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# SOFIA-Briefing, a smart tool for your flight planning

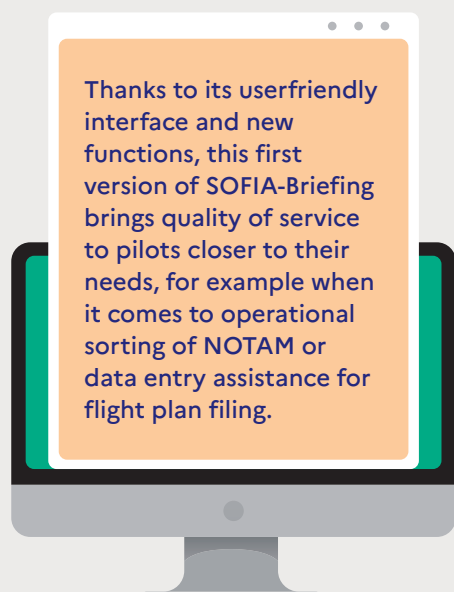
Digitalisation is at the heart of the modernisation of Air Navigation Services in Europe. In order to provide reliable, appropriate, instantaneous aeronautical data in easy to use formats, the DSN A has developed an ambitious programme to digitalise aeronautical data. In this regard, a new tool called SOFIA-Briefing is deploying to replace the obsolete OLIVIA and NOTAM Web tools. SOFIA-Briefing offers advanced, integrated flight planning and filing services. For even safer flights!



As part of the programme to modernise the Aeronautical Information Management, the DSNA has developed SOFIA which brings together a number of advanced services for the users of aeronautical data. This highly performant tool and these services better respond to the needs of the multiple users by offering an interactive and dynamic presentation of data in real time. In this innovative environment, SOFIA-Briefing is the first tool of this new generation of services to be deployed in mainland France and its overseas territories. It is compliant with the new, integrated briefing standards from Europe and the ICAO.

SOFIA-Briefing has been designed to be available free of charge on a range of devices (PCs, tablets, smartphones). Following a survey carried out by the French AIS on airspace users, SOFIA-Briefing offers improved services with regard to:

- flight planning: consulting NOTAM and SNOWTAM, accessing links to AIP SUP and charts issued by the AIS on the activation of very low altitude areas within the military network, accessing links to "Météo France"
- VFR or IFR flight planning and filing



## A new generation of flight planning

Temporary aeronautical information notifies airspace users of the state of the radio navigation aids, infrastructures, airspace and services. This participates in flight safety. However, this information is very dense and complex to manage, meaning some important pieces of information are not highlighted enough.

The operational sorting of NOTAM in SOFIA-Briefing makes consultation of NOTAM easier for users, including aeronautical data providers. As for helicopter pilots, they have a tool better suited to their needs.

### Arrival aerodrome : LFLC CLERMONT FERRAND AUVERGNE

Aerodromes and services

**LFFA-B3473/20**  
FROM: 2020 09 01 05:30 TO: PERM  
A) LFLC  
Q) LFMM / QFAH / IV / NBO / A / 000/999 / 4547N00310E005  
E) RFFS HOURS OF OPS AND LEVELS :  
LEVEL 7: MON-SUN 0530-2130  
LEVEL 5: MON-SUN 2130-0530  
(SUM - 1HR)  
REF: AD 2 LFLC.6 AD 2 LFLC TXT 04

### Manoeuvring area

**LFFA-B3475/20**  
FROM: 2020 09 10 00:00 TO: PERM  
A) LFLC  
Q) LFMM / QMDCH / IV / NBO / A / 000/999 / 4547N00310E005  
E) DECLARED DISTANCES MODIFIED :  
ASDA RWY 28: READ 940 (INSTEAD OF 705)  
TWY 02 : READ "THOF RWY 26" (INSTEAD OF "THOF RWY 08")  
REF: AD 2 LFLC.13

### Apron

**LFFA-B4308/20**  
FROM: 2020 10 19 07:49 TO: PERM  
A) LFLC  
Q) LFMM / QMKLC / IV / NBO / A / 000/999 / 4547N00310E005  
E) PARKING MIKE DEFINITELY CLOSED.  
REF: AD2 LFLC.ADC 01  
AD2 LFLC ATT 01

### Lighting facilities

NIL

### EN-ROUTE

#### Airspace organisation and air traffic procedures

LFEF REIMS FIR - LFRB BORDEAUX FIR - LFFF PARIS FIR - LFRR BREST FIR - LFMM MARSEILLE FIR

**LFFA-F0018/21**  
FROM: 02 16 2021 14:49 TO: 12 31 2021 23:59  
A) LFEF LFRB LFFF LFRR LFMM  
Q) LFRB / QAFKX / IV / NBO / E / 000/999 / 4412N0040E480  
E) TO ENSURE SAFE AND EXPEDITIOUS DELIVERY OF COVID-19 VACCINES, AIRCRAFT OPERATORS OF FLIGHTS CARRYING SUCH VACCINES SHOULD ASK APPROVAL FROM DGAC FOR EXEMPTION FROM ATFM MEASURES FOR EACH FLIGHT DEEMED CRITICAL ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURE DESCRIBED IN THE FRENCH AIP 1.3.3.3.1. UPON APPROVAL, STS(ATFM) AND RHM/VACCINE SHALL BE INSERTED IN ITEM 18 OF THE FLIGHT PLAN. AIRCRAFT OPERATORS CARRYING COVID 19 VACCINES REGULARLY MAY REQUEST APPROVAL IN ADVANCE FOR ALL FLIGHTS INVOLVED.

