

Dear Pilots,

For your operational reference, please find attached below a satellite image showing the Compton Abbas Circuit pattern.

Also included are Compton-specific Overhead Join pictorials.

We kindly ask all recipients study these reference documents, to ensure the circuit and rejoin procedures are being executed correctly. Key points for your awareness include:

- Please adhere to the noise abatement departure legs, and ensure that **your arrival for Rwy 08 avoids directly overflying the local villages** (Compton Abbas & East Compton, below the turn from base leg to final).
- When arriving for Rwy 08, avoid getting too low (due to local wind conditions), or using excessive power settings on final approach.
- The crosswind leg is flown **at 90 degrees to the upwind end of the Runway**.
- The noise abatement departure legs form part of the take-off profile and does **not** modify the published structure of the "Standard Overhead Join".
- The Standard Overhead Join is the preferred joining procedure, with exception to Warbird & Aerobatic operating days where an amended "early downwind join" procedure is in place. These amended join procedures will be NOTAM'd accordingly, and are available to view on www.comptonairfield.com/amended-joining-procedures/

Thank you for everyone's assistance in complying with the above.

The Compton Abbas Airfield Operations Team

EGHA

Compton Abbas Airfield
08 LH / 26 RH

STANDARD OVERHEAD JOIN
2800ft QNH

MELBURY HILL

CROSSWIND 1800ft QNH

Compton Abbas
Airfield

East Compton

Compton Abbas

26
DEP

For orientation purposes only
NOT TO SCALE

EGHA Overhead Join

(adapted from CAA Standard Overhead Join procedure)

Extended centreline

CROSSWIND LEG
Watch for existing circuit traffic and adjust your path to sequence safely.

Upwind threshold

Call downwind

DOWNWIND LEG

Maintain 1000ft above circuit height and observe windsock and traffic. Keep aerodrome suitable distance on the left of the aircraft.

Correct circuit procedures assist you to see and be seen, thus reducing the risk of collision. An overhead join will always be preferable, especially if the aerodrome is unfamiliar.

First radio call should be made 5-10 miles from the aerodrome and joining checks completed.

Watch for aircraft taking off, as they could pose a hazard.

1800ft QNH

Continue Descent

Position to cross within the upwind threshold at circuit height

Continue Descent

Dead Side

Live Side

Into-wind runway

Upwind threshold

2800ft QNH

1800ft QNH

2800ft QNH

1300ft QNH

1400ft QNH

Extended centreline

FINAL

Make appropriate calls on base leg and final as required.

Begin letdown on dead side.

If unable to ascertain runway in use continue circling overhead.

When circuit direction is ascertained call "Overhead, runway in use."

(All turns must then be in the circuit direction.)

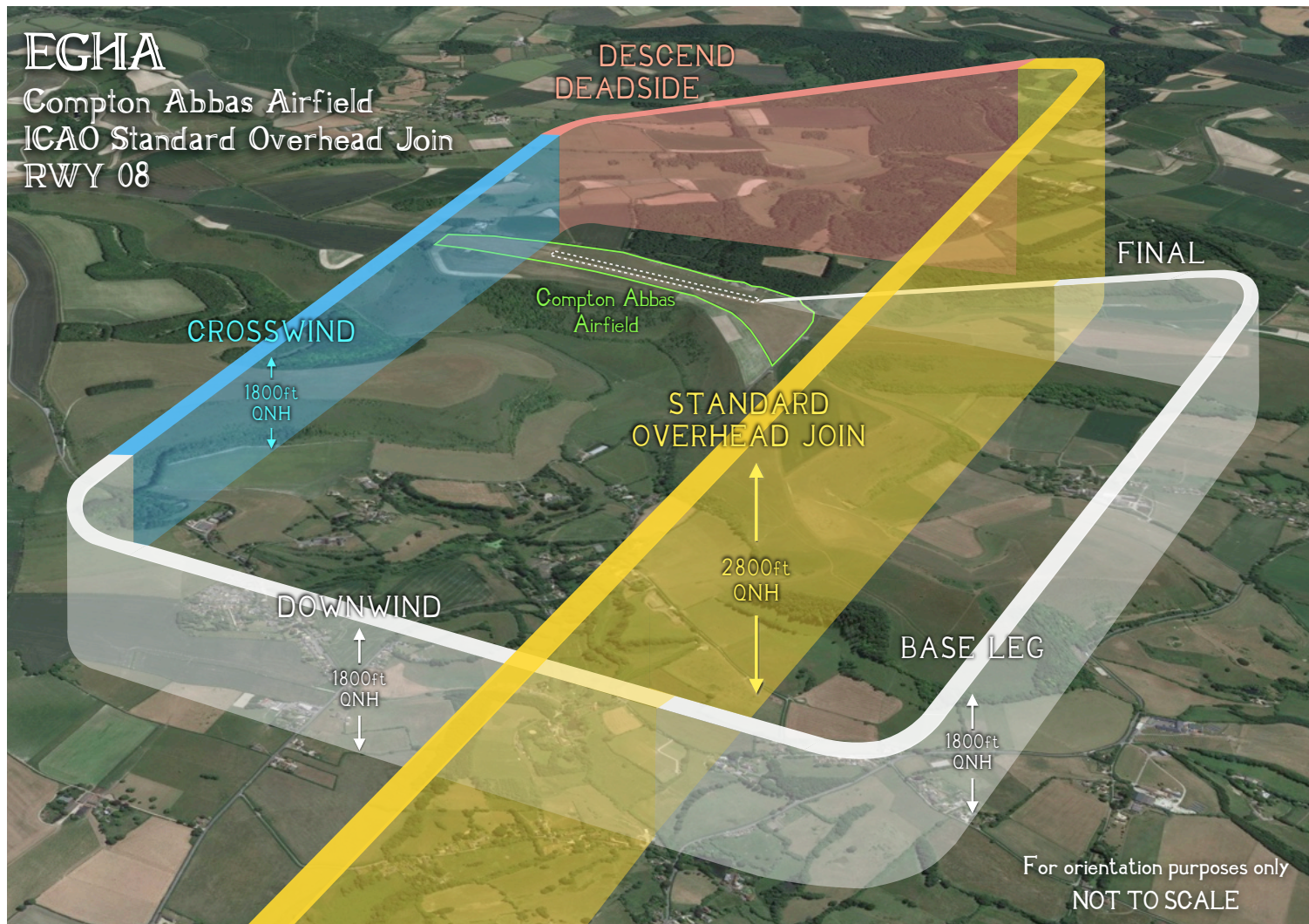
Start Descent

JOINING PHASES
Joining
Circuit letdown
Circuit
Departure

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