

**AIRSPACE CO-ORDINATION NOTICE**

Safety and Airspace Regulation Group



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Civil Aviation Authority

## Madford VOR/DME Routine Flight Inspection FCSL

### NDS

**Subject to NOTAM: No****Date(s) of activity/Validity:**

31st December 2024 – 1st September 2025

**Times**

0900-1800z

**Vertical Limits:**

3400ft – FL120

**Allocated Mode 3A (SSR):**

0024

**Aircraft Details:**

Type: DA62  
Callsign: FlightCal 02

**NDS Approved:**

Yes – See Section 2

**Event Sponsor(s):**

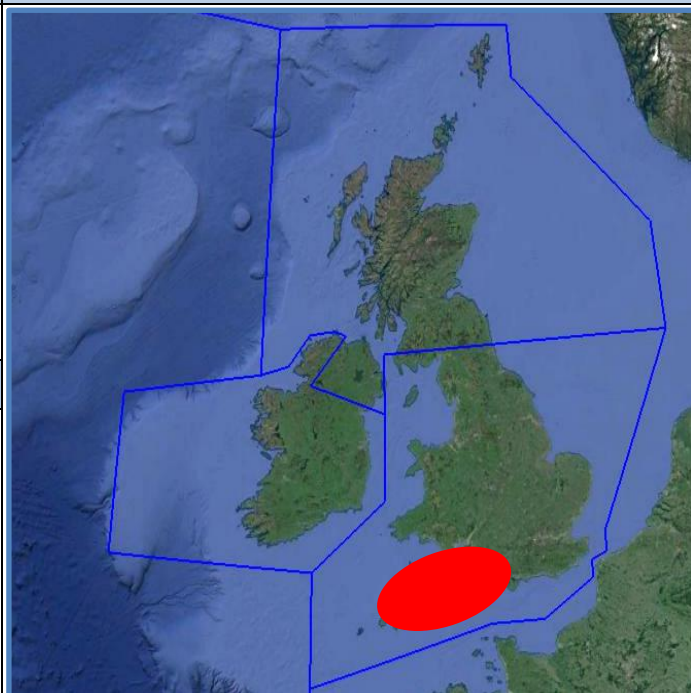
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Bournemouth	01202 364150
Bristol	01275 473714
Cardiff	01446 712562
Culdrose	01326 552415
Exeter	01392 354918
Lands end	01736 788944
Newquay	01637 861301
Southampton	023 8062 5875
Western Radar	01489 585511
Yeovilton	01935 455243

**Geographical Limits:****Airspace Reservations:**

D011A/B/C	Okehampton	01837 657210
D012	FOST	01752 557550
D013	FOST	01752 557550
D119	RNAS Yeovilton	01935 455497

**Departure/Destination Aerodrome(s)**

EGTE

**ACN Issued by:**

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## SECTION 1: CO-ORDINATION ARRANGEMENTS (GENERAL)

1. The pilot/operator is requested to telephone the ATC authorities on the cover prior to departure in order to notify or update the sortie details including area(s) of operation and planned levels (quoting the ACN Reference). A minimum of 24 hours' notice should be given unless specified in Section 2.
2. There may be other aircraft and/or activities outside Controlled/Regulated Airspace unknown to ATC.
3. The carriage and operation of a serviceable transponder (including Mode 'C') has been specified.
4. The pilot will be responsible for obtaining all necessary ATC clearances and for maintaining R/T contact with appropriate ATC authorities.
5. The pilot/operator will be responsible for obtaining prior clearances to enter any UK Danger Areas affected by the flight profile from the appropriate Range Control Authority unless this is specifically detailed in Section 2.
6. Other Unusual Aerial Activities (UAAs) may be notified to the CAA Safety and Airspace Regulation Group (SARG) and may take place within the airspace encompassed by this flight. The pilot/operator is to ensure that UK Daily NOTAM Nav Warnings are consulted prior to each flight.
7. All flights within Controlled Airspace are subject to the requirements of a Flight Plan in accordance with UK AIP ENR1.10. The ACN Reference should be entered into Field 18 of the Flight Plan together with any relevant 'special handling' codes.
8. Flight prioritisation and Non-Deviating Status is in accordance with the information specified on the ACN Cover. Such status may be afforded to part or all of the flight – see Section 2.
9. Availability of an ATS from Plymouth Military, Swanwick Military (78 Sqn) or Western Radar is subject to unit capacity, priorities and limitations of radar and radio coverage. Minimum pre-flight notification as per UK AIP ENR 1.6 unless otherwise specified in Section 2 of this ACN.
10. The CAA actively encourages the use of Moving map technology in the planning and flying phases of flights to reduce the risk of airspace infringements.

