

STARSPEED





“As a pilot you cannot buy experience
but as our passenger you can.”

THE COMPANY

Starspeed is a helicopter management, charter and training company.

It has been operating safely and accident free since 1978. It is the largest privately owned corporate, VIP helicopter company in Europe and has a reputation for trust, discretion and absolute individual care and attention.

Starspeed operates a growing fleet of aircraft worldwide, currently with 16 helicopters under management and a further 3 available to the training school. We provide support from purchase to on-going maintenance and management, flying operations, resale and upgrade.

Our service is focussed upon the needs and wishes of each individual client: We make the experience of helicopter ownership a pleasurable and exciting one, whilst operating to the highest standards of safety and discretion.

Our charter operations utilise the finest twin-engine, instrument flight capable helicopter and provide fast, efficient travel throughout the UK and Europe. We cater for one-off or regular passenger flights, specific charters such as film production and bespoke operations to various world regions.

Starspeed also offers specialist conversion training; including instrument ratings, type ratings and other tailored courses for qualified pilots looking to extend their skills.

The company's professional, friendly culture combined with the experience and expertise of its pilots and operations staff has resulted in steady and stable growth. Our passion and vision gives our clients the freedom to enjoy their aircraft to the maximum.

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DIRECTORS

CAPTAIN IAN FIELD
Chairman

Royal Navy trained

Total helicopter hours: Over 8,000.

EASA Airline Transport Licence with instrument and night ratings.

EASA Type Rating and Instrument Examiner.

Extensive VIP, HEMS, Offshore and Hong Kong Police experience.

Professional Pilot since 1981.

CAPTAIN GARY BUTCHER
Director

Commercially trained in the UK.

Total helicopter hours: Over 6,000.

EASA Airline Transport Licence with instrument and night ratings.

EASA Flight Instructor Rating.

American FAA CPL.

Extensive VIP and UK Police experience.

Professional Pilot since 1989.

CAPTAIN DR. SIMON MITCHELL
Director

Royal Navy trained.

Total helicopter hours: Over 5,800

EASA Airline Transport Licence with instrument and night ratings.

Extensive VIP, Police and Offshore experience.

Professional Pilot since 1987.

Visiting Fellow, Cranfield Safety and Accident Investigation Centre.

CAPTAIN DAVID ARKELL
Director

Commercially trained in the UK.

Total helicopter hours: Over 8,000.

EASA Airline Transport Licence with instrument and night ratings.

EASA Type, Instrument and Flight Instructor ratings.

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THE TEAM

Starspeed is extremely proud of its team and what they achieve on behalf of clients: A commitment that has built the company's reputation for unrivalled safety, service, discretion and individual attention.

STARSPPEED PILOTS

Starspeed employs only the highest calibre of pilots. All have exceptional skills and experience and are chosen for their all-round ability to manage complex and demanding situations, whilst observing the utmost in discretion and professionalism at all times. Many are British Forces-trained and have many years of professional flying experience.

Our in-house instructors and examiners for each aircraft type ensure our pilots not only meet but exceed, the strict European and International regulations on training and flight standards.

All pilots hold Instrument Ratings and have significant relevant experience to allow them to fly in poor weather and night situations.



Our flying and ground teams and their collective years of experience and knowledge provide our clients with almost limitless opportunities to enjoy the advantages that a helicopter offers.



STARSPPEED COMPANY VALUES:

- Safety is prioritised at all times.
- Processes are continually reviewed to minimise exposure to risk.
- The establishment and adoption of industry best practices.
- The Company management is accountable for safety performance.
- Working safely is a condition of employment
- Safety makes economic sense.

This systematic approach to managing safety ensures long term cost efficiencies, improved company morale and the provision of evidence of effective management of risks to ensure safe operations.

“Helicopters are expensive assets;
the people we fly in them are priceless.”

THE TEAM

OPERATIONS AND AIRWORTHINESS MANAGEMENT TEAM

Starspeed's highly experienced operations and airworthiness management team have an unrivalled expertise in worldwide operations, regulation and aviation law. The relationships built up within the industry over the years enable us to pass on advantages of scale and scope to our clients and owners.

