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Non-Standard and Enhanced Non-Standard Flight Approvals in UK Airspace

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Applicability:	
Aerodromes:	Not primarily affected
Air Traffic:	All ATS
Airspace:	All NATMAC Representatives
Airworthiness:	Not primarily affected
Flight Operations:	All Aeroplane and Helicopter AOC Holders, General Aviation Pilots and Unmanned Aircraft Operators
Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:	Not primarily affected

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Unusual Aerial Activities (UAAs) wholly contained within controlled airspace are processed under either Non-Standard Flight (NSF) or Enhanced Non-Standard Flight (ENSF) procedures and are subject to prior approval by either the CAA or specific Air Traffic Service providers.

2 Scope

- 2.1 CAA policy regarding NSF and ENSF has been reviewed and the associated policy statement revised. The [NSF and ENSF policy statement](#) can be found on the CAA website.
- 2.2 The principle changes are:
- Revised and additional definitions.
 - Removal of references to Class F airspace.
 - Clarity regarding applicability of NSF and ENSF requirements to Small Unmanned Aircraft.
 - Greater clarity concerning NSF/ENSF approval and Air Traffic Control clearance requirements.
 - Refinements to extant text.

3 Further Information

- 3.1 **UK AIP ENR 1.1** Section 4 will be amended to reflect the policy statement changes on 5 February 2015 (AIRAC 2/2015).

4 Queries

- 4.1 Any queries or requests for further guidance as a result of this communication should be addressed to ats.enquiries@caa.co.uk.

5 Cancellation

- 5.1 This Information Notice will remain in force until 1 March 2015.