## PUBLICATIONS AND CHANGES

11. The activity area may lie within Controlled and Uncontrolled Airspace as well as airspace reserved for military use. Aircrew are to thoroughly familiarise themselves with UK airspace structures and procedures, in particular those laid down within the UK Aeronautical Information Publication (UK AIP), ENR 1.1 and be fully conversant with UK Flight Information Services in accordance with UK CAP 493 (MATS Pt 1).
12. The CAA VFR 1:500,000 and 1:250,000 charts and the UK AIP ENR 5 depict some, but not all aviation activity sites and amendments should also be checked. Please refer to <http://www.nats-uk.ead-it.com>
13. This ACN details specific coordination essential to the activity taking place and does not remove the need for aircraft operators to comply with national flight planning and notification procedures. Pilots and ANSPs are required to ensure that all related aviation sites are aware of this planned activity and of subsequent changes not captured within this document.
14. The Sponsor or Event Organiser should co-ordinate any changes to this ACN with SARG quoting the ACN Reference at the top of the page.

Airspace Regulation (Utilisation) – AU3  
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**SECTION 2: CO-ORDINATION ARRANGEMENTS (SPECIFIC)**

15. This ACN details flight profiles to complete the Madford (DFO) DME Commissioning Flight Inspection.

**16. The sponsor is responsible for obtaining any required permits to fly within UK airspace; this ACN does not constitute approval to fly in UK airspace, but only outlines the coordination process/contacts to facilitate the flight.**

17. **Notification of Calibration Flight.** The sponsor is to notify the agencies listed on page one of this ACN at least 1 week prior to the planned calibration. In addition, the pilot is to contact the appropriate agencies at least 24 hours prior to confirm that the flight will still take place and again at least 1 hours prior to departure to provide final details, agree a start time and confirm availability of an Air Traffic Service (ATS).

18. **Priority.** This flight has been afforded Non-Deviating Status (NDS) whilst established on a measured run only and within Controlled Airspace (CAS), (*UK AIP ENR 1.1 (4.2) & CAP 493 – Section 1, Ch4, Para 17 refers*). Outside CAS and in between runs, the aircraft is categorised as CAT Z, (CAP 493 – Section 1, Ch4, Para 10c refers) and attracts no priority. In order to reduce the impact to other airspace users, the controlling authority may request that the pilot hold, or accept radar vectors in order to make best use of the airspace, or to reduce overall delays.

19. **Flight Profiles:**

Serial No	Description	Altitude/FL	Notes
A1	Position 20NM from DFO DME to commence 20NM anti-clockwise Orbit	3,400ft AMSL	2 x 360° Orbits
A2	R246 from DFO to 102D (LND)	FL120	
A3	R085 from DFO to 72D (SAM)	FL80	
A4	R345 from DFO to 55D (overhead to 10nm past the Extremity of Cardiff/Bristol CTA/CTR))	6,000ft AMSL	

20. **ATS Provision – Controlled Airspace (CAS).** Access to controlled airspace is subject to the prevailing traffic situation and controller workload. The pilot is responsible for obtaining a clearance to enter controlled airspace prior to penetration.

21. **ATS Provision – Outside CAS.** The survey area is within the coverage of the following units:

- a. Exeter                                  Freq – 128.980
- b. Cardiff                                    Freq – 119.155
- c. Culdrose                                 Freq – 134.055
- d. Newquay                                 Freq – 133.405
- e. Western Radar                         Freq - On request
- f. Yeovilton                                 **Freq – 127.355**

22. Availability of an ATS from a unit is not guaranteed, is subject to controller availability, unit workload and possible reduced hours of operations. Amendments to the published hours of availability, as listed in the UK AIP ENR 1.6 – Para 4.1, AD2 or UK Military AIP, shall be notified via NOTAM.

23. **ATS Provision above FL100.** This service is available to all aircraft flying outside Controlled Airspace in the UK FIRs between FL 100 and FL 190, and within active TRAs and is subject to Unit capacity. The Units providing this service together with their boundaries are depicted within the UK AIP on the chart ENR 6-12. ENR 1.6 (4.2) lists their hours of operation, the RTF operating frequency on which this service is normally provided and a telephone number for pre-flight contact. A FPL should be filed and include the following addresses:

- a. EGZYOATT Swanwick Mil (78 Sqn)
- b. EGTTFZC Western Radar

24. Amendments to the published hours of availability, as listed in the UK AIP ENR 1.6 – Para 4.2, shall be notified via NOTAM.

