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## **CONTROLLED AIRSPACE ESTABLISHED AROUND ROBIN HOOD AIRPORT**

New measures to enhance the safety of air traffic control operations in the area of Robin Hood Airport Doncaster Sheffield have been approved by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Class D Control Zones (CTRs) and Control Areas (CTAs) will be introduced on 28 August 2008. The airspace revisions will enhance flight safety and the airport's air traffic control unit will continue to provide radar and non-radar services, both inside and outside the new airspace boundaries, to all airspace users.

Approval to establish the new zones has been given by the CAA following a rigorous scrutiny of change proposals submitted by the airport earlier this year. They have been subject to consultation by the airport with the aviation community, local government and environmental groups in accordance with the CAA's Airspace Change Process.

In conjunction with the establishment of the CTRs and CTAs, standard instrument arrival and departure procedures will be introduced, as will a number of additional Visual Reference Points serving both Robin Hood Airport and Retford/Gamston aerodrome.

Details of the changes will be published in Aeronautical Information Circular 67/2008 (Yellow 269) dated 17 July 2008 and in AIRAC 9/2008.

Pilots should note that 1:500000 Aeronautical Chart 'Northern England and Northern Ireland' (Sheet 2171AB) Edition 31, to be published on 28 August 2008, will incorporate the changes.

The revised airspace will also be depicted on 1:250000 Aeronautical Charts 'Central England and Wales' (Sheet 5) and 'England East' (Sheet 6) when the current editions are replaced in April 2009 and early 2010 respectively.

A map showing the new airspace is attached.

<<20080701ImplementationPressReleasePN3608Map.pdf>>

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### **Notes to Editors**

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operations. In accordance with its statutory functions, the CAA is responsible for dealing with applications by sponsors for an airspace change. A change to the use or classification of airspace in the UK can take many forms but can only be made after consultation and where it is clear that airspace management considerations and the overriding need for safety allow for no practical alternative, or where an overall environmental benefit will accrue. More information on the Airspace Change Process (ACP) and DAP's wider functions are set out in DAP's Airspace Charter (CAP 724) which is available on the CAA's website at [www.caa.co.uk/dap](http://www.caa.co.uk/dap).

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