicate its position showing a steady light of the same colour through the same angle.

Gliders at night

50. A glider flying at night must display either a steady red light of at least five candela, showing in all directions, or lights in accordance with rule 49(5) and (6).

Free balloons at night

51. A free balloon flying at night must display a steady red light of at least five candela showing in all directions, suspended not less than 5 metres and not more than 10 metres below the basket, or if there is no basket, below the lowest part of the balloon.

Captive balloons and kites at night

52.—(1) A captive balloon or kite flying at night at a height exceeding 60 metres above the surface must display lights in accordance with paragraphs (2), (3) and (4).

(2) A group of two steady lights must be displayed consisting of a white light placed 4 metres above a red light, both being of at least five candela and showing in all directions, the white light being placed not less than 5 metres nor more than 10 metres below the basket or, if there is no basket, below the lowest part of the balloon or kite.

(3) On the mooring cable of the balloon or kite, at intervals of not more than 300 metres measured from the group of lights specified in paragraph (2), there must be displayed—

- (a) groups of two lights of the colour and power and in the relative positions specified in paragraph (2); and
- (b) if the lowest group of lights is obscured by cloud, an additional group of such lights below the cloud base.

(4) On the surface of the ground there must be displayed a group of three flashing lights arranged—

- (a) in a horizontal plane at the apexes of a triangle, approximately equilateral, each side of which measures at least 25 metres;
- (b) so that one side of the triangle must be approximately at right angles to the horizontal projection of the cable and must be delimited by two red lights; and
- (c) so that the third light must be a green light, placed so that the triangle encloses the object on the surface to which the balloon or kite is moored.

Captive balloons and kites by day

53.—(1) A captive balloon flying by day at a height exceeding 60 metres above the surface must have attached to its mooring cable tubular streamers which are—

- (a) not less than 40 centimetres in diameter and 2 metres in length; and
- (b) marked with alternate bands of red and white 50 centimetres wide at intervals of not more than 200 metres measured from the basket or, if there is no basket, from the lowest part of the balloon.

(2) A kite flying by day at a height exceeding 60 metres above the surface must have attached to its mooring cable either—

- (a) tubular streamers as specified in paragraph (1); or
- (b) at intervals of not more than 100 metres measured from the lowest part of the kite, streamers not less than 80 centimetres long and 30 centimetres wide at their widest point, marked with alternate bands of red and white 10 centimetres wide.

Airships at night

54.—(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), an airship flying at night must display the following lights—

- (a) a steady white light of at least five candela showing through angles of 110° from dead ahead to each side in the horizontal plane;
- (b) a steady green light of at least five candela showing to the starboard side through an angle of 110° from dead ahead in the horizontal plane;
- (c) a steady red light of at least five candela showing to the port side through an angle of 110° from dead ahead in the horizontal plane;
- (d) a steady white light of at least five candela showing through angles of 70° from dead astern to each side in the horizontal plane; and

(e) an anti-collision light.

(2) Subject to paragraph (5), an airship flying at night in any of the circumstances referred to in paragraph (3) must display the lights specified in paragraph (4).

(3) The circumstances are as follows—

- (a) if the airship is not under command; or
- (b) has voluntarily stopped its engines, or
- (c) is being towed.

(4) The lights specified are the following lights—

- (a) the white lights specified in paragraph (1)(a) and (d);
- (b) two steady, red lights, each of at least five candela, showing in all directions, suspended below the control car so that one is at least 4 metres above the other and at least 8 metres below the control car; and
- (c) if the airship is making way but not otherwise, the green and red lights specified in paragraph (1)(b) and (c).

(5) An airship picking up its moorings at night must display the lights specified in paragraph (1).

(6) An airship moored to a mooring mast within the Territory at night must display, at or near the rear of the airship, a steady, white light of at least five candela showing in all directions.

(7) An airship moored otherwise than to a mooring mast within the Territory at night must display—

- (a) a white light of at least five candela showing through angles of 110° from dead ahead to each side in the horizontal plane; and
- (b) a white light of at least five candela showing through angles of 70° from dead astern to each side in the horizontal plane.

Airships by day

55.—(1) An airship flying during the day in any of the circumstances referred to in paragraph (2) must display two black balls suspended below the control car so that one is at least 4 metres above the other and at least 8 metres below the control car.

