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AIDE MEMOIRE FOR PORTLAND HELIPORT VISITING AIRCREW (V3.3)

References:

- A. HeliOperations Portland Aerodrome Manual.
- B. No 1 AIDU Flight Information Publication, Helicopter Landing Sites, United Kingdom.
- 1. All visiting aircraft to Portland HeliPort are PPR; call 01305 701702 or email 'info@helioperations.co.uk'.
- 2. In addition to normal flight planning requirements (airspace clearances, restrictions and the UK Military Low Flying System avoidances), References A and B are the primary source of information for all Portland HeliPort visiting aircrew.
- 3. HeliOperations has established a very good relationship with the HeliPort's neighbours and local population. To that end all Visiting Aircraft are requested, when safe and practical to do so, to consider the following:
 - a. Minimize overland low flying within 10nm of Portland HeliPort.
 - b. Avoid unnecessary overflight of the Isle of Portland and any adjacent built up areas.
 - c. Minimize unnecessary and extended engines/rotors running, particularly during unsociable hours.
- 4. To highlight key points from the References, the following should be noted:
 - a. Radio

The frequency 131.685 Mhz, callsign 'HeliOps Zero', will not always be manned, however blind calls are requested on approaching and departing the Heliport.

- b. Approach and Departure
 - i. All approaches and departures to the HeliPort are conducted at the Aircraft Commander's discretion and should normally be made to the mid-point of the runway, avoiding prolonged hovering and consequential potential for downwash impact on the adjacent site.
 - ii. There is a public right of way on the immediate undershoot to Runway 21, therefore if approaching or departing the runway to or from the North East, crews should plan to overfly the right of way as high as is safely possible to minimize any downwash effects.

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- c. HeliPort Manoeuvring
 - i. Following approach to the runway mid-point, aircraft are to **hover taxi** over the raised grass bank to the 'H' in the dispersal area.
 - ii. All ground taxy capable aircraft, should land and take off at the 'H' and ground taxy to and from the Refuel Spot under guidance from the marshaller.
 - iii. All aircraft are requested to be downwash aware whilst manoeuvring on the HeliPort.
- d. Booking Changes

Any changes to an original PPR booking should be passed to the HeliOps Duty Ops Staff on 07795 984096 or 01305 701702.

e. Approach/Departure Path and Local Avoids

There are a number of sensitive areas and potential aviation hazards in close proximity to Portland HeliPort. If safe to do so, visiting aircraft are requested to observe the highlighted sensitive areas. See below:





f. HeliPort Detail

Approach to / Depart from Runway mid-point



