

Miscellaneous

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[Air Navigation Order 2016](#)

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General Permission

Use of Type Approved Microlights and Gyroplanes for Flight Training or Self-Fly Hire

Background

- 1) This General Permission replaces previous Permission 1583 with regard to the use of type approved microlights and gyroplanes which fly in accordance with a National Permit to Fly.

Interpretation

- 2) In this Permission,
 - a) the “Order” means the Air Navigation Order 2016 (as amended)
 - b) the “CAA” means the Civil Aviation Authority
 - c) “type approved gyroplane” means a gyroplane which has been designed in accordance with BCAR Section T and is in conformity with a type approval data sheet approved by the CAA; and
 - d) “type approved microlight aeroplane” means a microlight aeroplane in conformity with a type approval data sheet approved by the CAA.
 - e) ‘Microlight aeroplane’ means an aircraft as defined in Schedule 1 of the Order.
 - f) “Commercial Operation” has the same meaning as is defined at Article 7 of the Order¹.

Permission

- 3) The CAA, pursuant to Article 42(1)(b) of the Order, permits the specified aircraft, subject to the specified conditions, to fly for the purposes of the specified operations.
- 4) The specified aircraft is any type approved microlight aeroplane or type approved gyroplane.

¹ Any operation of an aircraft other than for public transport:

- (a) which is available to the public; or
- (b) which, when not made available to the public, is performed under a contract between an operator and a customer, where the latter has no control over the operator, in return for remuneration or other valuable consideration

- 5) The specified operations are –
- a) a commercial operation that consists of flight instruction or testing;
 - b) an introductory flight in accordance with Article 15 of the Order; and
 - c) self-fly hire.
- 6) The specified conditions are –
- a) in the case of the self-fly hire of gyroplanes, the owner of the aircraft has made the appropriate declaration as set out in Appendix C of the “Code of Practice for Gyroplane Hire”; and
 - b) in the case of the self-fly hire of microlight aeroplanes, the aircraft is operated in accordance with the latest revision of British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA) Technical Information Leaflet No.32.
- 7) This permission supersedes Official Record Series 4 No.1583, which is revoked.

Date in Force

- 8) This permission has effect from the date it is signed until 30 September 2029, both dates inclusive, unless previously revoked.

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