

## Briefing Document

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### Small Unmanned Aircraft – Flight Restriction Zones

#### Introduction

From 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 the Air Navigation Order 2019 shall be amended to include a revised limitation on the closest distance that small unmanned aircraft including but not limited to drones of any mass may be flown from specific types of aerodromes including London Elstree Aerodrome.

The limitation is in the form of a Flight Restriction Zone (FRZ) which comprises the following airspace:

- a) The entire Aerodrome Traffic Zone
- and
- b) Runway protection Zones which extend horizontally 0.5km either side of the extended runway centreline from the runway threshold to a distance of 5km, and vertically to 2000 ft above the aerodrome level (2,332 ft)

The attached map and details show the FRZ at London Elstree Aerodrome and an interactive map of this and other FRZ's can be found at <https://dronesafe.uk/restricions/>.

The Flight Restriction Zone is **active at all times and applies to all small unmanned aircraft of any mass (which would include smaller 'toy' types)**. During the hours of operation for the FISO unit the unit can grant permission for small unmanned aircraft within the FRZ. Outside of those hours the operator of the small unmanned aircraft must obtain the permission of the Aerodrome Accountable Manager.

#### Procedure

FISOs can permit small unmanned aircraft to operate within the confines of the FRZ up to a maximum height of 400 ft provided that:-

- a) The operator is either in radio contact with the on duty London Elstree FISO or is contactable by telephone throughout the period of the operation of the detail.
- b) The operator agrees that they will cease operations immediately if requested to do so by the on duty FISO or Aerodrome Accountable Manager
- c) The operator makes contact with the FISO immediately prior to commencing any flight and again at the completion of the detail.

All other requests to operate small unmanned aircraft within the FRZ shall only be approved after consultation with the Aerodrome Accountable Manager. Such approval may only be granted after an appropriate Risk Assessment has been conducted and approved.

## ← ELSTREE FRZ

name

ELSTREE FRZ

description

Activity type: UAS Flight Restriction Zone (FRZ)

An area 2 NM radius centered on existing ATZ position.

513920.97N 0001933.06W

Upper limit: 2000FT - Feet

Lower limit: SFC - measured from the surface of the Earth

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