



DAP 1916 - Statement of Need: Intended Change to Notified Airspace

This form may be used to provide information to the CAA about an intended change. Once this form is completed, then please submit it by clicking the button at the end of this form.

1. Change Title

Please enter a title for this intended change, (max 80 characters): *

Free Route Airspace

2. Change Sponsor Details

Please select the appropriate category and complete. *

- ☒ A Company
- ☐ An Unincorporated Association or other body
- ☐ Individual (including sole traders and partnerships)

2a. A Company

Registered Company name (in full) *

NATS Limited

Registered Company Number

04138218

Country of Company Registration

UK

Registered Office Address

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Postcode

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Trading name (if applicable)

Trading Address (primary site)

Country

Postcode

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Secondary Point of Contact Name

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3. Independent Aviation/Airspace Consultancy

☐ Is an Independent Aviation/Airspace Consultancy involved in this proposal?

4. Summary of Intended Change

Please use the check boxes below to indicate the nature of the intended change(s): *

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| ☐ Flight Information Region (ENR 2.1) | ☐ Upper Information Region (ENR 2.1) | ☐ Terminal Control Area (ENR 2.1) |
| ☐ Other Regulated Airspace (ENR 2.2) | ☒ Lower ATS Routes (ENR 3.1) | ☒ Upper ATS Routes (ENR 3.2) |
| ☒ Area Navigation Routes (ENR 3.3) | ☐ Helicopter Routes (ENR 3.4) | ☒ Other Routes (ENR 3.5) |
| ☐ En-Route Holding (ENR 3.6) | ☒ Name-Code Designators (ENR 4.4) | ☐ Prohibited/Restricted/Danger Areas (ENR 5.1) |
| ☐ Military Exercise/ Training Areas (ENR 5.2) | ☐ Other Danger/ Hazard (ENR 5.3) | ☐ Aerial/Sporting/Recreational Activities (ENR 5.5) |
| ☐ Bird Migration/Sensitive Fauna (ENR 5.6) | ☒ ATS Airspace (AD-EGXX-2.17) | ☐ Flight Procedures (AD-EGXX-2.22) |
| ☐ ATCSMAC (AD-EGXX-5) | ☐ Standard Instrument Departure (AD-EGXX-6) | ☐ Standard Arrival Route (AD-EGXX-7) |
| ☐ Instrument Approach Procedure (AD-EGXX-8) | ☐ Visual Reference Point | ☐ Release of Controlled Airspace |

Please use the check box below to indicate whether this is an administrative change:

☐ Does your proposal represent an administrative change to the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP)?

5. Statement of Need

Please provide a brief 'Statement of Need' expressing explicitly what airspace issue or opportunity you are seeking to address. Your Statement of Need should clearly articulate the current situation, the issue (and the cause of it) to be resolved or the opportunity to be addressed along with any other factors or requirements. *

In response to SESAR PCP Implementing Regulation EU716/2014, NATS intends to implement Free Route Airspace (FRA) in a phased manner across UK airspace. The SESAR PCP ATM Functionality 3 (AF3) states that Free Route shall be provided and operated in the airspace for which the Member States are responsible at and above flight level 310 in the ICAO EUR region by 1st January 2022. This ACP proposes to introduce FRA in order to comply with this Implementing Regulation within the required timescale.

Please specify the altitudes (where applicable) affected by your Statement of Need:

- ☐ Surface to below 4,000 feet
- ☐ 4,000 feet to below 7,000 feet
- ☐ 7,000 feet to below 20,000 feet
- ☒ 20,000 feet and above

6. Proposed Dates

Please provide your proposed date for the submission of your change proposal to the CAA. This should be the date on which you are expecting to submit your formal airspace change proposal to the CAA. Please note that your formal airspace change proposal must be submitted alongside all of the supporting documentation required by the CAA to complete our regulatory assessment of the Proposal; consequently the date on which you place in this field should represent the point at which you will have the formal airspace change proposal **and all** of the supporting documentation ready to submit to the CAA. This date is required to assist us with the allocation of the required CAA-resource to your proposal and therefore it is a key date in our planning process. Whilst we will try to accommodate your specified timescales, there may be occasions where it is not possible for us to do so given the large number of projects that are already 'in process'. You should also note that any changes to the above date may impact our ability to process your airspace change proposal within your preferred timescales. It should also be noted that from September 2018 any amendments submitted by a Data Originator or ANSP for onward promulgation in the UK IAP will be subject to the Aeronautical Data Quality Requirements. See [Commission Regulation \(EU\) No 73/2010](#) (updated by 1029/2014) and [CAP 1054: Aeronautical Information Management](#) guidance material for further information. These requirements will be discussed in greater detail during the course of your initial meeting with the CAA.

☒ Confirmation of Understanding *

Please provide your proposed date for the submission of your change proposal to the CAA. *

19 Mar 2020

Please provide your proposed AIRAC effective date *

AIRAC 13/2020

If this change forms a part of a modular airspace change proposal please provide the relevant title and further information below (Note we will require individual submissions for each module) . *

This change is not modular. Implementation may be required to occur in several phases across different geographic areas. Approval for the introduction of FRA across all areas will be sought in this ACP.

If this change requires the implementation of a Five-Letter Name Code (5LNC) please specify your requirements below: *

A large number of 5LNCs used for upper ATS route definition will become redundant and hence could be returned to the iCARD pool. A small number of new 5LNCs may be required for routes in lower airspace which feed in to the FRA.