

SAFETY AND AIRSPACE REGULATION GROUP

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AIRSPACE CO-ORDINATION NOTICE

DEPT of ENVIRONMENT SPONSORED "OIL SPILL" SURVEY FLIGHTS

COBHAM FLIGHT INSPECTION LIMITED (CFI)

ALL TIMES UTC

References:

- A. CFI Ltd [P, Seviour] - e-mail dated 23 Oct 14 paul.seviour@cobham.com.

INTRODUCTION

1. As notified/requested at Reference A, the following measures have been agreed by AU with the aircraft operator and ATC service providers to accommodate the subject Unusual Aerial Activity.
2. CFI Ltd holds an 8 year contract (up to 31 Dec 2019) to satisfy a D of E and Climate Change requirement to attend "oil spills" within the UK and neighboring FIRs. The operational requirement specifies a rapid response to be airborne within 1hr. Where possible a straight line transit / great circle routing to the target area, irrespective of category of airspace, would be required. CFI Ltd aircraft and their navigational equipment provide such a capability. The aircraft will deploy from either Bournemouth Airport (EGHH), Durham Tees Valley Airport (EGNV) or Aberdeen Airport (EGPD) but may also need to operate from other airports as circumstances dictate. The aircraft will be on call H24 and 365 days per year. The nature of such flights means that the routes and the altitudes to be flown are usually ad hoc and may involve complex search patterns and the short notice penetration of (Class A) airspace.

DATES

3. This ACN is valid until further notice, actual dates will be notified.

TIMES

4. As notified, H24.

VERTICAL LIMITS

5. The following vertical limits apply:
 - a. Aircraft operating heights/alts between SFC - FL100, as required by the oil spill operation.

Civil Aviation Authority

CAA House, K6 G2, 45-59 Kingsway, London, WC2B 6TE. www.caa.co.uk

Telephone 020 7453 6599 DFTS (9) 6453 6599 Fax 020 7453 6593

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CO-ORDINATES OF AREA OR EVENT

6. The area of operation will of course depend upon the sea area affected. However, for ATC planning/co-ordination purposes, the most likely flight profile would be a cruise climb departure on direct track to the search area. On arrival, the flexibility to fly any heading/track within 30nms radius of a specified point at any level at or below FL100 would assist in the timely and successful completion of the task.

OPERATING AUTHORITY OR SPONSOR

7. The following authorities will sponsor the event:

- a. Aircraft Operating Authority, Capt Glen Keating, Director of Flight Operations, CFI Ltd, Bournemouth International Airport, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 6NE.

Tel: 01202 409000 Ext 4890. Mob: 07738 457429.

E-mail: glen.keating@cobham.com.

CONTROL AUTHORITIES

8. The nominated Pilot is requested to telephone the duty ATC Watch Manager/Supervisors at the appropriate ATC Service Unit (as detailed below), prior to departure to arrange flight times and to detail the area of interest and airspace required and quoting this ACN reference number. LTC (Swanwick).

- a. LAC (Swanwick) - AC Watch Supervisor.

Tel: 01489 612420.

- b. LATCC (Mil) East Bank – ATC Supervisor.

Tel: 01489 612408.

- c. LATCC (Mil) West Bank – ATC Supervisor.

Tel: 01489 612417.

- d. LATCC (Mil) North Bank – ATC Supervisor.

Tel: 02380 401509.

- e. LTC (Swanwick) – Senior Watch Assistant.

Tel: 02380 401110 / 401102.

- f. Prestwick Centre – Operational Supervisor.

Tel: 01294 655300.

9. ATSUs so notified are requested to cascade the pre-noted flight detail to those other agencies that might be affected.