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General Permissions

Standardised European Rules of the Air – Compliance with Cruising Level Requirements

1) Definition

In these permissions 'SERA' means the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 923/2012 of 26 September 2012 ('the Standardised European Rules of the Air' (SERA)).

2) SERA.5005(g) (Visual flight rules)

The Civil Aviation Authority permits, under SERA.5005(g), an aircraft in level cruising flight and operated in accordance with the visual flight rules above 3,000 feet above mean sea level to be flown at a level other than a cruising level appropriate to its magnetic track as specified in the table of cruising levels in Appendix 3 of SERA.

3) SERA.5025(a) (IFR - Rules Applicable to IFR flights outside controlled airspace)

- a) The Civil Aviation Authority permits, under SERA.5025(a), an aircraft in level flight outside controlled airspace at or below 3,000 feet above mean sea level and operated in accordance with the instrument flight rules to be flown at a level other than a cruising level appropriate to its magnetic track.
- b) The Civil Aviation Authority further permits, under SERA.5025(a), an aircraft in level flight outside controlled airspace above 3,000 feet above mean sea level and operated in accordance with the instrument flight rules to be flown at a level other than a cruising level appropriate to its magnetic track if it flies:
 - i) in conformity with the instructions of the appropriate air traffic service unit; or
 - ii) in accordance with holding procedures notified by the Civil Aviation Authority in relation to an aerodrome.
- c) In subparagraph (b) 'notified' has the same meaning as in article 2 and schedule 1 of the Air Navigation Order 2016.

4) Validity

This supersedes Official Record Series 4 No. 1126, which is revoked and has effect from the date it is signed and remains in force until revoked.

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Explanatory note:

In relation to paragraph 2) above, this permission does not alleviate a pilot from their responsibility to comply with the conditions specified within an air traffic control clearance. Pilots who determine that an air traffic control clearance is unsatisfactory are to comply with SERA.8015(b)(2).

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