25. Between the hours of 18:00 to 08:00 (local time) on a weekday, at any time on a weekend or during a UK public holiday, Swanwick Mil (78 Sqn) require at least two weeks prior notice in order to obtain an ATS in support of this task.

26. **Air-to-Air Refuelling Areas (AARAs).** For details of the AARAs see the UK AIP – ENR 5.2. Activation is by NOTAM, and when active, information can be obtained from Swanwick Mil.

27. **Special Use Airspace (SUAs).** Access to any SUA is subject to range requirements and access is not guaranteed. The sponsor is to engage with the SUA Authority at the earliest opportunity to coordinate access, noting that access may only be possible outside notified operating hours.

28. **Non-SSR Gliding Areas.** The sponsor should exercise caution when operating in these areas, as gliders without transponders may be encountered up to FL195. For info see the UK AIP: *ENR 1.1 (Para 1.12), ENR 5.2 (NSGA) and ENR6-63.*

29. **Temporary Reserved Areas (TRA).** The sponsor is responsible for complying with the requirements for access to any TRA iaw the UK AIP – ENR 1.1 (Para 5.1.5).

### SECTION 3

#### Area of Operation

30. Charts highlighting the area of operation are shown below. These are for illustrative purposes only and not for operational planning.

**Chart 1 – Serial A1**  
**Position 20NM from DFO DME to commence 20NM anti-clockwise Orbit**

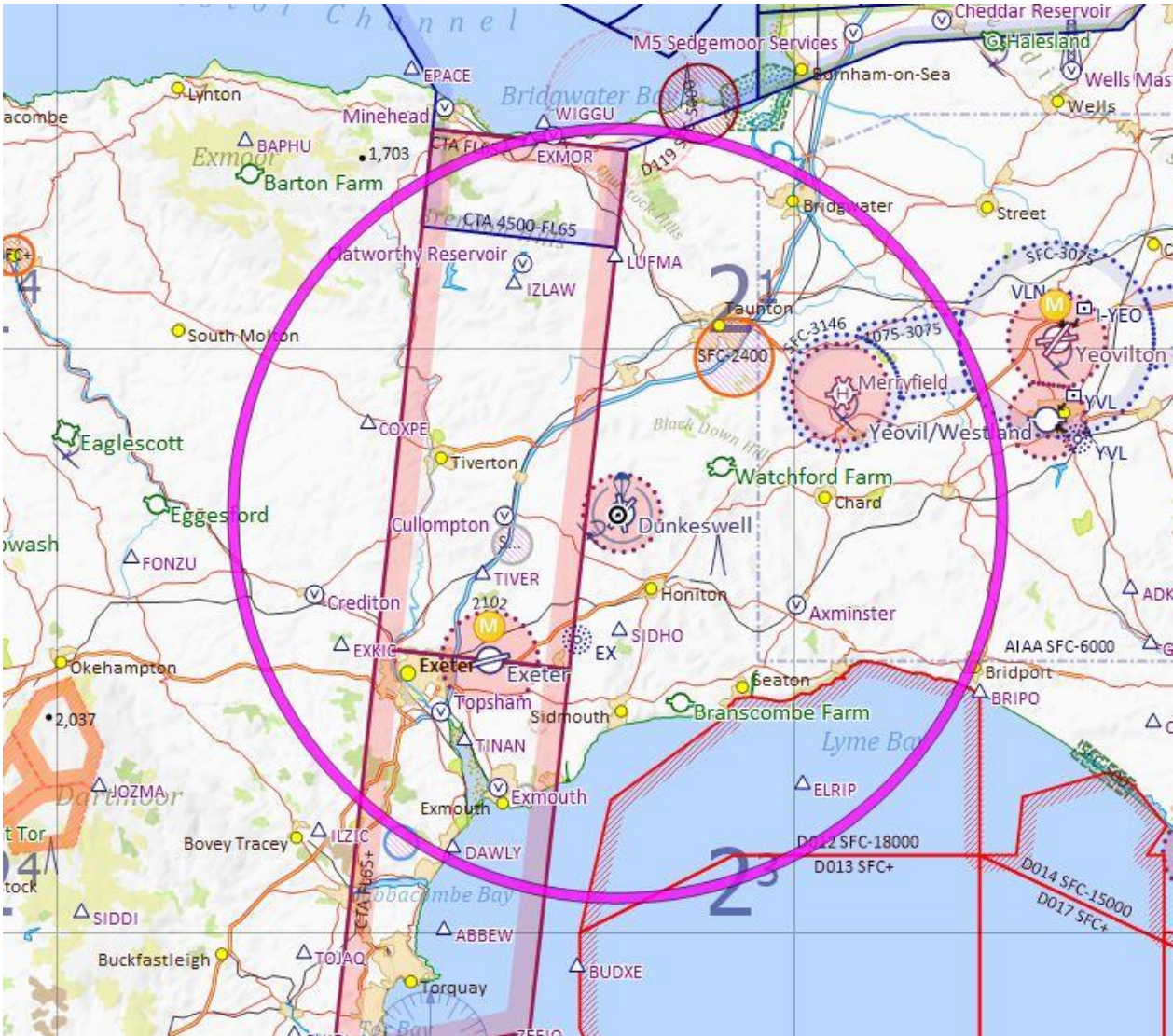


Chart 2 – Serial A2 – R246 from DFO to 102D (LND)

