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CHANGES IN SUPPORT OF CAA POLICY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF SPECIAL USE AIRSPACE

1 Aim

- 1.1 To inform stakeholders about the changes that will be made to the AIP following the publication of the CAA policy for the Establishment and Operation of Special Use Airspace.

2 Introduction

- 2.1 The Special Use Airspace policy provides a framework for the establishment and operation of Prohibited Areas, Restricted Areas, Danger Areas, Temporary Segregated Areas, Temporary Reserved Areas and Cross Border Areas.
- 2.2 As a result of this new policy, changes will be made to the AIP to align with the policy content and these are summarised below. These changes will be introduced through a CAA sponsored ACP (ACP-2023-081).

3 Amendments to ENR 1.1 Section 5

- 3.1 Section 5 of ENR 1.1 will be renamed as 'SPECIAL USE AIRSPACE AND HAZARDS TO FLIGHT'. The content will be re-structured and amended to align with the terminology of the Special Use Airspace Policy.
- 3.2 Information in Section 5 regarding Temporary Reserved Areas 001-008 will not fully align with some aspects of the Special Use Airspace policy. The current operations in Temporary Reserved Areas 001-008 will remain extant until they are reviewed to fully align their operation with the requirements of the Special Use Airspace policy.
- 3.3 The Danger Area Crossing Service (DACS) and Danger Area Activity Information Service (DAAIS) has been replaced by the Special Use Airspace Crossing Service (SUACS) and Special Use Airspace Activity Information Service (SUA AIS). The requirements for provision and method of obtaining these services has not changed but the description has been updated to improve clarity on what can and cannot be provided under each service.
- 3.4 Until the amendments to the AIP become effective on **18 April 2024** there will be a discrepancy between the terminology used in the Special Use Airspace Policy and the AIP.

4 Amendments to ENR 5.1 and 5.2

- 4.1 References to DACS and DAAIS in the Remarks column of the tables in these sections will be amended to SUACS and SUA AIS.
- 4.2 There will be future amendments to the layout and content of ENR 5.1 and 5.2.

5 Associated changes

- 5.1 To support the introduction of the terms SUACS and SUA AIS, amendments will be made to the Radiotelephony Manual (CAP 413) and promulgated separately.

6 Implementation

- 6.1 These updates are being progressed under ACP-2023-081 and will be published in AIRAC 4/2024, effective on the **18 April 2024**.