

Bird Management at the Airport – Essentials Overview for Executives and Post Holders – 1 Day

Introduction

Airports are attractive to birds for a variety of reasons and managing the environment is fundamental to effective control. If an airport provides a positive environment in terms of food, water, shelter, or breeding sites, birds will habitually return despite our best efforts to discourage them. The control program is therefore potentially doomed to failure unless the airport is made as unattractive to birds/wildlife as possible.

Commitment to the process of Habitat management is therefore essential with assigned responsibility on the part of the airport's senior management. The cost of repair of aircraft following a bird strike with damage is significant.

Way Birds like Airports, what is the level of Bird strike risk at your airport, can birds be controlled, Are there less costly effective practices for reducing Bird strike risks, what are the Airport's responsibilities?

Fast-growing Air traffic, utilizing great numbers of quieter aircraft, together with an increase in bird populations, require greater effort to control and monitor birds' movements in the vicinity of airports.

This course is designed to provide Managers with basic knowledge about the presence and effective control of birds in and around airports, associated risks, standards, and best practices.

The course provides a comprehensive review of the requirements applicable to both aerodromes and operators in regard to Bird Management.

Who is the course for?

The training program is designed for airport executives and key personnel responsible for bird management. It provides essential knowledge and strategies for mitigating bird-related hazards, ensuring aviation safety, and maintaining compliance with regulatory requirements at airports.

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What is the Benefit of this Training - What will I learn?

The participants will learn about the importance of bird management in aviation safety, including the identification of bird species, their behavior, and the associated risks they pose. Additionally, you will gain insights into effective bird control measures, risk assessment methodologies, and the development of comprehensive bird management plans tailored to airport operations.

Detailed Content / Topics - The following Subjects will be addressed

- Intro
- Abbreviations & Terms
- Bird Management at the airport

Why Birds Like Airports

General

Birds and the law

- Aerodrome Ecology
- Bird dispersal
- Passive Management

Defining Roles & Responsibilities

Involving Stakeholders

Communicating Risks

- Active Management

Assess the Risk

Monitoring & Data Collection

Airport Safeguarding

Off-airfield monitoring

- The Bird Control Log
- Birdstrike Remains Identification
- Equipment
- Bird Behavior Modification
- Habitat Management
- Reporting of Bird Strikes
- International minimum best practice standards
- Training
- Operations

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Target Groups

The course is intended for aviation industry staff or government officials who currently have limited or no knowledge of the subject and who will either be employed on Bird management duties or who may have to supervise Bird control specialists in their current/future roles.

Pre-requisites

A background in an aviation environment. There are no prerequisites for this course however, a basic knowledge of EASA Aviation Regulations and Regulatory Environment will be an advantage. This Training is suitable for Airport personnel involved in Bird management and control in accordance with ICAO and IATA recommendations, IBSC Standards and best practices and EASA requirements.

In addition, it is suitable for Safety & Quality Assurance Staff who need to have a comprehensive understanding of your birdstrike situation when performing a formal risk assessment.

Learning Objectives

Participants are to be able to implement a Bird strike management policy, action, and necessary measures to reduce the Bird strike risk to the lowest practicable level.

To analyze bird data in respect of bird strikes and observations and monitoring of bird/wildlife activities in and around the Airport.

To reveal trends that will assist airport authorities to recognize areas of concern, which should be addressed through a well-managed Bird control program.

The course presents several habitat management practices that can make an airport less attractive to birds.

To create a checklist for Gap analyses.

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"The instructor demonstrated a very deep knowledge of the subject."

"The length of the course fits my needs and expectations."

"The content was really effective, I gained a lot of new knowledge."

"The practical examples were perfectly delivered."

Duration

1 day – Start at 09.00 and finish at 17.00, with appropriate refreshment breaks. To register for this training, please email team@sassofia.com or Call +359 28210806

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