

ENR 1.2 VISUAL FLIGHT RULES

1. Except when operating as a special VFR flight, VFR flights shall be conducted so that the aircraft is flown in conditions of visibility and distance from clouds equal to or greater than those specified below.
2. VFR flights shall not take off or land at an aerodrome within a control zone, or enter the aerodrome traffic zone or traffic pattern:
  - a) when the ceiling is less than 1500 ft; or
  - b) when the ground visibility is less than 5 km.
3. VFR flights between sunset and sunrise, or such other period between sunset and sunrise as may be prescribed by the operation division of the CAA, shall be operated in accordance with the conditions prescribed by such authority.
4. Unless authorized by the operations division of the CAA, VFR flights shall not be operated:
  - a) above 20000 FT (FL 200)
  - b) at transonic and supersonic speeds.
5. Except when necessary for take-off or landing, or except by permission from the standards division of the CAA, a VFR flight shall not be flown.
  - a) over the congested areas of cities, towns or settlements or over an open-air assembly of persons at a height less than 1000 ft above the highest obstacle within a radius of 600 M from the aircraft;
  - b) Elsewhere than as specified in 5 a), at a height less than 500 ft above the ground or water.
6. *Weather deterioration below the VMC.* When it becomes evident that flight in VMC in accordance with its current flight plan will not be practicable, a VFR flight operated as a controlled flight shall:
  - a) request an amended clearance enabling the aircraft to continue in VMC to destination or to an alternative aerodrome, or to leave the airspace within which an ATC clearance is required; or
  - b) if no clearance in accordance with a) can be obtained, continue to operate in VMC and notify the appropriate ATC unit of the action being taken either to leave the airspace concerned or to land at the nearest suitable aerodrome; or
  - c) request authorization to operate as a special VFR flight; or
  - d) request clearance to operate in accordance with the instrument flight rules.
7. An aircraft operated in accordance with the visual flight rules, which wishes to change to compliance with the instrument flight rules, shall communicate with the Air Traffic Services Unit the necessary changes to be effected to its current flight plan and obtain ATC clearance.