

Letter of Agreement (LoA)

Reims ACC (LFEE)

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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Letter of Agreement (LoA) is to define the coordination procedures to be applied within **Reims ACC** when providing Air Traffic Services (ATS) under IFR or VFR flight rules.

The content of the agreement is approved by the concerned ATC Operations Department and FIR Chiefs and its application is mandatory for all IVAO members providing ATS within an active position concerned by this LoA.

2. GENERAL PROCEDURES

Traffic in sequence at the same flight level shall be handed over with minimum spacing of 10 NM.

Traffic in sequence shall be handed over with minimum spacing of 5 NM.

This separation must be constant (aircrafts restrained to the same speed) or increasing (following traffic is slower than leading traffic).

Coordination of speed control should be granted via entries in radar labels and does neither need approval nor acknowledgement by receiving sector.

Traffic shall be handed over **as soon as practical and, whenever possible, at latest 3000 ft before reaching the cleared flight level**. In case the transfer point is not defined within this LoA, traffics should be transferred at the latest ten (10) miles before the limit of the area of responsibility.

Traffic in sequence shall be handed over properly separated and clear of any conflict. The receiving ATC unit cannot issue a clearance modifying the traffic's route, altitude, or speed (unless by direct coordination between ATC units) until it enters his sector and therefore leaves the area of responsibility from the transferring ATC unit, which remains responsible for separation.

Free Route Airspace in Reims UTA (LFFRAE) is defined from FL195 until FL660.

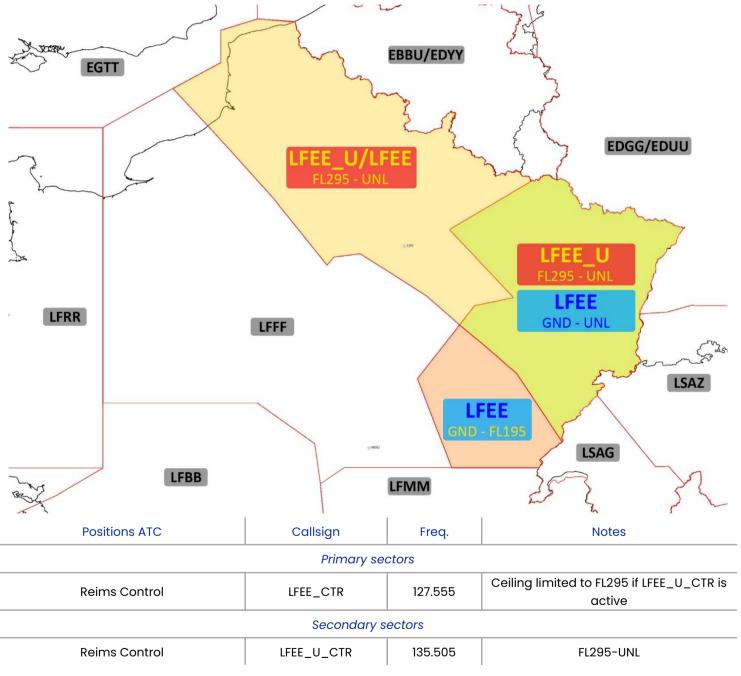
Free Route Airspace (FRA) is a specified airspace within which users may freely plan a route between a defined entry point and a defined exit point, with the possibility of routing via published intermediate significant points, without reference to the ATS route network.

3. ATS UNIT DESCRIPTION

3.1. ACC POSITIONS

The ATC unit in charge of the airspaces under the responsibility of Reims ACC is **Reims Control** and consists in one primary sector : LFEE_CTR. This ATC unit may be split into two different subsectors : LFEE_CTR and LFEE_U_CTR, according the conditions defined by <u>ATC rule 4.3</u>.

The lateral and vertical boundaries of the airspace under the responsibility of the ACC are indicated in the images and tables below.



Whenever an ACC position (CTR) requires a specific sector split, it will be decided on a case-by-case basis by the FIR Chiefs and the ATC Department. An ATC briefing will be provided to the relevant controllers.

Within the French Division, the highest position receives any underlying positions by delegation when these are not active on the network.

