

GEOPORTAIL USER GUIDE

UAS GEOGRAPHICAL ZONES

Introduction

In the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the UAS ("Drone") geographical zones are represented **dynamically** with the support of the geoportail tool.

Géoportail can be accessed via <u>http://map.geoportail.lu</u>. It is the official national Geoportal of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, a government platform which aims to collect, describe and serve the country's official geodata.

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How do I find the "UAS geographical zones" in the geoportail?

The UAS geographical areas in the Grand Duchy are available in 2 "layers" of information:

- a first layer represents the zones between the ground and 50m height,
- a second layer represents the zones between **50 and 120m** height.

The following page appears via <u>http://map.geoportail.lu</u> :





In the catalog section, select "UAS GEOGRAPHIC ZONES".

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DONNÉES DE BASE 🧹 🗸	GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION 🔶
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INFRASTRUCTURE ET COMMUNICATION 🧼	INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNICATION
COUVERTURE DU SOL 🧹	LAND SURFACE 🔶
ENVIRONNEMENT, BIOLOGIE ET GÉOLOGIE 🧼	ENVIRONMENT, BIOLOGY AND GEOLOGY 🛛 🗸
CULTURE -	CULTURE 🗸
MODÈLES ALTIMÉTRIQUES NUMÉRIQUES (BD-L-LIDAR) 🛶	DIGITAL ELEVATION MODEL (BD-L-LIDAR)
ZONES GÉOGRAPHIQUES UAS 🦂 🗸	UAS GEOGRAPHICAL ZONES 📃 🗸
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CADASTRE DU COMMERCE POI 🧹	BUSINESS CADASTRE POI 🔶

The two layers are then available as follow:

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i 🔲 Flight height from 0 to 50m	
i 🔲 Flight height from 50 to 120m	

Which layer should I choose?

The layer chosen depends on the **maximum** heigh. This maximum height obviously depends on the operations planned, but also on the operating category chosen:

- The OPEN category limits the maximum height to <u>120 metres</u> above the ground,
- The **SPECIFC** category imposes a limit based on the SORA analysis. Authorisation must be requested from the DAC for this category.



What does the color code of a zone represent?

A layer represents dynamic data **in real time**. It is therefore essential to **refresh** the navigation page regularly and always before a new flight.

1. The <u>grey zone</u>: is an existing zone which is inactive at the time of consultation. UAS flights are prohibited in this geographical zone when it is activated, for the flight height indicated.



2. The <u>vellow zone</u>: this zone is still inactive at the time of consultation. *However, this zone will be activated shortly, and remote pilots should anticipate the change in status of the zone.*



3. The <u>red zone</u>: is an **active** zone.



By clicking on the colored areas (grey, yellow or red) on Géoportail, you can access information about that specific area. For restricted areas (**red**) you can download forms to request authorisation or notification of access to this area.

An inactive zone systematically passes through the intermediate "activated soon" stage (yellow) before becoming active (red). This advance notice of activation varies from 30 minutes to 6 hours depending on the nature of the zone.



Note: It is recommended to use the **"Road Map"** background to optimize color contrast. This background might be selected from the upper right end corner on the screen.



How to get the access conditions to a particular zone?

Simply click on the zone. An "Info" window will then appear on the left of the screen, containing all the essential information:

- Reference: zone reference, in accordance with ministerial regulations;
- Description: a short description of the zone (object);
- Upper & lower limits: vertical limits of the zone;
- Start and end time: timeframe during which the zone is active;
- Remarks: potential remarks (e.g. notice of zone activation).

Access conditions to a zone are set out in the attached PDF document (Conditions: "Download file"). It is mandatory to respect all the conditions to access a particular zone.

What if two geographical zones overlap within the same layer?

UAS geographical zones might have different natures and objectives. The <u>access conditions are then</u> <u>cumulative</u>. If the remote pilot is willing to operate at a location where 2 zones overlap, it is then **compulsory** to respect the access conditions of the 2 zones.





• The conditions of the zone protecting the stadium (EL-UAS-S12 - right).	 Conditions of the zone protecting Luxembourg airport (EL-UAS-A1-ELLX0 - right).
In this case, the conditions imply, amongst others, a flight notification in the zone EL-UAS- H3-1 whilst the EL-UAS-S12 zone prohibits flights during a defined timeframe. Therefore, the flight in the overlapped zone is not authorized during this defined timeframe, even if the remote pilot respects all the conditions of the zone EL-UAS- H3-1.	In this specific case, the conditions imply, amongst others, an authorization from ANA for the zone EL-UAS-A1-ELLXO and a notification for the zone EL-UAS-H1-2. The authorization from ANA does NOT relief the pilot from the notification requested by EL- UAS-H1-2.

What are the conditions for accessing a zone?

By clicking on a particular zone, an "Info" window appears on the left of the screen. The last information contains a PDF file to download ("Download file"). This PDF defines the conditions to access the zone. Example for **EL-UAS-H1-1**:



Should it be required, the form is completed by an information sheet (verso).

You must meet all the conditions to access the zone.



How do I locate myself on a map? How do I determine my GPS position?

Some areas require the transmission of GPS coordinates for operations. In aviation, GPS coordinates are shared in the international WGS84 format in degrees, minutes, and seconds ("DMS").

There are several options for determining a position in this format:





How to prepare for a flight?

It is generally recommended to prepare for a flight before to move to the location to know the access conditions (which sometimes require actions several days in advance) and to avoid issues with connection to the internet.

A simple click on the precise location of the operations identifies all the existing zones at that particular point thanks to the information in the left-hand column. Example:



Most of the UAS geographical zones are permanent, i.e. they are active all year long. There are no quick changes to anticipate. Amongst them:

- The zones for Luxembourg airport and the helistations,
- The zones for the prisons, Police Grand-Ducale and the Maison du Grand-Duc,
- The zone of the harbour of Mertert,
- The NSPA zone.

Others zones might be activated with prior notice, sometimes quite short. It is therefore very important to ensure these zones are not actives by refreshing the information from the system before **each flight**:

30 minutes prior notice:

- The zones around the airport of Useldange and Noertrange. These zones are activated during the corresponding aerial activities on these airfields.

6 hours prior notice:

- The zones related to the military TSAs. These zones are activated during the corresponding aerial activities,
- The zones around the stadiums.