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FLIGHT CARD

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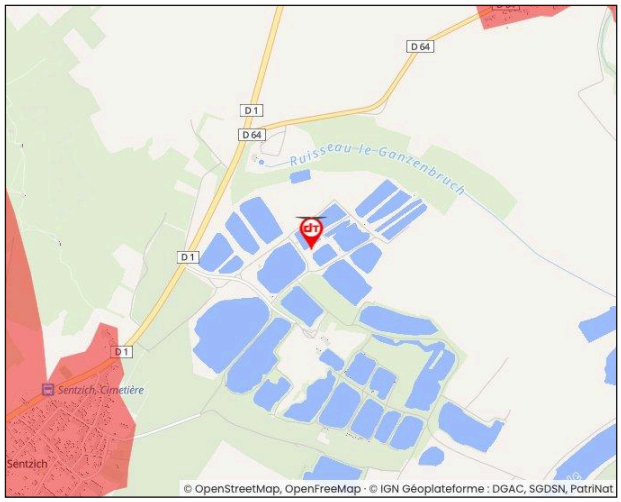
Cattenom - Sandpits of Sentzig

Water · Moselle

GPS coordinates	49.42349, 6.27039
Elevation	150 m
Maximum height	120 m max
Access	On foot < 1,000 m
Nearest aerodrome	Clinique Ste-Thérèse heliport 22 km NW · spot 155 m lower
Spot reference	304201



Spot location and restrictions (Drone-Spot map image)

Sun (local times, UTC+01:00)

Day	Dawn	Sunrise	Sunset	Dusk	Day length	Golden hour
Mon 23 Nov	07:22	07:58	16:45	17:20	8 h 46	07:58–08:50 · 15:52–16:45
Tue 24 Nov	07:24	08:00	16:44	17:20	8 h 44	08:00–08:52 · 15:51–16:44
Wed 25 Nov	07:25	08:01	16:43	17:19	8 h 41	08:01–08:54 · 15:50–16:43

Nearby aerodromes

Aerodrome	Type	Distance	Elevation
Clinique Ste-Thérèse heliport	Heliport	22 km NW	305 m
Centre Hospitalier Emile Mayrisch Heliport	Heliport	23 km NW	296 m
Luxembourg-Findel International Airport	Major airport	23 km N	376 m
Hôpital Kirchberg heliport	Heliport	24 km N	372 m

Description

Flying site around the old sandpits of Sentzig, which are being renatured. Possible views of the mosaic of ponds, and their colours ranging from deep blue to emerald green. View also on the village of Sentzig, and its Maginot works, then in the distance on the Moselle and on the lake and the air coolers of the Cattenom nuclear power station. Traditional altitude limit. Be careful not to fly too low so as not to bother the fishermen and not to approach the waste dump or the sandpit still in operation. No interference found during the flight. Have a good flight!

Scan to open the up-to-date spot page: weather, map and restrictions.

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=304201

Before every flight: check the UAS zones map, NOTAMs and temporary areas, the weather and the Kp index.

Preparing the flight

Pre-flight Check-List

- ☐ Area checked: UAS zones, restrictions, protected areas
- ☐ NOTAMs and temporary areas checked
- ☐ Weather: wind, gusts, rain, visibility; Kp index
- ☐ Operator number displayed on the drone
- ☐ Training certificate or licence with me
- ☐ Third-party liability insurance checked
- ☐ Batteries charged: drone, controller, phone
- ☐ Propellers, motors and frame in good condition
- ☐ Memory card inserted and empty
- ☐ Software up to date, compass and IMU calibrated
- ☐ Return to home: home point and return height set
- ☐ Electronic signalling or remote ID active
- ☐ Take-off area clear, people informed and at a distance
- ☐ Observer present for FPV flights

Key rules of the open category

Recreational flying in France: European open-category rules, applied by the DGAC.

- Maximum height: 120 m above the ground, lower where a restriction requires it.
- Always keep the drone in sight; when flying FPV, an observer keeps it in sight next to you.
- Never fly over crowds and keep the distances of your subcategory (A1, A2 or A3).
- Respect UAS geographical zones: around aerodromes, prohibited or restricted areas, protected areas, sensitive sites.
- Register as an operator if the drone weighs 250 g or more or carries a camera (toys excepted), and display the number on the drone.
- Training: online A1/A3 certificate from 250 g or for a class C1 drone; A2 certificate to fly closer to people with a class C2 drone.
- Always give way to manned aircraft and land if one approaches.
- Respect privacy: no images that identify people without their consent; aerial photography is prohibited in some areas.
- Check your third-party liability insurance.
- In France: registration and training on AlphaTango (DGAC); a drone of 800 g or more must broadcast electronic signalling (or the remote ID of class-marked drones).

Non-exhaustive summary: rules change. Reference: the DGAC open-category guide and the country's regulations.

Useful links

UAS zones map around the spot : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/carte-uas.aspx?lat=49.42349&lon=6.27039
Drone pilot library : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque
DGAC open-category guide (French) : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque/guide-categorie-ouverte
Registration and training (AlphaTango) : https://alphatango.aviation-civile.gouv.fr
NOTAMs and temporary areas (SOFIA Briefing) : https://sofia-briefing.aviation-civile.gouv.fr

My flight notes

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