The distribution of APP positions in function of ACC positions is done as follows :

ATC Positions	Callsign	Delegated positions
		Bale APP and underlying positions Strasbourg APP and underlying positions Lorraine APP and underlying positions
Reims Control	LFEE_CTR	Etain APP and underlying positions Phalsbourg APP and underlying positions
		Saint-Dizier APP and underlying positions Ochey APP and underlying positions Luxeuil APP and underlying positions
eims Control (Upper)	LFEE_U_CTR	None

As a reminder, ACC positions provide Flight Information Service (FIS) in the airspaces which are delegated to them (including aerodromes with an AFIS position) within the boundary of their skills and actual traffic load. If the controller is not able to provide flight information service, he will indicate so in his ATIS.

Likewise, the delegation of APP positions implies the control of the applicable **TWR and GND position**.

However, an ACC controller can limit the services he provides to **essential clearances** (start-up, taxi, take-off, landing) and transfer traffics on UNICOM **when they're not conflicting** with other traffics.

3.2. TERMINAL POSITIONS

The frequencies of the positions listed below can be found by <u>clicking on this link</u>.

Whenever a terminal position (APP or DEP) requires a specific sector split, it will be decided on a case-by-case basis by the FIR Chiefs and the ATC Department. An ATC briefing will be provided to the relevant controllers.

Whenever an *approach position « A »* is delegated to an **approach position « B »**, it must be assumed that all the airspaces normally under the responsibility of *approach « A »* are delegated to **approach « B »** whenever *approach « A »* is not active.

One or more *specific airspaces* could also be delegated to an **approach position « B »** whenever *approach « A »*, who would normally be responsible, is not active.

Airspaces under the responsibility of approach positions (APP) or airspaces delegated to approach positions (APP) are described in the following table :

ATC Positions	Callsign	AoR	Underlying positions	Airspace delegations		
Bale Sector						
Bale	LFSB_APP	TMA 1-12 CTA 1, 2, 4 SIV 1.1-2.5	LFSB_TWR LFGA_TWR LFGJ_TWR LFSD_FIS_TWR LFLH_FIS_TWR LFQM_FIS_TWR LFSM_FIS_TWR	Langen ACC delegates to Bale APP TMA Bale Déléguée LANGEN N, SE, SWI et SW2 Zurich ACC delegates to Bale APP TMA Bale Déléguée ZURICH AZI-AZ4 CTA 3 Bale is delegated to Zurich ACC (cf. LOA-LSAZ-LFEE) CTA 5-6 Bale are delegated to Geneva ACC (cf. LOA-LSAG-LFEE)		
				Luxeuil APP is delegated to Bale APP		
Luxeuil	LFSX_APP	TMA 1-6	LFSX_TWR	Luxeuil APP is delegated to Bale APP		
Strasbourg Sector						
Strasbourg	LFST_APP	TMA 1-11 CTA 1-3 SIV 1-4 TMA 1.2, 2.2, 3.2 Lorraine	LFST_TWR	Stuttgart APP delegates to Strasbourg APP TMA Strasbourg Déléguée STUTTGART N and S Phalsbourg APP is delegated to Strasbourg APP Lorraine APP is delegated to Strasbourg APP		
Phalsbourg	LFQP_APP	LF R150A-R150D2	LFQP_TWR	Phalsbourg APP is delegated to Strasbourg APP		

			Lorraine Sector	
Lorraine	LFJL_APP	TMA 1.1-5.1 except TMA 1.2, 2.2 et 3.2	LFJL_TWR	Lorraine APP and its delegated airspaces are limited to FL75. Lorraine APP is delegated to Strasbourg APP Etain APP is delegated to Lorraine APP Ochey APP is delegated to Lorraine APP
Ochey	LFSO_APP	TMA 1.1-4	LFSO_TWR LFSN_FIS_TWR LFSG_FIS_TWR	Ochey APP is delegated to Lorraine APP
Etain	LFQE_APP	TMA 1-3	LFQE_TWR	Etain APP is delegated to Lorraine APP
		S	aint-Dizier Sector	
Saint-Dizier	LFSI_APP	TMA 1.1-3	LFSI_TWR	-

3.3. AERODROME POSITIONS

The frequencies of the positions listed below can be found by <u>clicking on this link</u>.

Whenever an aerodrome position (TWR, GND or DEL) requires a specific sector split, it will be decided on a case-by-case basis by the FIR Chiefs and the ATC Department. An ATC briefing will be provided to the relevant controllers.

