

Emergency Services Helicopters - Landing and Taking Off Near Open-Air Assemblies

Interpretation

1. In this General Exemption and Permission, 'Emergency Services Helicopter' means any helicopter for the time being operated under an Air Operator Certificate or Police Air Operator Certificate granted by the UK CAA for Search and Rescue operations or for a Helicopter Emergency Medical Service or in the service of a police authority.

General Exemption and Permission

2. The Department for Enterprise ('the Department'), in exercise of its powers under Article 9 of the Civil Aviation (Rules of the Air) Order 2021¹, exempts any aircraft from the requirement to comply with Rule 3(2)(b) of Schedule 1 to the Civil Aviation (Rules of the Air) Order 2021 ('The Rules of the Air 2021') when landing or taking-off near an organised open-air assembly of more than 1000 persons subject to the conditions in paragraph 4.
3. The Department, pursuant to Rule 3(1)(b) of The Rules of the Air 2021, additionally permits any helicopter for the time being operated by as an Emergency Services Helicopter, to take-off or land at a landing site which is not an aerodrome within a congested area subject to the conditions in paragraph 4.
4. The conditions specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 are that:
 - (a) the take-off and landing shall be conducted in accordance with procedures specified in the Emergency Services Helicopter operator's operations manual;
 - (b) the operator shall make a record of the occasions on which flights pursuant to this General Exemption and Permission are made; and
 - (c) any record required to be made pursuant to this exemption or permission shall be retained by the operator for 12 months and shall, within a reasonable time of being demanded by an authorised person, be produced by the operator to that authorised person.

Cancellation of previous exemption and permission

5. General Exemption and Permission **2021/039** is hereby revoked.

Date in force

6. This permission has effect from **30 November 2021** until it is revoked.

Signed:

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Colin Gill
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¹ SD No. 2021/0184