

PILOTS NOTICE 10/2013

MANAGEMENT OF THE INTERACTION OF IFR AND VFR TRAFFIC BETWEEN FAIROAKS AND FARNBOROUGH

Traffic departing from Fairoaks can pass close to the final approach path for runway 24 at Farnborough

Current procedures

In accordance with the terms of a letter of agreement between Fairoaks and Farnborough when traffic is positioning for runway 24 at Farnborough Fairoaks must notify Farnborough of all departures from the Fairoaks ATZ.

Farnborough usually request that the departure remain below 1400ft QNH and contact Farnborough when airborne. A discreet SSR code may be issued.

Occasionally Farnborough may request that Fairoaks traffic delays its departure for a short while. The Fairoaks departure may also attract a delay if the telephone line to Farnborough is busy.

Trial amended procedures

Commencing on January 20th until April 20th 2014 Fairoaks and Farnborough will be running a trial for handling Fairoaks departures when the runway 24 traffic pattern at Farnborough is active.

Fairoaks will pass the following r/t package prior to departure to all aircraft leaving the circuit when the Farnborough 24 approach pattern is active.

e.g. - *"Golf India Uniform, for co-ordination, Farnborough request not above altitude 1400ft due conflicting traffic."*

Traffic that has agreed the coordination can then depart without reference to Farnborough thus reducing the possibility of any departure delay.

When airborne Fairoaks will instruct the aircraft to freecall Farnborough on 125.250MHz

When able the LARS West controller shall offer a discrete squawk, QNH, a suitable service and traffic information on the conflicting Farnborough inbound.

As soon as they are able Farnborough will derestrict the departing aircraft's level.

Departing aircraft MUST inform Fairoaks on first call if their transponder is known to be unserviceable or they are not transponder equipped.

Advantages over the current procedure

Improved integration of IFR/VFR traffic

Reduced possibility of delay to Fairoaks departures.

A commitment from Farnborough to derestrict the altitude restriction as soon as they are able.

Nats Farnborough and Fairoaks Operations Ltd will be holding joint briefings on **Wednesday 8th and Wednesday 15th January**. The venue will be the bar at the flight centre from 1900, a drink and nibbles will be provided. Please try and come along.

Martin Hill

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(On behalf of Barry Hodgkinson, Airport Manager)