

Operational Low Flying Training Timetable May 2011

The table below sets out the timetable for use of the three Tactical Training Areas (TTA) for operational low flying training by fast jets and Hercules transport aircraft. Operational low flying by fixed wing aircraft between 250ft and 100ft is a more representative altitude at which pilots would actually fly in a combat scenario. The final decision to use a TTA is taken on the day itself as this kind of training can only take place when there is good visibility from cloud; while it is likely a number of the slots will not be used, no additional times will be added to those already booked.

The three TTA are:

LFA 7(T) - Central Wales

LFA 14(T) - Northern Scotland

LFA 20(T) - the borders area of Southern Scotland and Northern England

When a TTA is active, 'routine' low flying can take place down to 500 ft. When the TTA is not in use low flying training is permitted down to 250 ft and helicopters down to ground level. Late spring and summer are the busiest times for low flying as squadrons make full use of good weather to carry out their training

May 11		LFA 7(T)	LFA 14(T)	LFA 20(T)
2	Monday	-	-	-
3	Tuesday	0900-1000	1000-1100, 1230-1330	1600-1700
4	Wednesday	1000-1100	1100-1200, 1400-1500	1100-1200
5	Thursday	1100-1200	0900-1000, 1200-1300	1330-1430
6	Friday	1200-1300	0900-1000, 1100-1200, 1300-1400	1100-1200
9	Monday	1200-1300	1100-1200, 1400-1500	0900-1000
10	Tuesday	1400-1500	0900-1000, 1200-1300	1500-1600
11	Wednesday	1000-1100	1100-1200, 1300-1400	1400-1500
12	Thursday	1600-1700	1000-1100, 1200-1300	1630-1730
13	Friday	0900-1000	0900-1000, 1100-1200, 1400-1500	1100-1200
16	Monday	1400-1500	0900-1030, 1200-1230	1430-1530
17	Tuesday	1100-1200	0900-1030, 1300-1330	1100-1200
18	Wednesday	1200-1300	0900-1030, 1400-1430	1630-1730
19	Thursday	0900-1000	0900-1000, 1500-1600	1100-1200
20	Friday	1000-1100	0900-1030, 1130-1200, 1300-1400	1000-1030, 1100-1130
23	Monday	1100-1200	0900-1030, 1430-1500	1200-1300
24	Tuesday	1200-1300	0900-1030, 1300-1330	1630-1730
25	Wednesday	1000-1100	0900-1030, 1200-1300	1200-1300
26	Thursday	1430-1530	0900-1030, 1400-1430	1100-1200
27	Friday	0900-1000	0900-1030, 1200-1300, 1430-1500	1000-1030, 1130-1200
30	Monday	-	-	-

31	Tuesday	1500-1600	1000-1100, 1400-1500	1000-1100