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Title of Proposal: 3000 series

RA(s) or Manual Chapter(s): RA 3224

Organizations and / or business sectors affected: StratCom, 1Gp, 2Gp, JAC, Royal Navy

RFC Serial No: None

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Cross-references to Other Documents or Relevant Sources

Other MRP Amendments: N/A

Service Inquiry Recommendations: N/A

AAIB Recommendations: N/A

Other Investigation Recommendations: N/A

Any Other Document: N/A

Feedback Notes for the Regulated Community

The Regulated Community are invited to offer feedback about the proposed amendment in the following areas:

- Air or Flight Safety impact
- Operational impact
- Errors or omissions
- Timescale for implementation

- Cost of implementation
- Amendment to internal processes/orders
- Resourcing the outcome of change
- (Contract amendments because of the change)

The format for feedback is available within a single Excel Template file on both internal and external MAA websites; it is important to use this format to ensure that your responses are considered and answered correctly.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

Objective: To update the RA and include NATO control rules.

Changes made: The Regulation has had numerous changes throughout; as well as link-updates and detail on NATO Control Rules added.

When RA 3224 is released on NAA it will be issued as a substantial rewrite; so the red writing will be removed.

Impact Assessment: Negligible

Consultation Period Ends: 4 weeks

The consultation period for this proposed amendment ends on the stated date. Please send your feedback, using the Response Form, via email to DSA-MAA-MRPEnquiries@mod.gov.uk

MAA Approval

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RA 3224 – UK Flight Information Services ► and North Atlantic Treaty Organization Control Rules ◀

Rationale

► *Controllers and Flight Information Service Officers (FISOs) are required to provide a range of services in order to maintain a safe and expeditious flow of air traffic. Without a standardized system to deliver these services across different airspace, a key Safety barrier is eroded. UK Flight Information Services (FIS) and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Control Rules enable a standardized delivery of control services.* ◀

Contents

3224(1): UK Flight Information Services

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Regulation 3224(1)

UK Flight Information Services

3224(1) ► Aviation Duty Holder-Facing Organizations and Accountable Manager (Military Flying) – Facing Organizations (AA-Facing Organizations) **shall** provide Air Systems with UK FIS appropriate to the airspace classification of the UK FIR in which the Air Systems are operating. ◀

Acceptable Means of Compliance 3224(1)

UK Flight Information Services

1. UK FIS **should** be provided in accordance with (iaw) ► [CAP 774 - UK FIS \(Dec 21\)](#). ◀
2. ► ◀
3. ► ◀

Guidance Material 3224(1)

UK Flight Information Services

4. UK FIS may be utilized outside of the UK FIR where specified in Local / Unit Orders.

Regulation 3224(2)

► North Atlantic Treaty Organization Control Rules

3224(2) AA-Facing Organizations **shall** ensure that NATO Control Rules are provided iaw airspace and operating requirements. ◀

Acceptable Means of Compliance 3224(2)

► North Atlantic Treaty Organization Control Rules

5. NATO Control Rules **should** be provided:
 - a. Only by personnel that are suitably trained and authorized to do so.
 - b. iaw ATP 3.3.5.1¹. ◀

¹ ► Refer to [ATP-3.3.5.1 Joint Airspace Control Tactics, Techniques and Procedures](#). ◀

**Guidance
Material
3224(2)****► North Atlantic Treaty Organization Control Rules**

6. Where provision of UK FIS are not applicable, authorized units² may provide NATO Control Rules as defined in ATP 3.3.5.1¹ in conjunction with AJP 3.3.5³. NATO Control Rules are categorized by Mission Control and Safety Service, and the qualification criteria for Controllers authorized to provide them are laid down in the following documents:

- a. **STANAG 1183.** ATP-3.3.5.2 NATO Qualifications for Fixed Wing Above Water Warfare / Aerospace Surveillance and Control Systems (AWW / ASACS) Aircraft Controllers.
- b. **STANAG 1154.** ATP-78 NATO Qualifications for Helicopter Controllers at Sea.
- c. BRd768 - Naval Air Traffic Management Orders Annex 3202. ◀

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² ► This applies to UK Airspace Surveillance and Commands System (ASACS) Units, Maritime platforms and Non-UK ASACS units.

³ Refer to AJP 3.3.5 - Doctrine for Joint Airspace Control. ◀