



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS LETTER OF AGREEMENT

## IVAO ARGENTINA

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## INTRODUCTION

The objective of this document is to regulate and standardize the procedures for Special Operations within the Argentine division.

Just as Special Operations are an integral part of aviation in reality, they are also an integral part of IVAO and its aviation simulation. To regulate Special Operations activities in IVAO, the Special Operations Department (SOD) was established, which regulates these activities in the network.

Special Operations at the divisional level are regulated by the Special Operations Coordinator (SOC) and the Assistant Special Operations Coordinator (SOAC).

## WHAT SPECIAL OPERATIONS ARE?

Special Operations are defined as all flights and operations that do not fall under the definition of General Air Traffic (GAT) and are therefore qualified as Operational Air Traffic (OAT).

Special Operations Activities include, but are not limited to:

- ✓ -Coast Guard
- ✓ -Search and Rescue
- ✓ -Police Flights/Medical Aircraft
- ✓ -All types of military flights, which do not follow GAT procedures

Therefore, any flight that does not follow routes and procedures established by ICAO is classified as an OAT flight, and therefore falls under the responsibility of the Department of Special Operations.

We must bear in mind that the definition of operational air traffic corresponds only to that aircraft/group of aircraft that is performing a specific mission; e.g. Air Patrol, Interception, Flight Resupply, VIP Transfers.

Any military aircraft performing a flight from point "A" to point "B" will not receive operational classification, since due to the type of flight, it is considered GAT and must comply with the rules and regulations in the same way as any civil aircraft.

Operational traffics will have priority over general traffics only if they are under Air Defense (Interception-Identification), Search and Rescue, State Transfer (Presidential-Executive), Special Operations event or exercise missions.

Aircraft classified as OAT should never interfere with the flight of GAT aircraft.

As a general rule, OAT pilots must inform the ATC on duty of which airspace they will carry out their activities, and what types of activities and for how long.

(E.g. "ALFA1 will operate in SAR113, training practice for 0130 hs").

Once informed of this, they will notify the Civil ATC only upon exiting the SAR or Operations area and re-entering the GAT classification for return to base.





## RESTRICTIONS FOR FOREIGN PILOTS

OAT activities performed by pilots of divisions other than Argentina are not authorized unless they are participating in Special Operations events and under the supervision of the Special Operations Department.

Any OAT activity carried out by foreign pilots must be coordinated with the Department of Special Operations at least two weeks prior to the start of the same.

Military flights with GAT classification (Ferry-Navigation) do not need prior authorization from the Department of Special Operations, as long as they remain under that classification.

## RESTRICTIONS FOR ARGENTINE DIVISION PILOTS

OAT activities performed by pilots of the Argentine Division are authorized, following HQ regulations, under the following classifications:

- **CAT-A** : Firefighting, police flights, health flights, coast guard, Search and rescue, MEDEVAC-CASEVAC, VIP flights (with possible escort), humanitarian operations, logistical flights (transport), flights in formation, air-to-air refueling, onboard/air carrier operations, low-level flights, tactical transport, AWACS operations, basic combat maneuvers, combat air patrol, interception practice.
- **CAT-D**: Under this classification we have practice flights for aerial demonstrations (Airshow) and for aerial races (Air Race), as well as demonstration flights for these events.
- **CAT-E** This category includes practice flights for events (e.g. Flight Replenishment), designed for individual flights as well as for training and SOGs.

In order to be able to carry out these activities, the interested pilot must contact the Department of Special Operations to receive the corresponding authorization..

## OPERATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS

Only those units that are exclusively military will be able to control OAT traffic, since it is required to have knowledge of missions, procedures and performances of the aircraft operating.

In order to be a Special Operations controller, any interested ATC must receive a brief instruction from the Special Operations Department.

Once this instruction has been completed, it will be qualified for a certain type of mission.





## SPEED RESTRICTIONS

GND – FL100: 350kts Military

FL100 – UNL: <M 1.0 (Supersonic at request)

## RESTRICTED AIRSPACES

Activated by NOTAM, under denomination SAR

### FIRING RANGES (CAT-B)

Active ONLY by NOTAM and MIL ATC on duty

SAR18 - "CHOIQUE" - UNL/GND

SAR19 - "TORNQUIST"- UNL/GND

SAR103 - "TUNUYAN" - UNL/GND

SAR110 - "ANTUNA" - FL240/GND

SAR111 - "RAMBLON" - UNL/GND

SAR112 - "VILLA REYNOLDS SUDOESTE" - UNL/GND

## MILITARY TRAINING AREAS

Activated by NOTAM, under denomination SAR

## INTERCEPTION FLIGHTS

Interception flights should ONLY be performed according to the following rules:

- ✓ Only during approved operations (Events, Trainings)
- ✓ Under SOC / SOAC authorization, being supervised.
- ✓ Individual pilots and approved SOGs.

## MILITARY BASES

ICAO: **SAAI**

Name: Punta Indio

Location: Buenos Aires

Activity NAVY- Training base - Fighter - Maritime Surveillance

ICAO: **SACA**

Name: FAdeA

Location: Córdoba

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Activity: AIR FORCE - Test and development center

ICAO: **SACE**

Name: E.A.M

Location: Córdoba

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Activity: AIR FORCE - Pilots School

ICAO: **SADJ**

Name: Mariano Moreno

Location: Buenos Aires

Activity: AIR FORCE - Helicopters - Cargo - Transport

ICAO: **SADO**

Name: Campo de Mayo

Location: Buenos Aires

Activity: ARMY - Helicopters - Cargo - Transport

ICAO: **SAOC**

Name: Río Cuarto

Location: Córdoba

Activity: AIR FORCE - Maintenance Center

ICAO: **SAOR**

Name: Villa Reynolds

Location: San Luis

Activity: AIR FORCE -Fighters

ICAO: **SAVT**

Name: Almirante ZAR

Location: Trelew

Activity: NAVY - Cargo - Transport

ICAO: **SAWB**

Name: Base Vicecomodoro Marambio

Location: Antarctica

Activity: AIR FORCE - Cargo - Transport - Helicopters

ICAO: **SAZT**

Name: Tandil

Location: Buenos

Aires

Activity: AIR FORCE - Fighters





## JOIN MIL-CIV AERODROMES

ICAO: **SAAP**

Name: Paraná

Location: Entre  
Ríos

Activity: AIR FORCE - Transport - Recon

ICAO: **SADM**

Name: Morón

Location: Buenos  
Aires

Activity: AIR FORCE- Transport

ICAO: **SADP**

Name: El Palomar

Location: Buenos  
Aires

Activity: AIR FORCE - Cargo - Transport

ICAO: **SAME**

Name: El Plumerillo

Location: Mendoza

Activity: AIR FORCE -Fighter School

ICAO: **SATR**

Name: Reconquista

Location: Santa Fé

Activity AIR FORCE - Attack

ICAO: **SAZB**

Name: Base Comandante Espora

Location: Buenos Aires

Activity: NAVY - Transport - SAR





