# THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION (AIR NAVIGATION) DIRECTIONS 2025

These directions are given to the Director of Civil Aviation ("the DCA") by the Minister with responsibility for Civil Aviation in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3(3) of the Civil Aviation Act 2009.

These directions are given in respect of the airspace of Gibraltar.

## **Citation and Commencement**

- 1. These Directions may be cited as the Director of Civil Aviation (Air Navigation) Directions 2025.
- 2. These Directions shall come into force on 01 March 2025 and revoke the Director of Civil Aviation (Air Navigation) Directions 2019.

## **Direction**

- 3. It shall be the duty of the DCA to develop, promulgate, monitor and enforce a policy for the sustainable use of Gibraltar airspace and for the provision of necessary supporting infrastructure for air navigation.
- 4. In particular the DCA shall:
  - a. provide or procure the provision of such advice as the Minister with responsibility for Civil Aviation may reasonably require;
  - b. be responsible for the form, content and publication of the Aeronautical Information regarding Gibraltar in accordance with international obligations and any additional requirement the DCA may determine from time to time;
  - c. prepare and maintain a co-ordinated strategy and plan for the use of Gibraltar airspace for air navigation;
  - d. co-ordinate, determine and promulgate temporary changes in the utilization of Gibraltar airspace to meet special air navigation requirements;
  - e. provide support for the analysis and categorisation of pilot and controller reported risk-bearing occurrences;
  - f. in relation to international air navigation, contribute to the development thereof and provide such assistance, as the Minister with responsibility for Civil Aviation may request, including international representation;
  - g. promote safe, effective and efficient, integrated operation of the air traffic service provider with their counterparts in neighbouring States;

# Consultation with the UK Ministry of Defence

5. Where it appears to the DCA that there is a need to increase the volume, or alter the classification, of controlled airspace and that to do so might have an adverse effect on the ability of the UK MoD to maintain its operational capability in Gibraltar, the DCA shall consult with the UK MoD before implementing any proposal.

## International relations

- 6. The DCA shall propose international agreements in relation to air navigation for the approval of the Minister with responsibility for Civil Aviation.
- 7. The DCA shall ensure that close co-operation is maintained in relation to air navigation with international organisations and the civil and military aviation authorities of other States.

Signed:

Minister with responsibility for Civil Aviation

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