(2) The circumstances are as follows—

- (a) if the airship is not under command;
- (b) if it has voluntarily stopped its engines; or
- (c) if it is being towed.

(3) For the purposes of this rule and rule 54—

- (a) an airship is deemed not to be under command when it is unable to execute a manoeuvre which it may be required to execute by these Rules; and
- (b) an airship is deemed to be making way when it is not moored and is in motion.

Signals in the signal area

56. Any signals required to be displayed shall be displayed in accordance with requirements published by the Governor.

Markings for paved runways and taxiways

57. Any markings required to be displayed shall be displayed in accordance with requirements published by the Governor.

Markings on unpaved manoeuvring areas

58. Any markings on unpaved manoeuvring areas required to be displayed shall be displayed in accordance with requirements published by the Governor.

Marshalling signals (from a marshaller to an aircraft)

(1) Each of the signals for the guidance of aircraft manoeuvring on or off the ground, described in column 1 of Table 5 and as illustrated in column 3, when given by a marshaller to an aircraft, shall have the meanings specified in column 2 of the Table.

(2) By day any such signals shall be given by hand or by circular bats and by night shall be given by torches or by illuminated wands.

Table 5—Meaning of Marshalling Signals on the following pages, from a marshaller to an aircraft

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
<i>Description of Signal</i>	<i>Meaning of signal</i>	<i>Illustration of signal</i>

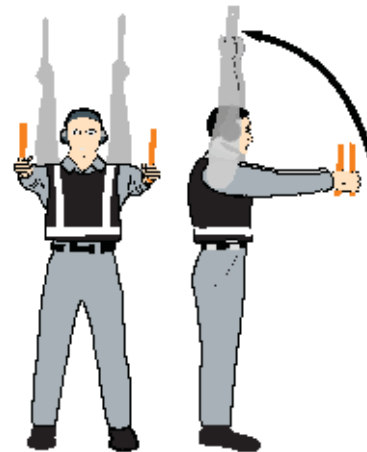
1. Raise right hand above head level with wand pointing up; move left-hand wand pointing down toward body.

Wingwalker/guide — This signal provides an indication by a person positioned at the aircraft wing tip, to the pilot/marshaller/ push-back operator, that the aircraft movement on/off a parking position would be unobstructed.



2. Raise fully extended arms straight above head with wands pointing up

Identify gate



3. Point both arms upward, move and extend arms outward to sides of body and point with wands to direction of next signalman or taxi area.

Proceed to next signalman or as directed by tower/ground control



4. Bend extended arms at elbows and move wands up and down from chest height to head.

Straight ahead



5(a) With right arm and wand extended at a 90-degree angle to body, make “come ahead” signal with left hand. The rate of signal motion indicates to pilot the rate of aircraft turn.

Turn left (from pilot's point of view)



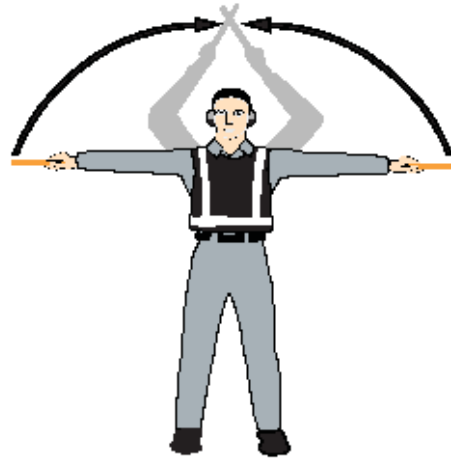
5(b) With left arm and wand extended at a 90-degree angle to body, make “come ahead” signal with right hand. The rate of signal motion indicates to pilot the rate of aircraft turn.

Turn right (from pilot's point of view)



6(a) Fully extend arms and wands at a 90-degree angle to sides and slowly move to above head until wands cross.

Normal stop



6(b) Abruptly extend arms and wands to top of head, crossing wands.

Emergency stop



7(a) Raise hand just above shoulder height with open palm. Ensuring eye contact with flight crew, close hand into a fist. Do not move until receipt of "thumbs up" acknowledgment from flight crew.

Set brakes



7(b) Raise hand just above shoulder height with hand closed in a fist. Ensuring eye contact with flight crew, open palm. Do not move until receipt of "thumbs up" acknowledgment from crew.

