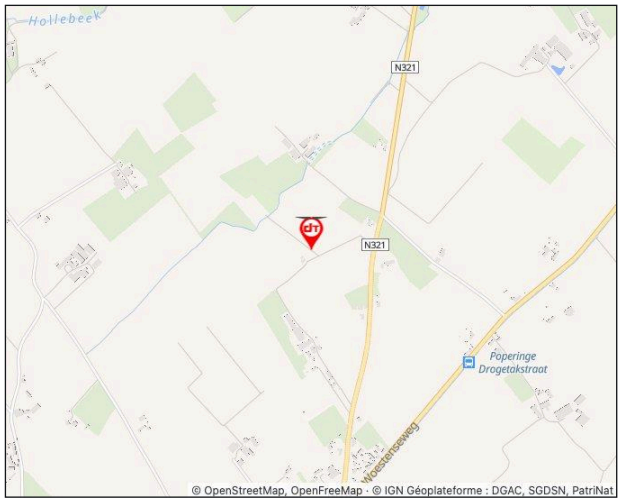
# Poperinge (B)

Heritage · Belgium

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| **GPS coordinates** | 50.87781, 2.73399 |
| **Elevation** | 18 m |
| **Maximum height** | 120 m max |
| **Access** | On foot < 1,000 m |
| **Nearest aerodrome** | Reninge heliport (EBLR)<br>6.4 km N · spot 10 m higher |
| **Spot reference** | 317113 |




Spot location and restrictions (Drone-Spot map image)

## Sun (local times, UTC+01:00)

| Day | Dawn | Sunrise | Sunset | Dusk | Day length | Golden hour |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Tue 17 Nov** | 07:32 | 08:08 | 17:00 | 17:36 | 8 h 51 | 08:08–09:01 · 16:07–17:00 |
| **Wed 18 Nov** | 07:33 | 08:10 | 16:59 | 17:35 | 8 h 48 | 08:10–09:03 · 16:05–16:59 |
| **Thu 19 Nov** | 07:35 | 08:11 | 16:57 | 17:34 | 8 h 45 | 08:11–09:05 · 16:04–16:57 |

## Nearby aerodromes

| Aerodrome | Type | Distance | Elevation |
|---|---|---|---|
| Reninge heliport | Heliport | 6.4 km N | 8 m |
| Regionaal Ziekenhuis Jan Yperman VZW Hospital Heliport | Heliport | 12 km E | 20 m |
| Veurne heliport | Heliport | 16 km N | 25 m |
| Diksmuide heliport | Heliport | 18 km NE | 4 m |

## Description

Former German observation tower from the Battle of Britain.

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

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=317113

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

This country applies the European drone rules (open category); it may add its own zones and conditions.

- 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.

*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=50.87781&lon=2.73399
**Drone pilot library :** https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque

## My flight notes

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