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SYDNEY HARBOUR AUSTRALIA DAY 2026 AIRSPACE RESTRICTIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The NSW Government is sponsoring a number of activities in the airspace above Sydney Harbour to mark Australia Day from 25 to 26 January 2026.
- 1.2 Planned events will affect operations in the Sydney Control Zone, adjacent Sydney Control Areas, R405AB, and uncontrolled (Class G) airspace in the vicinity of Sydney Harbour.

2. ACTIVITIES

- 2.1 In local time, the planned aviation activities over Sydney Harbour on 25 January include:
 - 1929: Australian Army Red Beret parachute team display over Sydney Opera House for landing at Sydney Cove.
- 2.2 In local time, the planned aviation activities around Sydney and the Harbour on 26 January include:
 - 1135-1220: RAN MH-60R Seahawk enter R405 and then with underslung Australian National Flag flypast along Northern beaches;
 - 1202-1219: RAAF display over Sydney Harbour;
 - 1227-1330: RAN MH-60R Seahawk with underslung Australian National Flag flypast through Sydney Harbour, and over northern, eastern and southern beaches;
 - 1929: Australian Army Red Beret parachute team display over Sydney Opera House for landing at Sydney Cove.

3. AIRSPACE MANAGEMENT - TEMPORARY RESTRICTED AREA ESTABLISHED

- 3.1 To ensure public safety, the RAAF display will be segregated from other aviation activity through activation of a Temporary Restricted Area (TRA).
- 3.2 R405A and R405B will be deactivated due to TRA 'SYRUP' encompassing much of their volume.
- 3.3 TRA 'SYRUP' will encompass most of R405A, R405B and the area between Rose Bay and the Gladesville Bridge. It will not restrict access to the Victor 1 VFR coastal route.
- 3.4 The specifications of TRA 'SYRUP' are as follows:

YMMM/TRA SYRUP

CONDITIONAL STATUS: RA3

MILITARY FLYING

LATERAL LIMITS: 335334S 1510852E then along the clockwise arc of a circle radius 4.00NM centre 335125S 1511256E – 334930S 1511708E – 335244S 1511656E – 335326S 1511705E – 335334S 1510852E

VERTICAL LIMITS: SFC – FL150

HOURS OF ACTIVITY: NOTAM

CONTROLLING AUTHORITY: Airservices Australia/SY TCU

TELEPHONE: (02) 4077 9562 (operational matters only)

CTAF: 120.8MHz will be monitored by POLAIR during the activation of TRA 'SYRUP'.

- 3.5 The following figure represents TRA 'SYRUP':

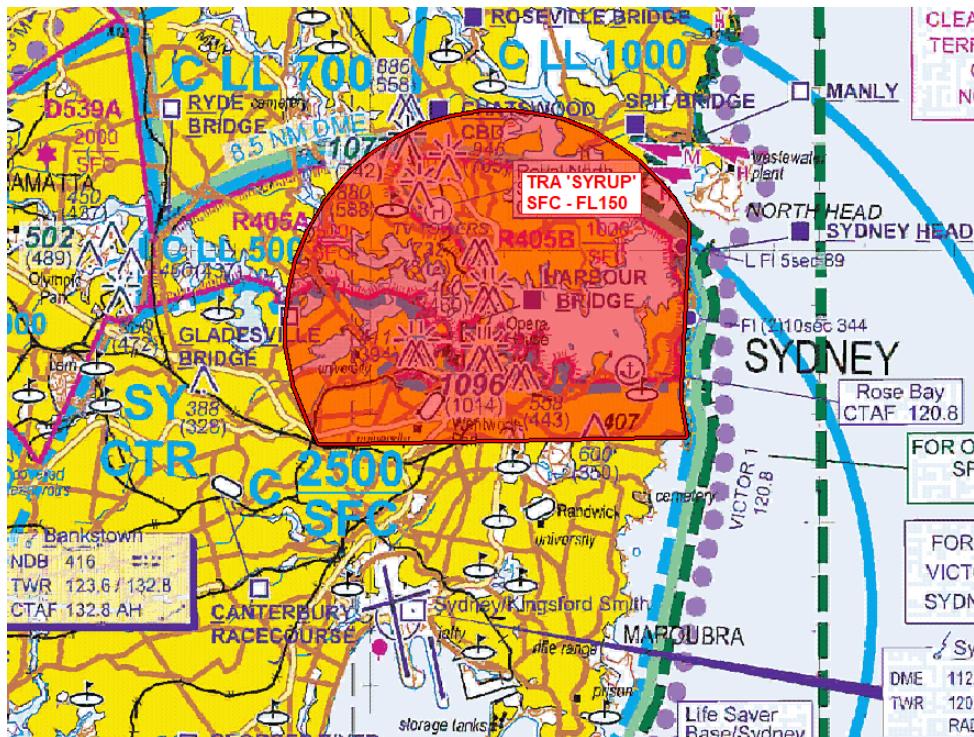


Figure 1: TRA 'SYRUP'

- 3.6 TRA 'SYRUP' is planned to be active between 1200 Local and 1220 Local to provide for the RAAF Display. There will be no airspace restrictions for the other aviation activities referred to in *para 2.1 - 2.2*.
- 3.7 Outside the period which TRA 'SYRUP' is active, aviation activities referred to in *para 2.1 and 2.2* are approved for operations within R405AB.
- 3.8 Only aircraft pre-approved by the controlling authority will be permitted to enter TRA 'SYRUP' during the period of activation.
- 3.9 Special arrangements may be in place for military, media, and police helicopters.

- 3.10 Aircraft with a declared emergency or conducting operations in support of the preservation of life and property (MEDEVAC, POL, SAR, FFR) shall be afforded priority access to the TRA.
- 3.11 TRA 'SYRUP' will be deactivated by the controlling authority at the completion of the RAAF aerial display. Pilots should contact SY DEP to obtain airspace status if transit is required prior to NOTAM expiration.

4. SYDNEY DELAYS

- 4.1 Due to the close proximity of the airborne display events to Sydney/Kingsford Smith Airport (YSSY), and a conflict with the extended centrelines of runways 16L/R and 34L/R, aircraft may experience delays while TRA 'SYRUP' is active and during the parachute display in accordance with *A/P ENR 1.4 paragraph 6.1h*. However, due to the short duration of the TRA, no additional holding fuel is required.

5. CANCELLATION

- 5.1 This SUP self-cancels at 202501261400 UTC.

6. DISTRIBUTION

- 6.1 Airservices Australia website only.