
**Request to re-designate danger area NZD329,
Linton Camp, as a military operating area**
Airspace user consultation

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Introduction

NZD329 is designated to warn pilots of the potential hazard from the use of weather balloons, explosives and remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS) at the NZ Army military base Linton Camp, south-east of Palmerston North.

Restructuring of army facilities has led to a growth in personnel based at Linton Camp. Because of this growth, there has been a subsequent increase in military training activities within the existing danger area, including live arms firing and helicopter operations.

Following a review of the operations within the existing airspace, the NZ Army has requested that the danger area is disestablished, and a military operating area (MOA) designated instead.

Proposed amendment

The review also included the range safety requirements of the ammunition danger areas, and the existing lateral boundaries require a small extension to contain firing activities.

The upper limit of the proposed MOA would be the same as NZD329 – 1200 ft AMSL.

The proposed MOA is shown by a green line in the diagram in Figure 1.

Possible effect to IFR aircraft

There would be no effect to IFR aircraft as the proposed MOA would be outside controlled airspace, and therefore clear of IFR flight paths and procedures.

Possible effect to VFR aircraft

The effect on VFR aircraft should be minimal. The existing Palmerston North VFR departures and arrival procedures would enable pilots to track clear of the proposed MOA.

The main change for pilots is that aircraft would now be required to remain clear of the airspace unless authorisation has been received from administering authority to operate with the proposed MOA.

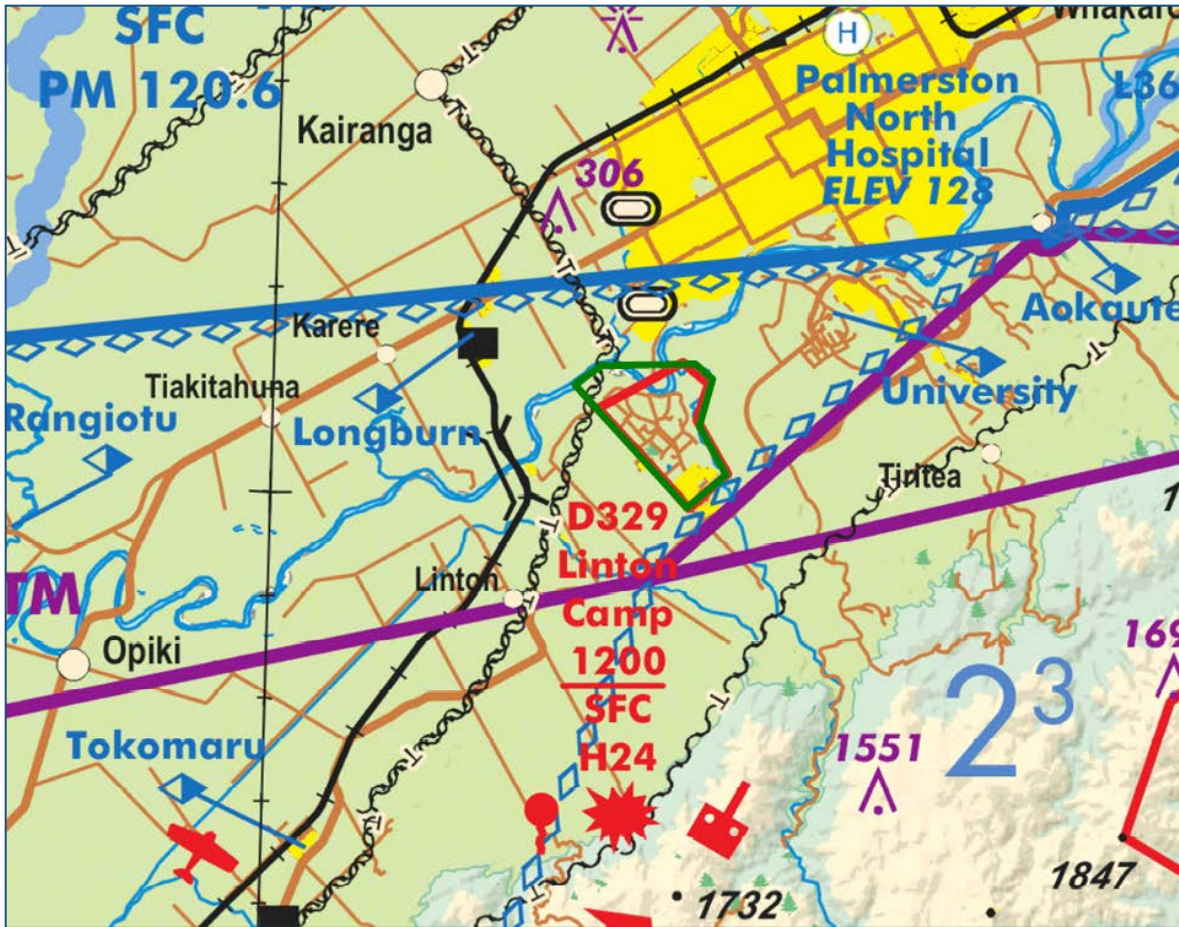


Figure 1 – Proposed Linton Camp MOA

Consultation

Prior to designating airspace, Civil Aviation Rule 71.9 requires the Director to consult with affected persons, organisations and representative groups within the aviation industry before making a designation or classification of airspace.

The Director invites feedback in regard to the proposed airspace change.

At this stage it is not intended that CAA will hold an airspace consultation meeting unless this is specifically requested by users.

This document will be sent directly to the organisations listed below. It would be appreciated if you would kindly forward the document to your members for consideration and comment.

Aerodrome operators (charted aerodromes only)

- Dannevirke aerodrome – Tararua District Council
- Feilding aerodrome – Feilding Aerodrome (Inc)
- Foxpine aerodrome – Foxpine Airpark Ltd

- Ohakea aerodrome – RNZAF Base Ohakea
- Otaki aerodrome – Otaki Airstrip Limited
- Palmerston North aerodrome – Palmerston North Airport Ltd
- Paraparaumu aerodrome – Kapiti Coast Airport Holdings Ltd

Operators, Organisations and User Groups

- Air New Zealand Group – includes Mount Cook, Air Nelson, Eagle Airways
- Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- Airways Corporation of New Zealand
- Aviation Federation New Zealand
- Balloon Aviation Association
- Flying New Zealand
- Gliding New Zealand
- Manawatu Airspace User Group
- Massey School of Aviation
- Model Flying New Zealand
- New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association
- New Zealand Airline Pilots Association
- New Zealand Aviation Federation
- New Zealand Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association
- New Zealand Helicopter Association
- New Zealand International Commercial Pilot Academy
- New Zealand Parachute Federation
- New Zealand Parachute Industry Association
- Recreational Aircraft Association of New Zealand
- Royal New Zealand Air Force
- Sport Aircraft Association New Zealand

- Sport Aviation Corp

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Submissions

This document forms part of the consultation process. Submissions are sought from any interested person, organisation or representative group.

Submissions are accepted either electronically or via mail.

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Reference – Proposal to change NZD329 to a MOA

Closing date for submissions to these proposals is **Thursday 12 April 2018**

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