

Aerodrome / Helipad / Base Approval Guide

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Explains DGCA approval for an aerodrome, airstrip, helipad or heliport — licensing, site and obstacle and safety requirements and the process — for private or public use. Use it to set up an approved landing site or base.

Purpose of this tool & output

License an airstrip, helipad or base

How the output is used

Use it to license an airstrip, helipad or operating base — the site, safety and approval steps to get an aerodrome licence or helipad approval.

Who receives it

The application goes to the DGCA (Aerodrome Standards Directorate), with state government and AAI/airport clearances as applicable for the site.

How to submit / file it

Submit the site, obstacle-survey, safeguarding and infrastructure details with land and NOC documents; the DGCA inspects the site against aerodrome standards before licensing.

Fees & charges

DGCA aerodrome licensing fees plus the substantial site, survey and infrastructure costs; the licence is renewable.

Who should vet it

The DGCA aerodrome-standards officers who inspect the site and the safeguarding survey before granting the licence.

Important cautions

Aerodrome, helipad and heliport requirements and clearances are detailed and involve multiple authorities and change. Confirm the current requirements and NOCs with DGCA and the relevant authorities and use qualified aerodrome consultants.

Companion documents

- [Aviation Approvals Roadmap](#)
- [DGCA Operator Permit \(NSOP/AOP\) Guide](#)
- [Aircraft Registration & Airworthiness Guide](#)
- [Operations Manuals & SMS Documentation Guide](#)
- [CAR Compliance Navigator](#)
- [BCAS Aviation Security Programme Guide](#)

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