

Supplementary Instruction

CAP 493 MATS Part 1



Safety and Airspace Regulation Group

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Replacement of ORS 4 Nos. 1576 & 1577

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this Supplementary Instruction (SI) is to update references to Official Record Series (ORS) 4 Nos. 1576 and 1577 within the Manual of Air Traffic Services (MATS) Part 1 (CAP 493) to ORS 4 Nos. 1603 and 1604 respectively.

2 Background

- 2.1 ORS 4 No. 1576 entitled 'Standardised European Rules of the Air – Issuing VFR and SVFR Air Traffic Control Clearances to Helicopter Operations Conducted by Police, Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS) and Search and Rescue (SAR) Operations' has been superseded by ORS 4 No. 1603. ORS 4 No. 1603 does not introduce any change to procedures detailed within MATS Part 1.
- 2.2 ORS 4 No. 1577 entitled 'Standardised European Rules of the Air – Issuing VFR and SVFR Air Traffic Control Clearances to Helicopter Operations Conducted in Support of the Maintenance of the National Infrastructure' has been superseded by ORS 4 No. 1604. ORS 4 No. 1604 does not introduce any change to procedures detailed within MATS Part 1.

3 Amendment to CAP 493

- 3.1 With effect from 9 August 2024 MATS Part 1 references to ORS 4 No. 1576 and 1577 are replaced with references to ORS 4 No. 1603 and 1604 respectively at the following locations:
 - (i) Section 1, Chapter 2, Paragraph 4.1, Notes 4 and 5;
 - (ii) Section 1, Chapter 2, Paragraph 8B.2, Notes 3 and 4;
 - (iii) Section 2, Chapter 1, Paragraph 6A.2, Notes 2 and 3; and
 - (iv) Section 3, Chapter 1, Paragraph 8.6, Notes 2 and 3.
- 3.2 This change will be incorporated into CAP 493 at the next amendment.

4 Queries

- 4.1 Any queries or further guidance required on the content of this SI should be marked for the attention of Airspace & ATM Policy and sent to ats.enquiries@caa.co.uk
- 4.2 Any queries relating to the availability of this SI should be marked for the attention of Rulemaking and Safety Publications and sent to ats.documents@caa.co.uk

5 Cancellation

- 5.1 This SI shall remain in force until incorporated into CAP 493 or is cancelled, suspended or amended.