The ATC units responsible for the airspaces related to aerodromes are described in the following table :

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ATC Position	Callsign	Remarks	
Colmar	LFGA_TWR	-	
Dôle	LFGJ_TWR	-	
	LFJL_GND	Constrole LINED (Master March CLI)	
Lorraine	LFJL_TWR	Controls HMER (Metz Mercy CH)	
Chalon	LFLH_FIS_TWR	-	
Étain	LFQE_GND	Closed to GAT / Administration reserved	
Etain	LFQE_TWR	Controle LUDC (La Doch alla CLI)	
La Vèze	LFQM_FIS_TWR	Controls HLRC (La Rochelle CH)	
	LFQP_GND	Closed to GAT / Administration reserved	
Phalsbourg	LFQP_TWR	Closed to GAT / Administration reserved	
	LFSB_DEL		
Bâle	LFSB_GND	Controls HCOL (Colmar CH)	
	LFSB_TWR		
Dijon	LFSD_FIS_TWR	HDBO (Dijon Bocage CH) et HDOL (Dole)	
Épinal	LFSG_FIS_TWR	-	
Carinet Dinion	LFSI_GND		
Saint Dizier	LFSI_TWR	Closed to GAT / Administration reserved	
Montbéliard	LFSM_FIS_TWR	-	
Nancy	LFSN_FIS_TWR	-	
Ochey	LFSO_TWR	Closed to GAT / Administration reserved	
Strachourg	LFST_GND	Controls HAUT (Strasbourg Hautepierre CH) and	
Strasbourg	LFST_TWR	HSTR (Strasbourg N.H.C.)	
Luxeuil	LFSX_TWR	Closed to GAT / Administration reserved	

4. ATS DELEGATION

No ATS delegation is applicable.

5. COORDINATION PROCEDURES – DEP & ARR

Coordination procedures between the ACC positions of Reims and the underlying approach positions (APP) are defined as follows. They represent a general framework that does not replace the coordination between ATC. Any coordination procedure not mentioned in this LoA must be established on a case-by-case basis.

The coordination between approach positions (APP) and tower positions (TWR) is left at the controllers' initiative.

Some of the transfer scenarios below have been simplified for clarity. Depending on the airspace structure around a position, it could be that a traffic must be transferred to a third-party position which is not listed in the table.

When no direct is defined for departures in the table below, it can be assumed that the controller can give a direct to the first en-route FIX.

5.1. BALE APP & REIMS ACC

Departures

AD	DEP	ALT/FL	DCT	XFER	Notes		
LFSB	TORPA/MOROK	FL190	-	$LFSB_APP \to LFEE_CTR$	-		
Arrivals							
AD	ARR	ALT/FL	DCT	XFER	Notes		
LFSB	ARPUS	FL200	ARPUS	$LFEE_CTR \to LFSB_APP$	-		

5.2. STRASBOURG APP & REIMS ACC

Departures

AD	DEP	ALT/FL	DCT	XFER	Notes				
LFST	BERUG/EPIKO/ GTQ/MIRGU/ POGOL	FL190	-	$LFST_APP \to LFEE_CTR$	-				
LFJL	EPL/MONCE/ PHALO	FL190	-	$LFST_APP \to LFEE_CTR$	MMD departures transferred to LFFF.				
Arrivals	Arrivals								
AD	ARR	ALT/FL	DCT	XFER	Notes				
LECT	LFST GTQ	FL200	23: BERUG 05: IZPIQ						
LF21			23: SAV 05: BAKIX	$LFEE_CTR \to LFST_APP$	-				
LFJL	EPL/MONCE	FL200	22: GTQ 04: JL502	$LFEE_CTR \to LFST_APP$	RWY 04 : If not RNAV, keep on STAR				

5.3. LORRAINE APP & STRASBOURG APP

Departures

AD	DEP	ALT/FL	DCT	XFER	Notes			
	DIK/MAKOT	FL70	-	$LFJL_APP \to LFST_APP$	UNICOM, ELLX or EDGG transfer after coordination with LFST_APP			
LFJL	MMD/MONCE PHALO/EPL	FL70	-	$LFJL_APP \to LFST_APP$	-			
Arrivals	Arrivals							
AD	ARR	ALT/FL	DCT	XFER	Notes			
LFJL	Any	FL80	IAF	$LFST_APP \to LFJL_APP$	22: GTQ / MTZ 04: MONCE / MTZ / JL503			

6. CONTRIBUTIONS

This document has been drafted in coordination between the French ATC Operations Department and Reims FIR staff.

7. CHANGELOG

Version	Date	Changes
7.0	26/12/2024	 New format Update of airspace structure (CTA Bale & Strasbourg, TMA) Global revision of transfer conditions between APP and ACC (§5)