Release brakes



8(a) With arms and wands fully extending above head, move wands inwards in a "jabbing" motion until wands touch. Ensure acknowledgement is received from flight crew.

Chocks inserted



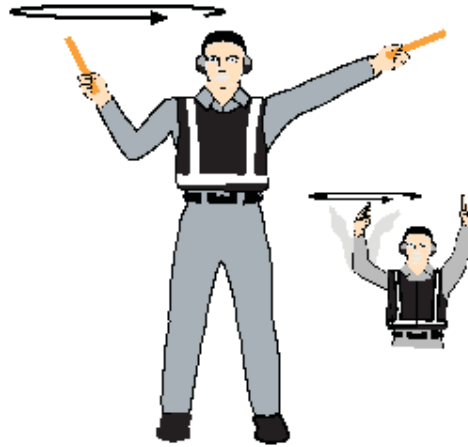
8(b) With arms and wands fully extended above head, move wands outward in "jabbing" motion. Do not remove chocks until authorised by crew.

Chocks removed



9. Raise right arm to head level with wand pointing up and start a circular motion with hand; at the same time, with left arm raised above head level, point to engine to be started.

Start engine(s)



10. Extend arm with wand forward of body at shoulder level; move hand and wand to top of left shoulder and draw wand to top of right shoulder in a slicing motion across throat.

Cut engine(s)



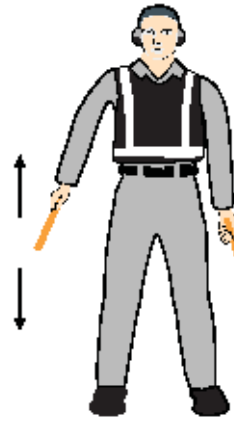
11. Move extended arms downwards in a "patting" gesture, moving wands up and down from waist to knees.

Slow down



12. With arms down and wands toward ground, wave either right or left wand up and down indicating engine(s) on left or right side respectively should be slowed down.

Slow down engine(s) on indicated side



13. With arms in front of body at waist height, rotate arms in a forward motion. To stop rearward movement, use signal 6(a) or 6(b).

Move Back



14(a) Point left arm with wand down and bring right arm from overhead vertical position to horizontal forward position, repeating right-arm movement.

Turns while backing (for tail to starboard)



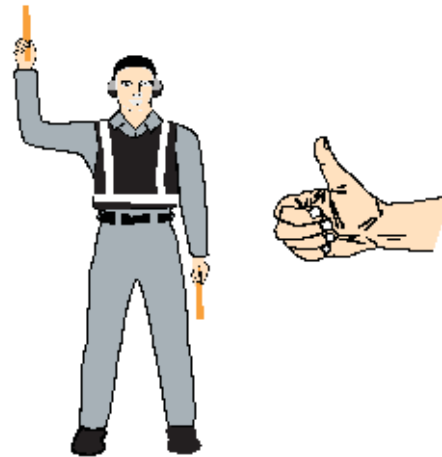
14(b) Point right arm with wand down and bring left arm from overhead vertical position to horizontal position, repeating left-arm movement.

Turns while backing (for tail to port)



15. Raise right arm to head level with wand pointing up or display hand with "thumbs up"; left arm remains at side by knee.

Affirmative/all clear— This signal is also used as a technical/servicing communication signal.



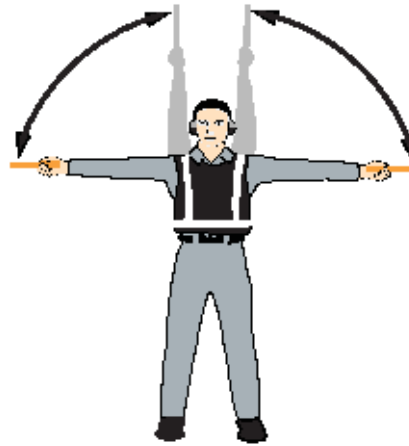
16. Fully extend arms and wands at a 90-degree angle to sides.