#### LFMM MARSEILLE FIR

**LFFA-F0203/19**  
FROM: 02 09 2019 14:52 TO: PERM  
A) LFMM  
Q) LFMM / QAFKX / IV / NBO / E / 000/155 / 4412N0040E260  
E) NIGHT VFR FLIGHTS BOUND TO LFMM/FIR CARRIED OUT BTN 2000/0330 (SUM) OR 2100/0430 (WIN) - FLIGHT PLANS AND RELATED MESSAGES MUST BE SENT WITH PRIORITY INDICATOR "50" TO FOLLOW AFTN ADDRESSES: LFMMZRXZ AND LFMMZPZX REF AIP ENR 1.11

#### LFLX CHATEAUROUX DEOLS

**LFFA-C0020/21**  
FROM: 02 16 2021 14:39 TO: PERM  
A) LFLX  
Q) LFRB / QACAH / IV / NBO / AE / 000/025 / 4651N00144E012  
E) LFLX AD2.5, ATS HOURS : READ : TWR : MON-FRI 0630-1100 1230-1730 APIS : MON-FRI 1100-1230 1730-1900 LFLX AD2.17, OBSERVATIONS LIRE : TWR : LUN-VEN 0630-1100 1230-1730 LFLX AD2.18 LIRE : TWR : MON-FRI 0630-1100 1230-1730 APIS : MON-FRI 1100-1230 1730-1900 AD2 LFLX TXT 02, 2,ATS LIRE : TWR : MON-FRI 0630-1100 1230-1730 APIS : MON-FRI 1100-1230 1730-1900

#### LFEF REIMS FIR - LFFF PARIS FIR - LFMM MARSEILLE FIR - LFRR BREST FIR

**LFFA-F0080/20**  
FROM: 02 27 2020 00:00 TO: PERM  
A) LFEF LFFF LFMM LFRR  
Q) LFRB / QPLCH / IV / M / E / 000/999 / 4412N0040E099  
E) ALL FLIGHT PLANS AND ASSOCIATED MESSAGES SENT TO LE BOURGET AND AJACCIO BRIA (REGIONAL AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION SERVICE) MUST BE ADDRESSED TO LFNZPZX (INSTEAD OF LFPBZPX FOR LE BOURGET BRIA AND LFKJZPX FOR AJACCIO BRIA). THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SINGLE ADDRESS DOES NOT AFFECT THE SENDING OF FLIGHT PLAN AND ASSOCIATED MESSAGES TO THE ADDITIONAL ADDRESSES MENTIONED IN FRENCH AIP PART ENR 1.11.11.

The NOTAM sorting and classification functions were developed with operational needs in mind. The French AIS, the DTI (Technical and Innovation Directorate), the DSAC (National Supervisory Authority) and airspace users worked together to create these functions to improve flight safety. The operational needs are organised in function of the route according to the following criteria:

1

Relevance

2

Accessibility

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Environment

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Information  
"nice to have"

Following this, NOTAM sorting is made according to subject (for example: facilities and services, airspace organisation and air traffic procedures) and operational significance as laid out in the ICAO standards.



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## Simplified flight plan filing

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Help and control tools in the interface guide the user to facilitate flight plan filing and avoid their rejection by the system. For example, some fields are pre-filled: Type of aircraft, flight plan history... This service simply requires the creation of a free account.

**So, pilots, hesitate no longer, use SOFIA-Briefing to file your VFR or IFR flight plan!**

Downloadable flight plan in PDF format



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## An evolutive tool

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Upgraded on a yearly basis, SOFIA-Briefing will consistently integrate new functionalities for flight safety.

The new functions will be developed taking into account users' feedback.



To all civil and military air traffic units, light aircraft, business, Air Force and aerial work pilots, aeronautical data providers and flight management operators: **SOFIA-Briefing is your fresh start when filing your flight plan both in mainland France and its overseas territories.**



## JUNE

### MAY 2021

- Publication of the Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) concerning SOFIA-Briefing
- A notification will appear on the home page of the French AIS website as well as the OLIVIA and NOTAM web tools to indicate exactly when (date and time) and how (eventual instructions) SOFIA-Briefing will be operational.

- User guide available on SOFIA-Briefing
- Once SOFIA-Briefing is launched, the OLIVIA (flight planning and filing, accessing aeronautical data) and NOTAM web tools (consultation of NOTAM and SNOWTAM) will no longer be accessible.
- To connect to SOFIA-Briefing, simply access the AIS website using your OLIVIA ID and password. Scheduled in-service as of June.



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