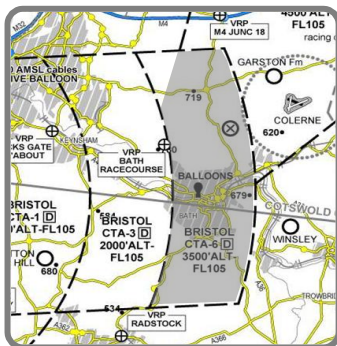


What is the Bath Gap?



Bristol CTA-6 (the shaded area centred over Bath) extends from 3500' to FL105, however the bottom 1000' (ie. 3500-4500'), known as the Bath Gap, can be used by gliders, HGs and PGs (flying under VMC) if it has been "activated".

The activation procedure is described on the next page.

Westbury

Members of the Avon HG & PG Club may, **with permission**, fly through the two areas known as the "Upton Triangle" and "Cow Down" at the western end of the Salisbury Plain Danger Area.

- The **Upton Triangle** extends from the westernmost point of Salisbury Plain Danger Area to easting 87
- **Cow Down** covers the 1km strip from easting 87 to easting 88

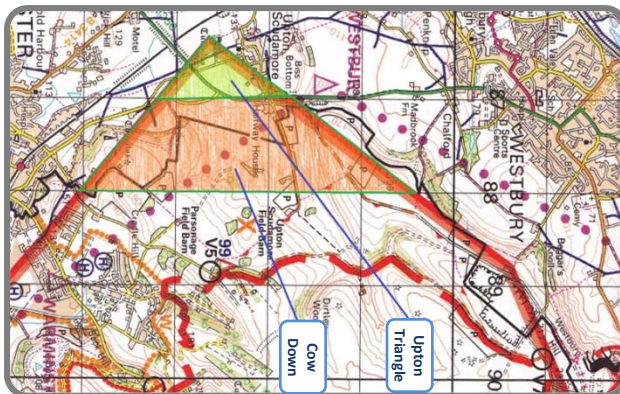
Emergencies

In the event of any unplanned landings on the MOD estate, Salisbury Plain Air Ops is to be notified immediately on **01980 674710/674730**. If SP Air Ops is closed contact the Range Ops Room **01980 674951/674877**

How do I activate the Bath Gap?

Having arrived at Leckhampton (or Mere):

1. Phone the **Gliding Activity Status message line (01275 473820)** to check whether the Bath Gap is active.
2. If **yes**, note the activation end time. If this isn't sufficient to allow you to cross the Gap in time go to step 3 and request the opening time be extended
3. If **no**, contact one of the five Avon Club reps and tell them what time you want the BG active from and for how long
4. They will text you back and tweet (**@avonairspace**) to confirm activation, or alternatively, call the Gliding Activity Status line after 5 minutes
5. Tell other pilots on the hill!



Avon HG & PG Club reps

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| Richard Danbury | 07876 681397 |
| Richard Hellen | 07969 819505 |
| Tim Pentreath | 07905 271114 |
| Nick Somerville | 07891 921651 |
| Ken Wilkinson | 07792 833991 |

NB. Please don't always call the same person!

Activation

- Activation requests can only be made by authorised members of the Avon HG&PG Club between certain hours:
 - Monday – Friday: 0800-1700
 - Weekends & Bank Holidays: Before 1200 on the last working day prior to the weekend / holiday
- For weekend flying you will need to **PLAN IN ADVANCE!**
- Once you have phoned one of the Avon reps they will text you back and tweet (**@avonairspace**) to confirm activation status
- **NB. DO NOT ASSUME THAT ACTIVATION WILL BE GRANTED!**

Remember...

- The Bath Gap can be requested to be opened for chunks of time (eg. 2, 3, 4, 5 hours)
- It can be extended by calling one of the five Avon Club reps who will make the request to Bristol ATC
- It can be activated no earlier than two hours prior to the ETA of the first glider at the boundary of the Bath Gap
- Gliders operating within the Bath Gap are to operate in accordance with VFR at all times (ie. 1000' below cloud, 1500m horizontally)
- Please be realistic when requesting activation - ie. if cloudbase is only 3500' then don't open it!

Visit www.avonhpgp.co.uk for more details

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Ubley

- The Ubley take-off is now inside Bristol CTR (SFC to FL105)
- The Ubley Glider Block (UGB) is an approximately triangular chunk of airspace from the surface to 4000' that can be activated to fly in
- Halesland Block A (HBA) (south of the UGB) must also be activated if you're planning to go xc from Ubley - this raises the base in this part of the CTA from 3000' to 4000'
- To activate the UGB or HBA, call Bristol ATC on **01275 473714/5**, not one of the five Bath Gap nominees



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