

Canberra Control Zone Procedures and Communications

You can start and move an aircraft from the grass to the hard stand without a clearance, although a listening watch should be kept on 121.7. Once on the hard stand you request clearances from there...make sure you have an ERSA handy to be frequent with the various taxiways.

There are four segments to communications in a Class C airspace i.e. Canberra.

They are:

1. Airways Clearance – CBR Tower
2. Taxi Clearance – CBR Tower
3. Take-off Clearance – CBR Tower
4. Outbound Clearance – CBR Approach
5. Inbound Clearance – CBR Approach

Requesting an Airways Clearance

Listen to the ATIS first on 127.45

From Canberra Ground on 121.7

If you want to go out to a training area i.e. “Kings” (over Bungendore and to the north of, or “Barton” which is between Murrumbateman and Hall to the North/West.

Comms for aircraft e.g. VH-RRJ:

Pilot: *Canberra Ground G'day Romero Romero Juliet Kings Details.*

Canberra Ground: *Romero Romero Juliet go ahead.*

Pilot: *Romero Romero Juliet for Kings training area, 1 POB preferred altitude 4000, in receipt of “alpha” request airways clearance.*

Canberra Ground: *Romero Romero Juliet clearance to track direct to Bungendore 4000, squawk code “1044” departures frequency 124.5*

Pilot Read back: *Clearance direct to Bungendore 4,000, code 1044, departures frequency 124.5. Romero Romero Juliet.*

Once you have obtained an Airways Clearance and run-ups are complete you can request a taxi clearance.

Taxi Clearance

Pilot: *Canberra Ground Romero Romero Juliet request taxi clearance in receipt of “alpha”*

Canberra Ground: *Romero Romero Juliet cleared to taxi via Charlie then Bravo to holding point November runway 35 contact the tower when ready on 118.7..*

Note if using Runway 30 the Canberra Ground response would be:

Canberra Ground: *Romero Romero Juliet cleared to taxi via Charlie to holding point Charlie 5 Runway 30, cross runway 35...contact the Tower when ready on 118.7*

(very important to listen carefully to this clearance if you are using Rwy 30, as the instruction to hold short of Rwy 35 may apply).

Pilot Read back: *cleared to taxi via Charlie then Bravo to holding point November runway 35 Romero Romero Juliet.*

Take-off Clearance

Pilot: *Canberra Tower Romero Romero Juliet ready at holding point November RWY 35.*

Tower: *Romero Romero Juliet cleared for take-off make right turn*

Pilot Read back: *cleared for take-off make right turn Romero Romero Juliet..*

Tower: *Romero Romero Juliet contact Canberra Approach.*

Pilot Read back: *contact approach Romero Romero Juliet*

Outbound Clearance:

Pilot: *Canberra Approach G'day Romero Romero Juliet tuning right on climb to 4000 passing 2500..*

Canberra Approach: *Romero Romero Juliet identified.*

Canberra Approach: *Romero Romero Juliet control services are terminated squawk 1200 frequency change approved.*

Pilot Read back: *code 1200 Romero Romero Juliet G'day*

Inbound Clearance

After listening to the ATIS

Pilot: *Canberra Approach Romero Romero Juliet, Bungendore 4,500 in bound in receipt of "alpha" request airways clearance*

Canberra Approach: *Romero Romero Juliet clearance to track direct Canberra 4500 QNH 1015.*

Pilot Read back: *clearance to track direct Canberra 4500 QNH 1015.*

When getting closer to Canberra you may get

Canberra Approach: *Romero Romero Juliet do you have the field in sight?*

Pilot Read back: *Romero Romero Juliet affirm*

This will depend on what runways they put you on, it could be either 30 or 35.

Canberra Approach: *cleared visual approach for rwy 30 contact the tower on 118.7*

Pilot Read back: *Cleared visual approach runway 30 contact the tower on 118.7 Romero Romero Juliet g'day*

Pilot: *Canberra Tower Romero Romero Juliet*

Canberra Tower: *Romero Romero Juliet or you may get report short final*

Canberra Tower: *Romero Romero Juliet cleared to land*

Pilot Read back: *cleared to land Rwy 30 Romero Romero Juliet*

Canberra Tower: *Romero Romero Juliet vacate the runway at taxiway Kilo, contact ground on 121.7 when vacated*

Pilot Read back: *vacate at Kilo Romero Romero Juliet*

Pilot: *Canberra Ground Romero Romero Juliet*

Canberra Ground: *Romero Romero Juliet taxi to the GA.*

Pilot Read back: *Taxi to the GA Romero Romero Juliet G' day*