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## **DISESTABLISHMENT OF RAF LYNEHAM CONTROL ZONE (CTR)/CONTROL AREA (CTA) & REGULARISATION OF BRISTOL CTAs 8 AND 9**

**This Information Notice contains information that is for guidance and/or awareness.**

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<b>Applicability:</b>	
<b>Aerodromes:</b>	Not Primarily Affected
<b>Air Traffic:</b>	ATC
<b>Airspace:</b>	NATMAC Representatives
<b>Airworthiness:</b>	Not Primarily Affected
<b>Flight Operations:</b>	All AOC Holders and General Aviation Pilots
<b>Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:</b>	All Flight Crew, All Flying Training Organisations, All Registered Facilities

### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 On 14 December 2010 the CAA informed industry that routine operational flying at RAF Lyneham will cease on 30 September 2011, and that this would result in the immediate disestablishment of the RAF Lyneham CTR and CTA and closure of the resident Air Traffic Control Unit.
- 1.2 The purpose of this Information Notice is to inform industry that this change will also result in the regularisation of Bristol CTAs 8 and 9, and the adoption by Bristol ATC of a number of Visual Reference Points (VRPs) currently established for use in the vicinity of Lyneham.

### **2. Regularisation of Bristol CTAs 8 and 9**

- 2.1 When developing the airspace change proposal upon which the current Bristol CTR/CTA complex is based, Bristol originally sought the establishment of a CTA that would have assumed control of a small section of the Lyneham CTA. This aspect of the proposal was not acceptable to the CAA on the basis of the impact upon Lyneham airspace and their operations. Consequently, Bristol amended their proposal by splitting the proposed CTA into two elements, resulting in the establishment of the current CTAs 8 and 9 (with the latter lying above (and abutting) the Lyneham CTA), which was approved. The current Bristol CTR/CTA is shown in the UK AIP at AD 2-EGGD-4-1 and on VFR charts.
- 2.2 Disestablishment of the Lyneham CTR/CTA provides the opportunity to regularise Bristol's CTAs 8 and 9 in order to reflect Bristol's original CTA-8 concept. Therefore, CTA-9 will be absorbed into current CTA-8, the boundaries of which will be simplified and redefined thus:

Designation and lateral limits:	Vertical limits	Airspace Classification
1	2	3
<b>Bristol Control Area (CTA-8)</b> 513235N 0022204W - 513039N 0020510W - 512320N 0021913W thence anti-clockwise by the arc of a circle radius 15 nm centred on 512258N 0024309W to 512847N 0022104W - 512842N 0022338W - 513235N 0022204W	<b>FL 105</b> 4500 ft	D

- 2.3 Transition Altitude within and below the revised airspace will remain 6000 ft amsl (AIP ENR ENR 1.7 — ALTIMETER SETTING PROCEDURES paragraph 4 refers)
- 2.4 This change shall take effect on 0001Z 01 Oct 2011 to coincide with the disestablishment of the Lyneham CTR/CTA.

### 3. VRP Changes

- 3.1 The following VRPs will be adopted by Bristol with immediate effect:

VRP	VOR/DME fix
Avebury 512541N 0015117W	CPT 263°/24 nm
Chippenham 512736N 0020724W	CPT 269°/34 nm
Devizes 512048N 0015918W	CPT 256°/30 nm
Malmesbury 513506N 0020612W	CPT 283°/33 nm
Marlborough 512512N 0014342W	CPT 260°/19 nm
Melksham 512230N 0020818W	CPT 261°/35 nm
Wroughton 513033N 0014759W	CPT 275°/22 nm

- 3.2 Bristol ATC will undertake a review of the use of these additional VRPs within one year of their adoption in order to determine their continued applicability to Bristol's operations.

### 4. Queries

- 4.1 Any queries or further guidance required as a result of this communication should be addressed to:

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### 5. Cancellation

- 5.1 This Information Notice shall remain in force until further notice.