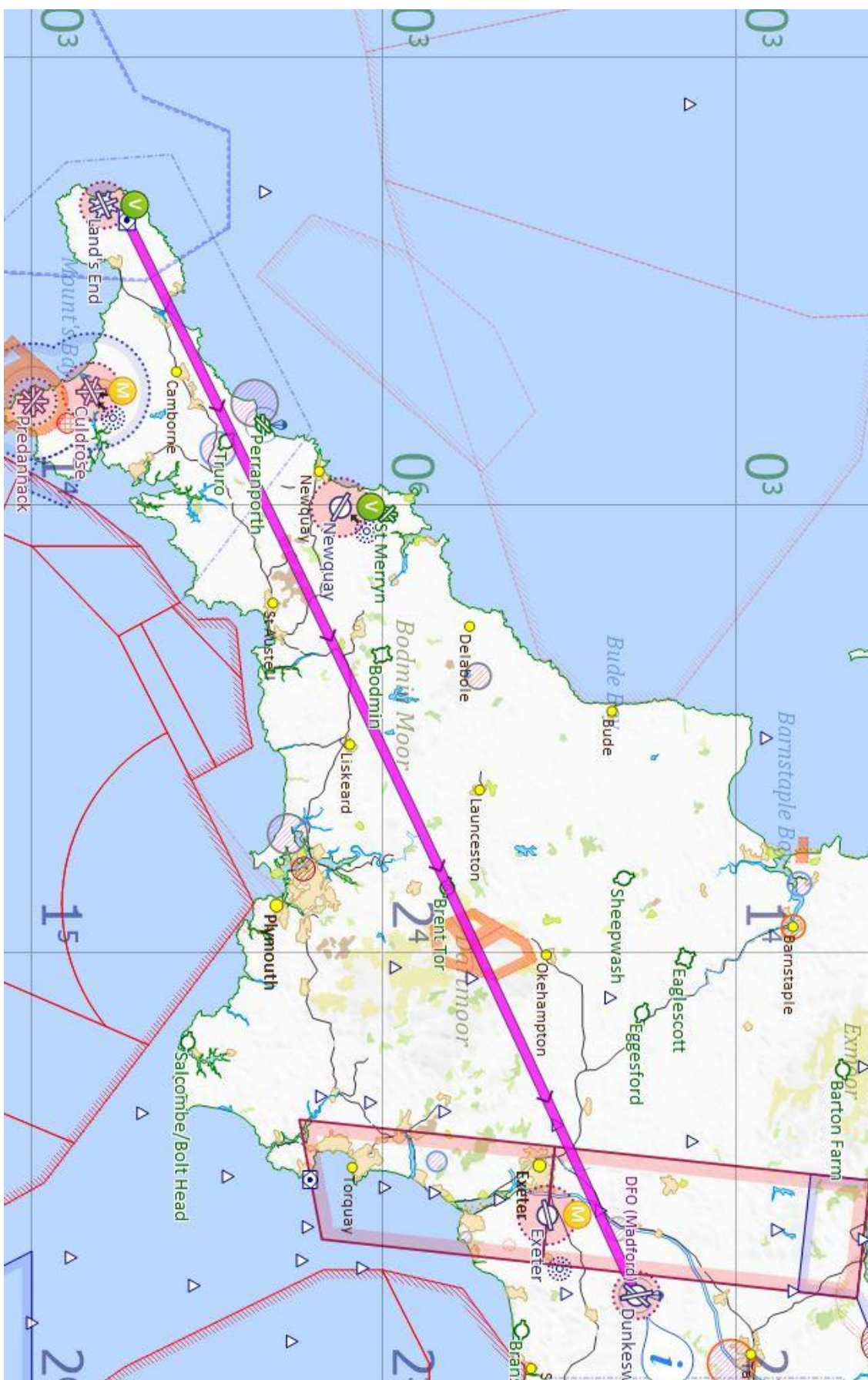
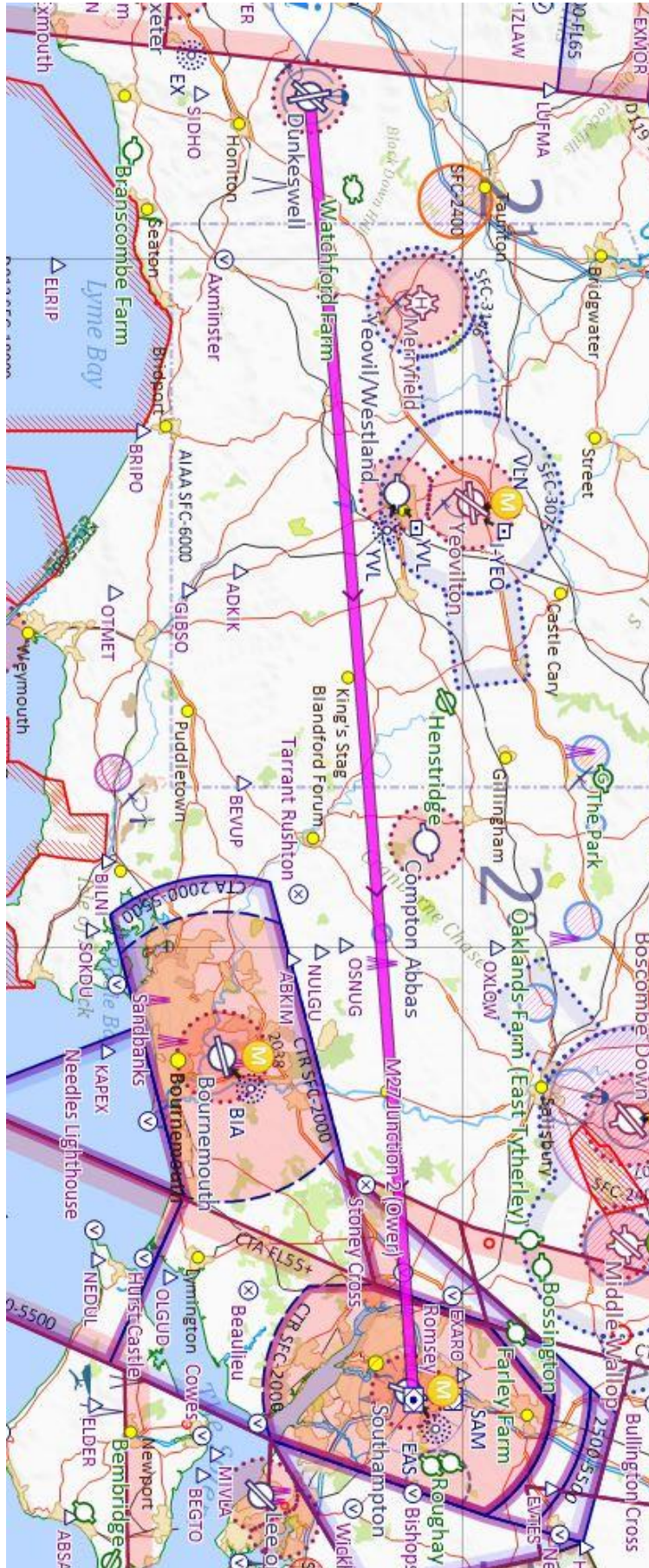


Chart 3 – Serial A3 - R085 from DFO to 72D (SAM)



**Chart 4 – Serial A4**  
**R345 from DFO to 55D (overhead to 10nm past the Extremity of Cardiff/Bristol CTA/CTR)**

