

Radio procedure for the circuit at La Motte du Caire

1. Generally

- The frequency **122.500** is used for winch launching, for the circuit, for announcing position and for information. Pilots going cross country should change to 129.975 when they want to talk to other pilots.
- If you intend to use special frequencies during flight, you should inform the CFI, so that in case of emergency he can call you.
- All the circuit calls provide information for pilots flying near the airfield. If you forgot a french word, use English.
- It is very important that you dont talk on the radio while winching is in progress. Listen carefully before making a radio call.
- Remember, the descending area serves to organize landing, especially when there are other gliders who want to land as well. All your checks should be done in this area (no launching in progress, runway is clear, wind direction, undercarriage down and locked and straps well tightened...)

2. circuit for runway 36

- The descending area is roughly over La Motte du Caire village. When you want to enter and announce your intention, be sure there are no other gliders inside or if they have already announced they are in the area then monitor their progress
- **La Motte du Caire, 705 zone de perte d'altitude pour la 36 à 1200 mètres**
[La Motte du Caire, 705 in the descending area for runway 36 at 1200 m](#)
- Now everybody is informed about the runway you intend to use and your position. Ask a responsible person on the ground to give you information about the wind, as it may be better to change the landing direction. The final decision of course rests with the pilot.
- Depending on the conditions, leave the descending area between 1000 or 1100 m and join the downwind leg on the eastside of the landing field. As soon as you are beside the beginning of the runway announce that you are on the downwind leg.
- **La Motte du Caire, 705 vent d'arrière pour la 36, train sorti et verrouillé**
[La Motte du Caire, 705 downwind for runway 36, undercarriage down and locked](#)

3. Circuit for runway 18

- The descending area for runway 18 is over the „Sasse“, southeast of the airfield. The circuit may be on the west or on the east of the airfield. This must be announced very clearly on your downwind leg.
Now the radio call:
- **La Motte du Caire, 705 zone de perte d'altitude pour la 18 à 1200 mètres**
[La Motte du Caire, 705 in the descending area for runway 18 at 1200 m](#)
- When you choose to fly the circuit on the west side, its called " [main droite = right hand approach](#) ". In the east its called " [main gauche = left hand approach](#) ".
- **La Motte du Caire, 705 vent d'arrière pour la 18, main droite (gauche), train sorti et verrouillé**
[La Motte du Caire, 705 downwind for runway 18, right hand \(left hand\), undercarriage down and locked.](#)