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AIB Dissemination. Paper Product Draw Down. AIS-AF Hazard Log Review. Temporary Obstacle Notification. AVDAFIF Note. Vertical Vector Obstruction Data (VVOD) Extension. AI NOTAM Requirements. International Products. FIHA AD2 Supplements. AIS-AF Tasking

1. AIB Dissemination

1.1 The AIB may at times contain information that is **critical to flight safety**. Unit PUBSOs are required to disseminate the AIB as widely as possible to relevant staff at their unit particularly aircrew, safety/standards teams, and unit execs.

2. Paper Product Draw Down

2.1 AIS-AF have begun advising users of the withdrawal of select publications from routine hard-copy circulation throughout 2023, shifting towards a digital centric distribution model.

2.2 Users with an account that routinely receives hardcopy versions of ERSA have been advised of its withdrawal from paper distribution. ERSA will continue to be made available from electronic means.

2.3 **WEF 07 Sep 23 (2309 Cycle) AIS-AF will also no longer distribute hard copies of FIHA and GPA. These products will be made exclusively available on DPN, the AIS-AF web-portal, and distributed through EFB Data Service Providers.**

2.4 This decision has been made to assist in redistributing internal resources for other priorities including AusDAFIF expansion. This will also meet CAF's intent to be a climate conscious organisation.

2.5 AIS-AF will continue to maintain a print capability for contingency purposes. Users that require access to paper publications will be assisted where possible through looking at alternative solutions.

3. AIS-AF Hazard Log Review

3.1 The AIS-AF Hazard Log has recently been reviewed and a revised document published. Capability Managers, Safety and Standards teams, and users are encouraged to review the Hazard Log in order to understand on going risks associated with AIS-AF products and services

3.2 The Hazard Log can be found on the front page of the AIS-AF DPN website [Pages - Welcome \(defence.gov.au\)](https://pages.defence.gov.au)

4. Temporary Obstacle Notification

4.1 AIS-AF have noted a significant increase in temporary obstacle NOTAMs at military bases with the vast majority of these occurring off base.

4.2 AIS-AF would like to remind Aerodrome Operators of the requirement to ensure that all temporary obstacles are assessed IAW relevant Aerodrome Manuals and where breaches of the OLS are observed, a PANS-OPS Obstacle Assessment request is sent through to ais.af@defence.gov.au

4.3 For further information, please contact the AIS-AF ALO

5. AVDAFIF Note

5.1 After a review of the AIS-AF Hazard Log, a note has been added to the AIS-AF web-portal identifying a potential limitation in AVDAFIF. Users of this database are encouraged to review this limitation prior to using the product. There is nil impact to AusDAFIF or other databases because of this issue.

6. Vertical Vector Obstruction Data (VVOD) Extension

6.1 AIS-AF have been notified that the US DoD NGA VVOD database has been extended with support continuing until 31 Dec 24. Users that require continued access to obstacle databases after this time will need to source alternative products. NGA advise that the Table Formatted Aeronautical Data Set - Obstacles (TFADS-O) contains the same essential data as VVOD in a significantly smaller file size with improved processing and download times.

7. AI NOTAM Requirements

7.1 The ADF EFB team have compiled an easy reference guide on how to source various NOTAM/Alert services for the wide variety of products used by operators (host nation and 3rd party).

7.2 AIS-AF encourage all operators to read this document to assist in preventing safety incidents using out of date or incorrect data/procedures.

7.3 A copy of this document can be found on an approved ADF EFB, however if operators are unable to access it, please contact the AIS-AF ALO.

8. International Products

8.1 Butterworth International Terminal Procedures (WMKB ITP)

8.2 WMKB ITP dated 20 Apr 23 remains valid WEF 10 Aug 23 (2308 cycle).

8.3 The Butterworth IFG (produced by the RMAF) is reviewed each calendar month, with updates to the ITP normally promulgated outside the AIRAC cycle. Due to differences in cyclical production with EFB Data Service Providers and Aircraft Nav databases, **AIS-AF strongly recommends all users check the AIS-AF web-portal to determine if there is an updated product and refer to AUS HO NOTAMs for critical amendment advice.**

8.4 **Papua New Guinea MSA/VSA Chart** dated WEF 24 Mar 22 remains valid

9. FIHA AD2 Supplements

9.1 FIHA AD2 Supplements are Current WEF:

a.	YAMB: 01 Dec 22	Amdt 01-23
b.	YCIN: 15 Jun 23	
c.	YPDN: 15 Jun 23	
d.	YMES: 15 Jun 23	Amdt 01-23
e.	YPED: 01 Dec 22	
f.	YSNW: 15 Jun 23	
g.	YBOK: 01 Dec 22	Amdt 01-23, 02-23, 03-23, 04-23
h.	YPEA: 15 Jun 23	Amdt 01-23
i.	YSRI: 13 Jul 23	
j.	YBSG: 15 Jun 23	
k.	YPTN: 15 Jun 23	Amdt 01-23
l.	YBTL: 09 Sep 21	
m.	YWLM: 01 Dec 22	
n.	YPWR: 12 Aug 21	

9.2 The next FIHA AD2 SUPP cycle is 07 Sep 23 (AIRAC 2309 cycle) **with cut-off occurring one week earlier (unless agreement between AD2 SUP content owner and AIS-AF)**. Users should ensure their particular EFB Application provider has loaded the current FIHA AD2 Supplements. It remains the user's responsibility to ensure they are using current versions and to be aware of any amendments. Current FIHA AD2 Supplements and any Next/Amendments may be viewed at any time on the AIS-AF web-portal.

10. AIS-AF Tasking

10.1 AIS-AF publish a list of active and recently completed tasking for user awareness. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the AIS-AF Air Liaison Officer

10.2 Recently completed tasking as at 10 Aug 23

- a. Talisman Sabre Charting Requirements
- b. Airspace Maps YPLM, YBSG, YCIN

- c. YCIN Updated Procedures
- d. YPTN Updated Procedures
- e. INS Rajali Level 1 and Level 2 ITP
- f. 15 x Obstacle Assessments
- g. 11 x Minor Tasks (ERSA amendments, FIHA Notes, Product Requests)

10.3 Current tasking (not in priority order):

- a. YMES Airspace – New Instrument Procedures Request – Design work completed, awaiting flight validation
- b. RNAV Procedure Renaming
- c. YSNW New FTACAN AIP Updates
- d. Exercise Wallaby Support
- e. YWLM TMP – Procedure review and new mil SID
- f. YPDN SIDs and STARs amendment
- g. YAMB TACAN and ARA Missed Approach Amendments
- h. International ARA design
- i. Generation of YPLM, YBSG, YCIN SIDs
- j. Amendment to YPLM Procedures due Airspace Changes
- k. 12 x Obstacle Assessment Requests

11. For further information, please contact:

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12. Cancellation

- 12.1 This AIB remains effective until superseded by the next edition.

13. Distribution

- 13.1 Widest possible dissemination amongst AI users.