

# 1 - General rules

Special Operations (SO) can be defined as all non-civilian operations related to Air Traffic Control (ATC) and/or flights that are not commercial nor general aviation. SO are mainly related to military flights, police missions, search and rescue, firefighting and so on.

Obviously, SO are subjected to rules which are stricter than the ones for regular flights or ATC. If you want to participate to our SO whatever your role (pilot or ATC), we do recommend you to read the following rules.

## 1.1 - Pilots

- Apart from our SO events and SO tours, meaning apart from all missions, you must comply with the flight rules that are published by IVAO HQ (IR.2.3 Pilot Specific) .
- The maximum speed for all aircraft including Fighters is 250 kts below FL100. Fighters can increase their speed up to 350 kts below FL100 for the takeoff/climb procedure only if they have an ATC clearance.
- Fighters are not allowed to evolve on civilian airports (landing / take-off) and must operate in approved airports that are listed below.
- For training purposes, France Division collaborates with the SOG(s) Only pilots belonging to the declared SOG (s) are allowed to operate in real military conditions.

## 1.2 - Controllers

- According to the FRA, it is possible to handle a military airport. The specific procedures to each field are available on the website of the French DIRCAM and must be known. Regardless of some details and differences, the military control is similar to the civilian one (phraseology and so on).
- However, taking into account the technical limitations of the IVAO ATC software, it is not possible to handle Precision Radar Approaches (PAR). Moreover, the ATIS of the ATC must include the colour of the field and the actual QFE.

## 1.3 - Military airfields

LFOA AVORD (Transport school)

[LFBC CAZAUX \(Fighter\)](#)

[LFOC CHATEAUDUN \(Fighter\)](#)

[LFBG COGNAC \(Fighter\)](#)

LFQE ETAIN (Helicopter base)

LFOE EVREUX (Transport)

[LFTH HYERES \(Navy fighter\)](#)

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LFMI ISTRES (Fighter / de Transport C/KC 135)

LFRJ LANDIVISIAU (Navy fighter)

LFRL LANVEOC (Nay helicopter base)

LFMC LE LUC (ALAT helicopter school)

LFRH LORIENT (Navy base)

LFSX LUXEUIL (Fighter)

LFBM MARSAN (Fighter)

LFSO OCHEY (Fighter)

LFMO ORANGE (Fighter)

LFOJ ORLEANS (Transport)

LFQP PHALSBOURG (ALAT helicopter base)

LFSI SAINT DIZIER (Fighter)

LFMY SALON (PAF base, fighter)

LFKS SOLENZARA (Support Training fighter)

LFOT TOURS (Transport)

LFPV VILLACOUBLAY (Transport)

Note: only the airports indicated in blue are fighter-approved

## **1.4 - Transponder codes to be used for SO flights**

- 7400: real mission related to aeronautical safety
- 7401: escort flight
- 0300: COM V flight (uncontrolled military VFR flight)
- 0400: COM V flight (fighter VFR flight between FL115 and FL195 (LTA))