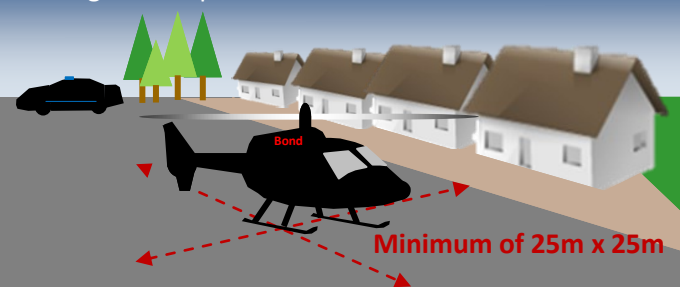


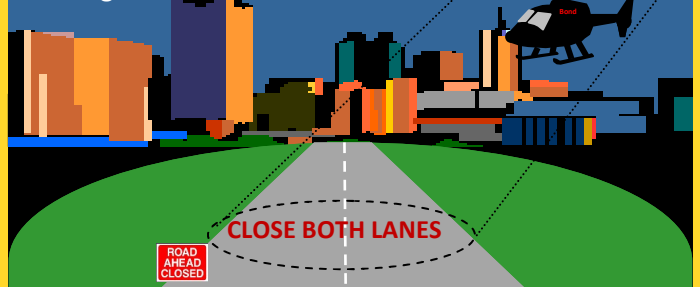
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Landing Site Preparations



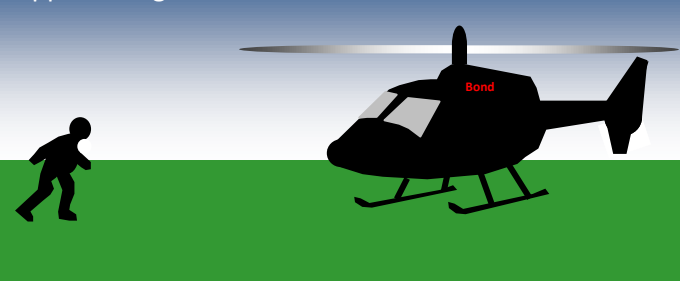
Landing sites need to be free of people, obstacles, trees and overhead wires. Remove as much litter as possible. Do not cordon off with tape.

Landing on Roads



Both carriageways **MUST** be closed to traffic. Emergency vehicles should not be within 30m of ANY landing site.

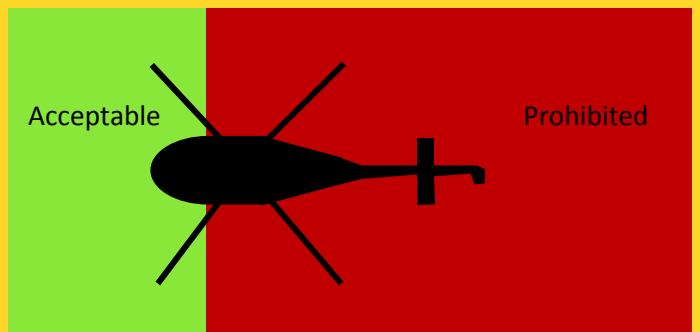
Approaching



DO NOT APPROACH without receiving a visual instruction from the pilot. If in doubt do not approach the helicopter until the rotors have fully stopped.

Acceptable

Prohibited



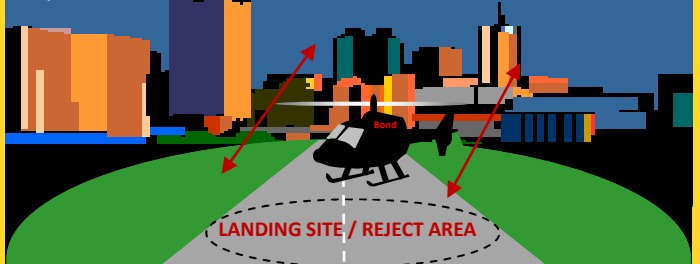
Safety zones for approaching / leaving the helicopter. Stay where the pilot can see you at all times.

Sloping Grounds



On sloping ground, **ALWAYS** approach/depart the helicopter on the downslope side for maximum rotor clearance.

Departure



IN AN EMERGENCY, THE HELICOPTER MAY NEED TO LAND BACK ON THE REJECT AREA.

KEEP ALL PEOPLE AND VEHICLES CLEAR OF AREA.

Briefing from Crew:

- Do **NOT** help the crew without direct instructions.
- Do **NOT** help load/unload the patient without a request from the crew.
- Do **NOT** help the crew with opening or closing the doors.
- Be prepared to control access to the landing site under direction from the crew in preparation for helicopter departure.



Keep in mind:

- Downwash from the helicopter can be damaging. Remove loose objects and hats. Remove as much litter from the site as possible.
- Do not attempt to attract the crew's attention with bright lights or lasers.
- Keeping the Reject Area clear is vital to your safety.
- When landing on or departing from roads - including dual-carriageways and motorways - **BOTH** carriageways must be closed to **ALL** vehicles.