Hover



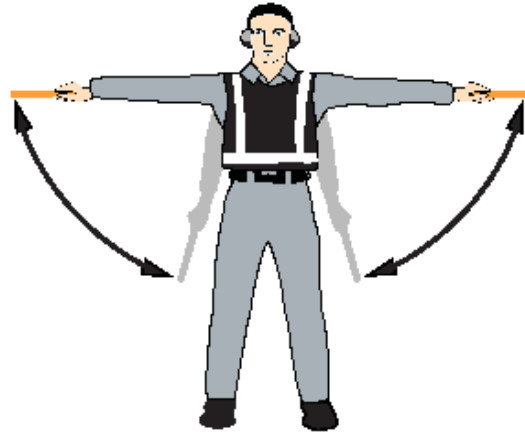
17. Fully extend arms and wands at a 90-degree angle to sides and, with palms turned up, move hands upwards. Speed of movement indicates rate of ascent.

Move upwards



18. Fully extend arms and wands at a 90-degree angle to sides and, with palms turned down, move hands downwards. Speed of movement indicates rate of descent.

Move downwards



19(a) Extend arm horizontally at a 90-degree angle to right side of body. Move other arm in same direction in a sweeping motion.

Move horizontally left (from pilot's point of view)



19(b) Extend arm horizontally at a 90-degree angle to left side of body. Move other arm in same direction in a sweeping motion.

Move horizontally right (from pilot's point of view)



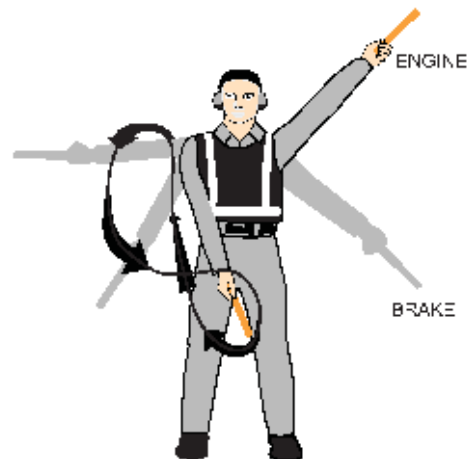
20. Cross arms with wands downwards and in front of body.

Land



21. Move right-hand wand in a "fanning" motion from shoulder to knee, while at the same time pointing with left-hand wand to area of fire.

Fire



22. Fully extend arms and wands downwards at a 45- degree angle to sides. Hold position until aircraft is clear for next manoeuvre.

Hold position/stand by



23. Perform a standard salute with right hand and/or wand to dispatch the aircraft. Maintain eye contact with flight crew until aircraft has begun to taxi.

Dispatch aircraft



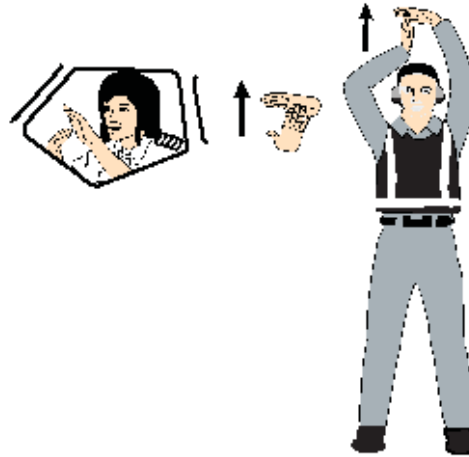
24. Extend right arm fully above head and close fist or hold wand in horizontal position; left arm remains at side by knee.

Do not touch controls
(technical/servicing
communication
signal)



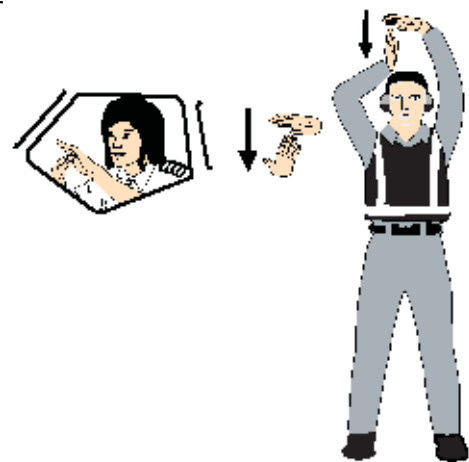
25. Hold arms fully extended above head, open left hand horizontally and move finger tips of right hand into a touch open palm of left hand (forming a "T"). At night, illuminated wands can also be used to form the "T" above head.

