

IDENTIFICATION AND INTERCEPTION OF AIRCRAFT

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Visual interception signals

Signal by intercepting aircraft	Meaning	Response by intercepted aircraft
Day		
(a) Rocking wings while in front and to left of intercepted aircraft	First series Follow me away from a prohibited area	Rocking wings
(b) Rocking wings while in front and to right of intercepted aircraft	Follow me to a landing terrain	Rocking wings
(c) When (a) and (b) have been acknowledged, making a slow level turn into desired course		Follow intercepting aircraft
Night		
(a) As for day, and in addition flash-ing navigation and, if available, landing lights at irregular intervals	Follow me away from a prohibited or restricted area	Rocking wings if considered safe and showing steady landing light if carried
(b) As for day, and in addition flash-ing navigation and, if available, landing lights at irregular intervals	Follow me to a landing terrain	Rocking wings if considered safe and showing steady landing light if carried
(c) As for day, and in addition flash-ing navigation and, if available, landing lights at irregular intervals when (a) and (b) have been acknowledged	—	Follow intercepting aircraft

Weather conditions or the terrain may require the intercepting aircraft to take up a position in front and to the right of the intercepted aircraft to complete the successive turn to the right.

Signal by intercepting aircraft	Meaning	Response by intercepted aircraft
Day or night		
An abrupt break away of 90° or more without crossing the line of flight of the intercepted aircraft	Second series You may proceed	Rocking wings if considered safe, at night showing steady landing light if carried
Day Circling landing area, lowering land-ing gear and overflying the direction of landing	Third series Land on this landing area	Same as interceptor and proceed to land (where applicable) if considered safe, at night showing steady landing light if carried
Night As for day and showing steady landing light	—	—
Day First or Second series dependent on what further action intercepting aircraft requires to be taken either: (a) "Follow me"; or (b) "You may proceed"	Fourth series Landing terrain unsuitable	Rocking wings (if fixed landing gear) or raising gear (whichever applicable) while passing over landing terrain at a height exceeding 1 000 feet but not exceeding 2 000 feet

The visual signals must be used as follows:

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When an aircraft has been intercepted for identification only, the intercepting aircraft will use the second series to show that the aircraft may proceed;

2. when an aircraft is to be led away from a prohibited or restricted area the appropriate part of the first series will be used and the second series when the purpose has been achieved and the aircraft is released;
3. when an aircraft is required to land, the appropriate part of the first series will initially be used, followed by the third series when in the vicinity of the designated landing area;
4. when the pilot of the intercepted aircraft considers the landing area designated as unsuitable for his or her aircraft type, he or she will use the fourth series to indicate this and new instructions will then be given by the intercepting aircraft;
5. when an intercepted aircraft is in distress the distress signals should be used, where practical.