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ROCKHAMPTON AERODROME (YBRK) RUNWAY ARRESTOR CABLE 03 OCT - 11 NOV 2025

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This AIP SUP cancels and replaces SUP H150/25 with changes to section 3.
- 1.2 Military F-16 fast jet aircraft will operate from Rockhampton Airport during Exercise Wallaby 2025 (XWB25), as promulgated in AIP Supplement "Military Exercise 'WALLABY 2025' Shoalwater Bay/Rockhampton, 06 SEP - 03 NOV 2025".
- 1.3 Airfield and runway support for F-16 aircraft includes the installation and operation of a temporary arrestor cable, which will be located across the runway at Rockhampton for F-16 departures and arrivals. Possible holding requirements for YBRK are articulated in AIP SUP and will be notified by NOTAM.
- 1.4 The temporary arrestor cable will require personnel and equipment to be located within the flight strip at Rockhampton airport to operate. YBRK NOTAM will advise timing of the arrestor cable's presence.
- 1.5 The cable will only be rigged during times of Rockhampton Tower activation, but the equipment anchoring the cable will remain on site within the flight strip from approximately 03 October until 11 November 2025.

2. LOCATION AND EQUIPMENT – BAK-12 TEMPORARY ARRESTOR CABLE

- 2.1 The BAK-12 temporary arrestor cable consists of plant and equipment located on the grass to the side of the runway, and a removable cable which is installed across the runway for each F-16 take-off and landing. The anchoring plant is located within the flight strip and is non-frangible and extends 30 cm above the ground. It is located on each side of the runway and anchored to the grassed surface. The arrestor housing is 6 metres in length 2.4 metres wide and 2 metres high. The arrestor housing is located just outside the cable line. The equipment is unlit.
- 2.2 The arrestor cable housing is located on either side of the runway 490 metres from the threshold of RWY 33.
- 2.3 The arrestor cable will be operated and maintained by qualified Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) staff who will maintain continuous radio communication with Rockhampton Tower and the RAAF Liaison Officer.
- 2.4 The cable is only rigged for F-16 departure and arrivals and is clear of the runway at all other times. No aircraft is permitted to trample the rigged cable. The time to rig and de-rig the cable may be up to 10 minutes. Persons and vehicles will be near the arrestor cable site when it is rigged, and during its operational times.

3. ROCKHAMPTON AERODROME PROCEDURES

3.1 YBRK NOTAM

- 3.1.1 A NOTAM will be issued advising the location of the cable and its equipment. The NOTAM will also advise the daily timing of the periods in which the cable will be rigged.

3.2 Rockhampton Tower

- 3.2.1 When the cable is rigged, Rockhampton Tower will only issue take-off and landing clearances on RWY 15/33 to Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) F-16 aircraft.

3.3 RAAF Cable Party

- 3.3.1 The operator of the cable system will rig and de-rig the cable for F-16 operations only. They will gain Rockhampton Tower's clearance to enter the flight strip and rig the cable and will report when clear of the flight strip.

4. CANCELLATION

- 4.1 This SUP self-cancels at 202511101400 UTC.

5. DISTRIBUTION

- 5.1 Airservices Australia website only.