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Update of Horizontal Radar Separation Minima

Following the recent changes in airspace structure of Approach sectors in France (integration of CTA on top of TMA, ceiling raise, ...), and in agreement with Training Department, an update to the horizontal radar separation minima applicable in France Division is deemed necessary.

ATC Rule n°3 is updated as such:

Taking into account ATC software performance (Aurora/Altitude) and with the aim of harmonizing the possibilities of all approach sectors, the lateral separation minima under radar control within France division are:

- 3 NM within all controlled airspaces within the Area of Responsibility of a TWR or APP position as defined in Internal LoA and MANEX.
- 5 NM outside of these airspaces.

Those minima apply regardless of the controlled ATC position level.

Principle and value of those minima remains the same as before. However, this definition update allows a wider definition of airspace with "reduced" lateral separation, including CTA or other specific airspace types. Moreover, it emphasizes the fact that the delegation of airspace from a lower position to a higher position implies as well the delegation of the horizontal separation minima.

That way, an ACC controller having an offline underlying APP position under its responsibility can use a 3NM horizontal radar separation minimum within the approach sector airspaces and 5NM anywhere else in its own area of responsibility.

Ce NOTAM s'applique à tous les membres ayant les privilèges de connexion sur une position ATC de la Division France

This NOTAM applies to all members having connection privileges on ATC positions of the French Division

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