ENR 5. NAVIGATION WARNINGS

ENR 5.1 PROHIBITED, RESTRICTED, DANGER AND CAUTION AREAS

1. General

All airspace in which a potential hazard to aircraft operations may exist and all areas over which the operation of civil aircraft may, for one reason or another be restricted either temporarily or permanently, are classified according to the following four types of areas which three of them as defined by ICAO, and fourth one "Caution area" defined by Islamic Republic of Iran.

2. Definitions

Prohibited area: An airspace of defined dimensions, above the land areas or territorial waters of Islamic Republic of Iran, within which the flight of aircraft is prohibited. This term is used only when the flight of civil aircraft within the designated airspace is not permitted at any time under any circumstances.

Restricted area: An airspace of defined dimensions, above the land areas or territorial waters of Islamic Republic of Iran, within which the flight of aircraft is restricted in accordance with certain specified conditions. This term is used whenever the flight of civil aircraft within the designated airspace is not absolutely prohibited but may be made only of specified conditions are complied with. Thus prohibition of flight except at certain specified times leads to the designation of the airspace as a "restricted area" as would prohibition except in certain meteorological conditions. Similarly prohibition of flight unless special permission had been obtained, leads to the designation of a restricted area.

However, conditions of flight imposed as a result of application of rules of the air or air traffic service practices or procedures (for example, compliance with minimum safe heights or with rules stemming from the establishment of controlled airspace) do not constitute condition calling for designation as a restricted area.

Danger area: An airspace of defined dimensions within which activities dangerous to the flight of aircraft may exist at specified times. This term is used only when the potential danger to aircraft has not led to the designation of the airspace as restricted or prohibited.

The effect of the creation of the danger area is to caution operators or pilots of aircraft that it is necessary for them to assess the dangers in relation to their responsibility for the safety of their aircraft.

Caution area: An airspace of defined dimensions within which uncontrolled and manoeuvering aircraft may be encountered, so it is necessary for the pilots "to use caution" when entering such airspace for avoidance of probable danger. Pilots of participating aircraft as well as pilots transiting the area are responsible for collision avoidance and pilots transiting Caution areas should coordinate with ATS units prior entering such areas.

3. Description

Each area is numbered and a single series of numbers is used for all areas, regardless of type, to ensure that a number is never duplicated. Each area is a small as practicable, and contained within simple geometrical limits such as a circle, square and etc.

The type of area involved is indicated by the letter "P" for Prohibited, "R" for Restricted, "D" for Danger and "C" for Caution, preceded by the nationality letter "OI". For example areas are assigned numbers and letters in the following manner: OI P1, OI R2, OI D3, OI C4.

Each area is described in the tabulation found at ENR 5.1, which indicates its lateral and vertical limits, the type of restriction or hazard involved, the times at which it applies and other pertinent information.