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FREE GPS GUIDE RELEASED FOR GA PILOTS

A CD guide to navigating with GPS has just been released for GA pilots. The disc aims to highlight the benefits as well as the limitations of using GPS technology as a navigational aid. Produced by the Civil Aviation Authority through the Airspace & Safety Initiative the CD explains how GPS actually works and the dangers of over reliance on it.

The CDs are initially being distributed to flying schools and clubs across the UK, but will be made available to the wider GA community throughout the Summer at air shows such as AeroExpo and the LAA Rally at Sywell. The content will also shortly be available on the ASI website, www.airspacesafety.com

Pilots unable to wait that long are encouraged to contact the CAA directly for a free copy.

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Notes to Editors:

*The Airspace & Safety Initiative (ASI) is a joint CAA, NATS, Airport Operator's Association, General Aviation and Ministry of Defence effort to investigate and tackle the major safety risks in UK airspace.

It emerged from a top-level discussion between the CAA Chairman, NATS Chief Executive and MoD Assistant Chief of the Air Staff following a number of incidents where light aircraft infringed controlled airspace, or military and commercial flights conflicted outside controlled airspace.

The ASI is a major review covering a number of different areas, with the aims of:

- Enhancing safety outside controlled airspace

- Identifying the hazards associated with the use of UK airspace
- Identifying the needs of all airspace users
- Prioritizing the hazards, and
- Developing a strategy to mitigate those risks while meeting the needs of all airspace users.

For more information on the ASI project visit www.airspacesafety.com and for PPL information on airspace infringements visit www.flyontrack.co.uk

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