Connect ground power (technical/servicing communication signal)



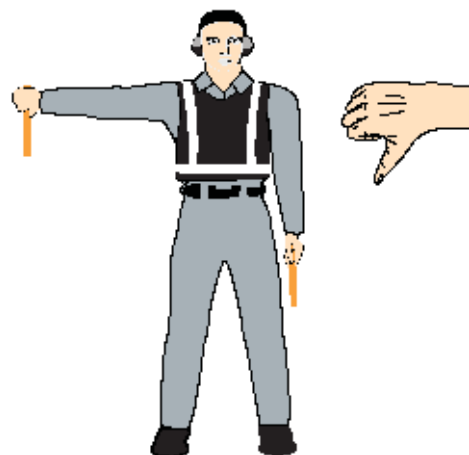
26. Hold arms fully extended above head with finger tips of right hand touching open horizontal palm of left hand (forming a "T"); then move right hand away from the left. Do not disconnect power until authorised by flight crew. At night illuminated wands can also be used to form the "T" above head.

Disconnect power (technical/servicing communication signal)



27. Hold right arm straight out at 90 degrees from shoulder and point wand down to ground or display hand with "thumbs down"; left hand remains at side by knee.

Negative (technical/servicing communication signal)



28. Extend both arms at 90 degrees from body and move hands to cup both ears.

Establish communication via interphone (technical/servicing communication signal)



29. With right arm at side and left arm raised above head at a 45-degree angle, move right arm in a sweeping motion towards top of left shoulder.

Open/close stairs (technical/servicing communication signal)—This signal is intended mainly for aircraft with the set of integral stairs at the front



Marshalling signals (from a pilot of an aircraft to a marshaller)

62. Each of the signals described in column 1 of Table 6, when made by a pilot in an aircraft to a marshaller on the ground, shall have the meanings specified in column 2 of the Table.

**Table 6—Meaning of Marshalling Signals
(from a pilot of an aircraft to a marshaller)**

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Description of Signal</i>	<i>Meaning of Signal</i>
1. Raise arm and hand with fingers extended horizontally in front of face, then clench fist.	Brakes engaged.
2. Raise arm with fist clenched horizontally in front of face, then extend fingers.	Brakes released.
3. Arms extended palms facing outwards, move hands inwards to cross in front of face.	Insert chocks.
4. Hands crossed in front of face, palms facing outwards, move arms outwards.	Remove chocks.
5. Raise the number of fingers on one hand indicating the number of the engine to be started. For this purpose the aircraft engines shall be numbered in relation to the marshaller facing the aircraft, from his right to his left. For example, No. 1 engine shall be the port outer engine, No. 2 engine shall be the port inner engine, No. 3 engine shall be the starboard inner engine and No. 4 engine shall be the starboard outer engine.	Ready to start engines.

Distress, urgency and safety signals

63.—(1) The following signals, given either together or separately before the sending of a message, signify that an aircraft is threatened by grave and imminent danger and requests immediate assistance—

- (a) by radiotelephony—
the spoken word 'MAYDAY';
- (b) by visual signalling—
 - (i) the signal SOS (... --- ...);
 - (ii) a succession of pyrotechnic lights fired at short intervals each showing a single red light;
 - (iii) a parachute flare showing a red light;
- (c) by sound signalling other than radiotelephony—
 - (i) the signal SOS (... --- ...);
 - (ii) a continuous sounding with any sound apparatus.

(2) The following signals, given either together or separately, before the sending of a message, signify that the pilot-in-command of the aircraft wishes to give notice of difficulties which compel it to land but that he does not require immediate assistance—

- (a) a succession of white pyrotechnic lights;
- (b) the repeated switching on and off of the aircraft landing lights;
- (c) the repeated switching on and off of its navigation lights, in such a manner as to be clearly distinguishable from the flashing navigation lights described in rule 49.

(3) The following signals, given either together or separately, indicate that the pilot-in-command of the aircraft has an urgent message to transmit concerning the safety of a ship, aircraft, vehicle or other property or of a person on board or within sight of the aircraft from which the signal is given—

- (a) by radiotelephony—
the repeated spoken word, 'PAN PAN';
- (b) by visual signalling—
the signal XXX (- .. -- .. -- .. -);
- (c) by sound signalling other than radiotelephony— the
signal XXX (- .. -- .. -- .. -).