

ENR 1.4 ATS AIRSPACE CLASSIFICATION

1. Classification of airspace

ATS airspace are classified and designated in accordance with the following:

Class A. IFR flights only are permitted, all flights are subject to air traffic control service and are separated from each other.

Class B. IFR and VFR flights are permitted. All flights are subject to air traffic control service and are separated from each other.

Class C. IFR and VFR flights are permitted, all flights are subjected to air traffic control service and are separated from other IFR flight and from VFR flights. VFR flights are separated from IFR flights and receive traffic information in respect of other VFR flights.

Class D. IFR and VFR flights are permitted and all flights are subject to air traffic control service. IFR flights are separated from other IFR flights and receive traffic information in respect of VFR flights, VFR flights receive traffic information in respect of all other flights.

Class E. IFR and VFR flights are permitted IFR flights are subject to air traffic control service and are separated from other IFR flights. All flights receive traffic information as far as practicable.

Class F. IFR and VFR flights are permitted, all participating IFR flights receive an air traffic advisory service and all flights receive flight information service if requested.

Class G. IFR and VFR flights are permitted and receive flight information service if requested.

The airspace over Bhutan is classified as *D in CTR and F outside CTR.

The requirements for the flights within each class of airspace are as shown in the following table.

Class	Type of flight	Separation Provided	Service provided	VMC visibility and distance from cloud minima	Speed limitation	Radio communication requirement	Subject to an ATC clearance
*D	IFR	IFR from IFR	Air Traffic Control Service including traffic information about VFR flights (and traffic avoidance advice on request)	Not applicable	250 KT IAS below 3 050 M (10 000 FT)AMSL	Continues two-way	YES
	VFR	NIL	Traffic information between VFR and IFR flights (and traffic avoidance advice on request)	8 KM at and above 3 050 M (10 000 FT) AMSL 5 KM Below 3 050 M (10 000 FT) AMSL 1 500 M horizontal; 300 M vertical distance from cloud	250 KT IAS below 3 050 M (10 000 FT)AMSL	Continues two-way	YES
F	VFR	Nil	Flight Information Service	8 KM at and above 3 050 M (10 000 FT) AMSL 5 KM Below 3 050 M (10 000 FT) AMSL 1 500 M horizontal; 300 M vertical distance from cloud	250 KT IAS below 3 050 M (10 000 FT)AMSL	YES	YES

* Airspace Class D is proposed for Paro CTR

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