



MINISTRY OF DEFENCE



SALISBURY PLAIN TRAINING AREA (SPTA) NEWS SHEET FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2010

This forecast shows our planned training. Unfortunately operational requirements mean that dates and times can change. The warning flags and signs show the actual range danger areas on a given day. Late night firing times are Tues, Thurs and Sat from March to October 2330hrs and from November to February 2100hrs inclusive.

General comments about military training should be made through Parish Councils to the Liaison Officer nominated by the appropriate Garrison Headquarters. **Specific complaints should be made in writing or by telephone as shown below**

**HEADQUARTERS SALISBURY PLAIN TRAINING AREA
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**PLAINWATCH
SPECIAL CONTACT
NUMBER
01980 674700**

**N D Linge MBE
Lieutenant Colonel (Retd)
for Commander**

TRAINING: August sees Exercises Timber Truss and Titan Clash, plus elements of 16 Air Assault Brigade deployed on the Plain, combined with training of reserve forces. In addition there are some activities displaced by recent operational training plus the annual influx of cadets. It will be a comparatively quiet period on Larkhill Ranges with only non-firing activities giving a flag free three week period from 1st to 22nd August and over the Bank Holiday. Imber is busy throughout August with high priority training.

ARTILLERY FIRING FROM SALISBURY PLAIN (WEST) : NIL

LATE FIRING ON SALISBURY PLAIN (WEST) : NIL

**ARTILLERY FIRING FROM WITHIN THE TILSHEAD,
CHITTERNE AND SHREWTON TRIANGLE :** NIL

ARTILLERY FIRING FROM SALISBURY PLAIN (EAST) : NIL

LATE FIRING FROM SALISBURY PLAIN (EAST) : NIL

LATE FIRING ON LARKHILL/WESTDOWN RANGES : 24th, 26th, 31st

NON FIRING DAYS ON LARKHILL/WESTDOWN DANGER AREA : 1st to 22nd (inclusive)
28th, 29th 30th

NON FIRING DAYS ON BULFORD RANGES : 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd, 28th, 29th,
30th.

NON FIRING DAYS ON WARMINSTER RANGES : 1st to 15th (inclusive) 28th, 29th, 30th



HELICOPTER NIGHT FLYING: Night flying normally takes place from Monday to Thursday night. Some aircraft may show no lights but all operate under strict area control.

AIR ACTIVITIES: Dates and timings below are correct at the time of printing but may change due to aircraft serviceability or weather conditions.

AIRCRAFT TRIALS: Aircraft trials have priority over Larkhill Range on Wed and Fri from 1200 - 1700 hrs which may involve circuits crossing the Avon Valley.

PARACHUTING: Parachuting is scheduled to take place on EVERLEIGH and FOX COVERT DZs during normal working hours on most weekdays. Outside working hours and at weekends the dates and approximate times are:



PARACHUTING

FOX COVERT DZ (C130)

2nd 1300 - 3rd 0200
3rd 1100 - 4th 0200
4th 0800 - 5th 0200
5th 0800 - 6th 0200
6th 1900 - 7th 0100
7th 0800 - 1700
9th 0900 - 10th 0200
10th 0800 - 11th 0200
11th 0700 - 12th 0200
12th 0800 - 13th 0200
13th 1200 - 2359
14th 0900 - 1400

EVERLEIGH DZ (C130)

16th 0800 - 17th 0200
17th 0900 - 18th 0400
18th 2200 - 19th 0300
19th 0800 - 20th 0300
20th 1100 - 21st 0300
23rd 1500 - 24th 0330
24th 0800 - 25th 0200
25th 1000 - 26th 0200
26th 0700 - 27th 0200
27th 1200 - 2359
31st 0900 - 1st 0200

STRIPLANDINGS

DEPTFORD DOWN (C130)

3rd 1700 - 1900
4th 1230 - 1430
9th 1930 - 2130
11th 1930 - 2130

UPAVON

NIL NOTIFIED



FAST JET ACTIVITY APPROX TIMES ONLY

SPTA 'W'

SPTA 'E'

SPTA 'C'

NIL NOTIFIED

OPENING ROADS THROUGH IMBER RANGES

The MoD seeks to maximise the opportunities for public access to the roads through Imber where it does not interfere with military training.

When the School of Infantry was the main user of Imber Ranges, it took Summer, Christmas and Easter block leave. These stand down periods made it comparatively easy to open the roads through Imber Ranges. However, the increasing use of Salisbury Plain Training Area for training troops for Afghanistan, combined with other high priority training makes public access increasingly difficult.

This summer roads through Imber Ranges will open as follows:

August 2010 - Closed

September 2010

- From: 1800hrs on Friday 17th September to 1800hrs on Sunday 19th September.

During these two days, it is proposed to have the church open as follows:

- Saturday 18th September 1000 - 1700
this will include the Annual Church Service which will be held at 1500hrs.
- Sunday 19th September 1100 - 1700.

Provisional dates for opening the roads at Christmas 2010 are as follows:

- From 1800hrs on Friday 17th December to 1800hrs on Monday 3rd January 2011



These dates may be changed at Short Notice due to Operational Training Commitments

PLAINWATCH NUMBER 01980 674700

PLAINWATCH is intended to identify suspicious activity on the Plain in order to detect and deter criminal activity.

We seek the support of those who regularly use the Plain for recreational purposes, who may see suspicious or criminal activity taking place. No approach or contact should be made with potential offenders. Please report to our 24 hour Operations Cell: **01980 674700**.

POLICE WARNING

**THIEVES OPERATE ON THE TRAINING AREA
SECURE YOUR VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AT
ALL TIMES**