

REGIONAL AIRSPACE AND PROCEDURES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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TITLE	Military Exercise Ocean Explorer – Request for feedback
SUBMITTED BY	Squadron Leader Ben Chaffey, Joint Airspace Control Cell, RAAF
PURPOSE	Establishment of Temporary Danger Area to west of King Island for naval activity and low-level flying, for 25 February 2020 to 08 March 2020.
KEY ISSUES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aircraft operating low-level west of King Island, conducting random manoeuvring in Class G airspace• Aircraft may be intermittently have Mode 3 off whilst flying• TDA is designed clear of all air routes and well clear of land (SFC – FL120).• No aircraft will be based at King Island so nil impact to local operators.• King Island Airport operators were invited to provide feedback by email distribution on September 24 2019. No feedback was received.• Request feedback by 30 November 2019.
ATTACHMENTS	Draft AIP SUP for Ocean Explorer 2020

The Draft AIP SUP for Ocean Explorer 2020 is attached for feedback.

TAS RAPAC members are invited to provide feedback via email to adf.airspace@defence.gov.au by 30 November 2019.

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MILITARY EXERCISE OCEAN EXPLORER

17 February – 08 March 2020

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Australian Defence Force will be conducting Exercise Ocean Explorer in South Eastern Australia between the Eastern Australia Exercise Area (EAXA) and King Island during the period 17 February – 08 March 2020.

1.2 The exercise will include maritime patrol and low-level jet aircraft in addition to ship-borne helicopter operations.

2. AIRSPACE

2.2 The following permanent restricted and danger areas will be activated by NOTAM during the period 17 – 25 February 2020 (see Appendix 1):

IDENT	VERTICAL LIMITS	HOURS
R453D	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453E	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453F	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453G	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM

R453H	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453J	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453K	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453L	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453M	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453N	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM
R453P	SFC-NOTAM	NOTAM

2.3 The following temporary danger area has been established to support low-level fast jet manoeuvres and will be activated by NOTAM during the period 24 February – 08 March 2020 (see Appendix 2):

YMMM/TDA King Island

Military Flying

Lateral Limits: 3900S 13940E, 3900S 14340E, 4030S 14340E, 4030S 13940E

Vertical Limits: SFC – FL120

Hours of Activity: NOTAM

Controlling Authority: Joint Airspace Control Cell (02) 6128 4857

3. MILITARY AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS

3.1 Within danger areas, high-speed military jet aircraft will be operating on random tracks without communications. Traffic information will not be provided to or about Exercise Ocean Explorer aircraft operating in danger areas.

3.2 Some aircraft within TDA King Island will be intermittently nil Mode 3 transponder during operations. This will be broadcast on appropriate CTAF or Broadcast Area frequencies.

2.4 Fly Neighbourly Advice. (FN22 NAVY WARSHIPS)

- 2.4.1 Pilots of civil aircraft and helicopters are to avoid warships by 5NM and are not to overfly below 2,000 FT AMSL. Pilots are not to circle the warship at any time.
- 2.4.2 Traffic alerts and warnings may be passed to aircraft operating in close proximity to warships on FREQ 121.5MHz.
- 2.5 Military aircraft will monitor, and when necessary broadcast on, the appropriate Area, CTAF or Broadcast Area frequency relative to their location.
- 2.6 The Joint Airspace Control Cell (JACC) is available for general exercise airspace enquires on (02) 6128 4857 / 4858 during normal business hours or adf.airspace@defence.gov.au.

4. CANCELLATION

- 4.1 This AIP SUP will self-cancel at 2003081200 UTC.

5. DISTRIBUTION

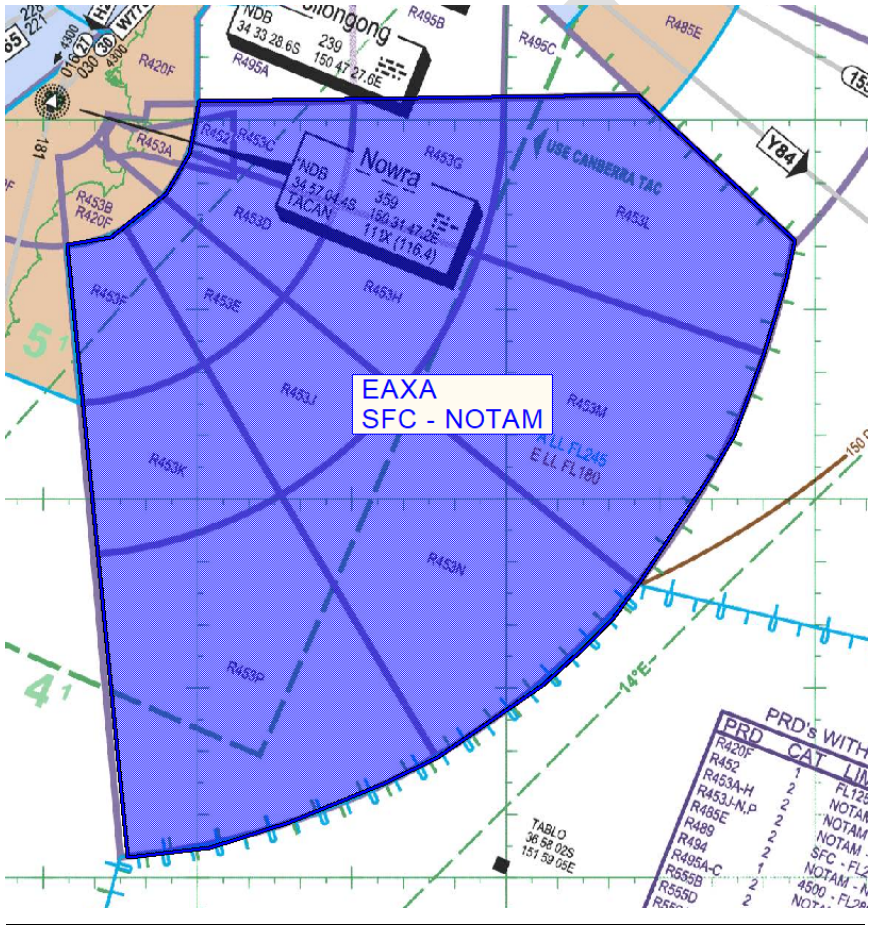
- 5.1 By Airservices Australia website only

Appendix

1. Eastern Australian Exercise Airspace
 2. TDA King Island
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APPENDIX 1 TO
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Eastern Australian Exercise Airspace



APPENDIX 2 TO
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TDA King Island