The combination of our flying and ground teams and their collective years of experience and knowledge, provide our clients with almost limitless opportunities to enjoy the advantages that a helicopter offers; be that exploring the Antarctic with combined yacht and flight operations or providing efficient and cost effective travel in more established arenas.



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QUALITY AND SAFETY

SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (SMS)

A Safety Management System provides a strategic, proactive and systematic approach to managing safety. It is an integral part of Starspeed's business process and we lead the industry with our approach and transparency.

Our SMS has been developed by Starspeed Director, Captain Dr. Simon Mitchell a visiting fellow at Cranfield Safety and Accident Investigation Centre. He specialises in Safety Management Systems for Rotary Aircraft and has been honoured for his work in this field by the British Helicopter Association.

Building upon this innovation in implementing practical safety systems, Starspeed also continually updates and upgrades its training courses for qualified pilots.

The latest new courses deal with increasingly technical and automated cockpits and best safety practices: And, using our extensive deck landing experience, we've designed a special course for pilots flying to superyachts.

Starspeed prioritises safety at all times. It is the key value driver across every part of the company's operations.

We have a mature safety and risk management system in place and are at the forefront of Safety Management Systems within the aviation industry going far beyond European regulatory requirements.

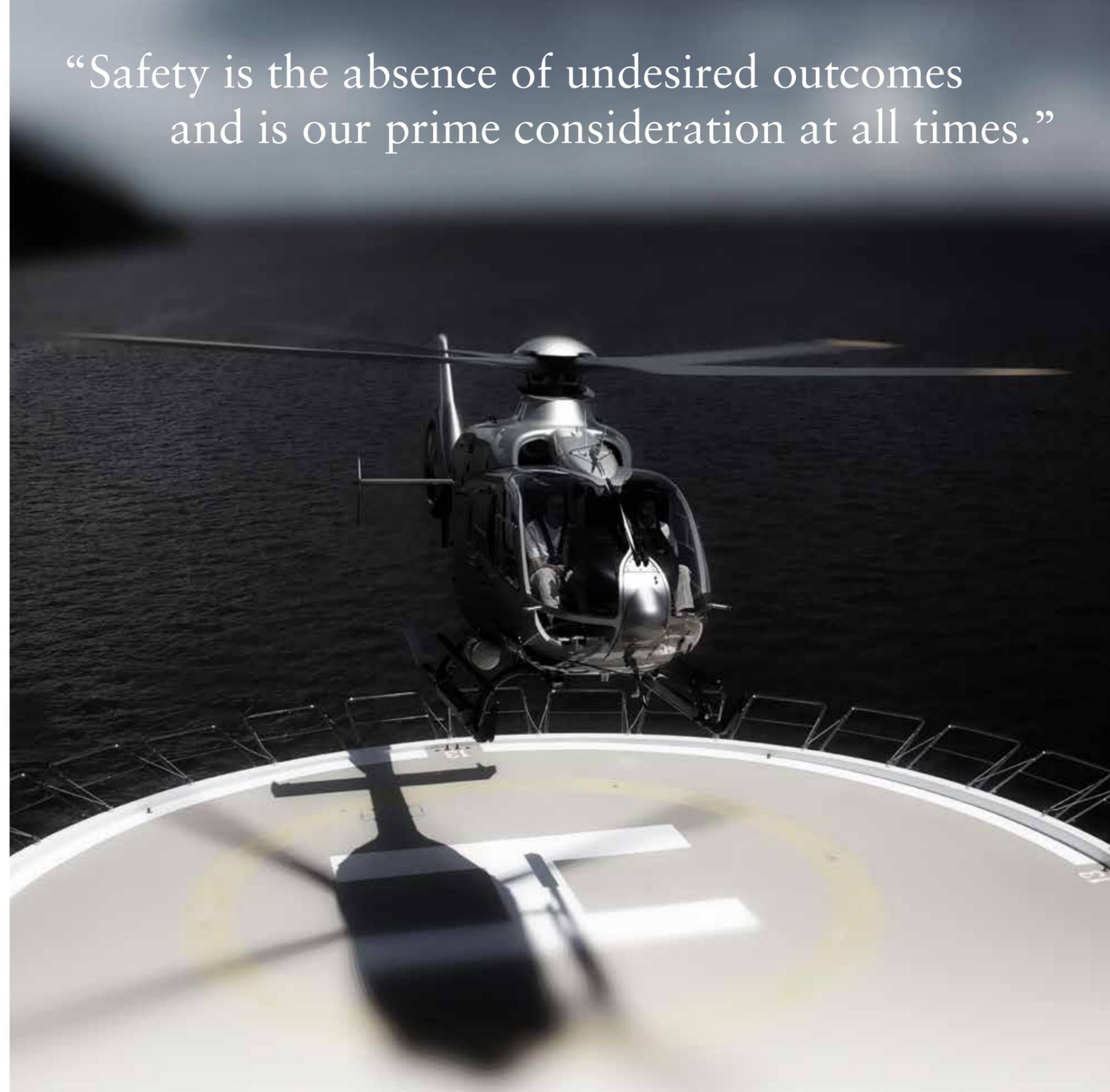
We actively monitor all our aircraft while they are in flight, utilizing the latest technology and systems to keep in contact with positions and flight regimes at all times.

QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Starspeed's Quality Management System ensures regulatory compliance and adoption of industry "best practice". We continually review and audit our processes and practices to maintain the highest standards. Starspeed's Airworthiness Managers, Pat Newell and Michael Snowden, and our Quality Manager are highly qualified engineers with more than 50 years combined experience.

The company is IS-BAO recognised and is regularly audited by US Flight Departments, Wyvern and our clients' own advisers.

“Safety is the absence of undesired outcomes and is our prime consideration at all times.”



We've earned the trust of our clients not only as a result of our excellent safety record but also because we are committed to openness and transparency across all our company policies.

“Starspeed’s reputation is built on turning the difficult into easy.”

HELICOPTER MANAGEMENT

PURCHASING A NEW AIRCRAFT

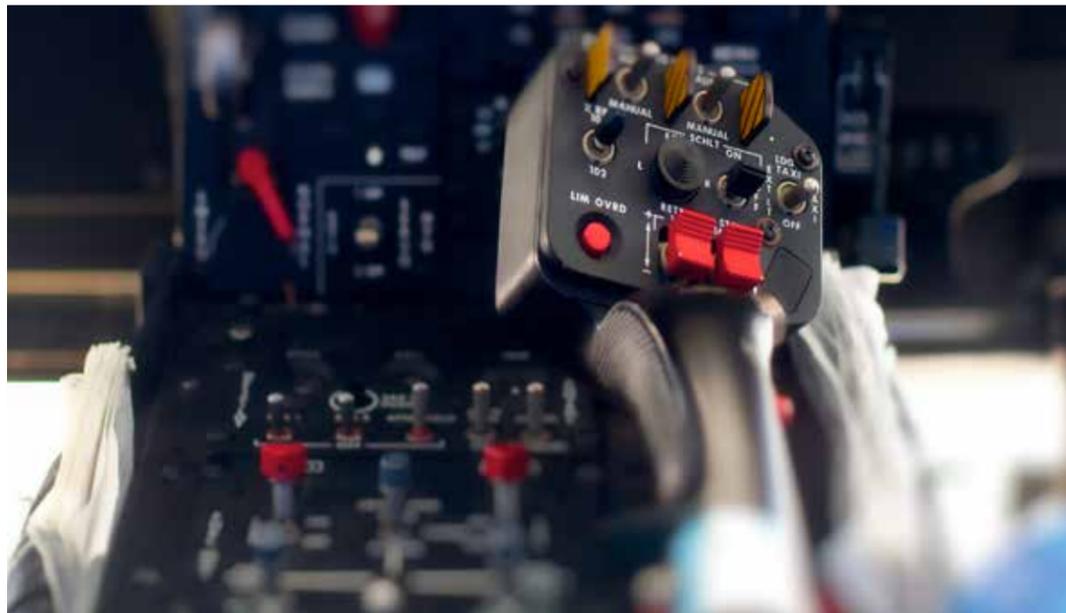
Every helicopter is a bespoke product, specifically created to meet the customer’s needs, as well as taking into account external factors such as climate, geography or conditions of operation.

It can make a dramatic difference to ownership if these requirements are understood, correctly anticipated and specified during the initial stages of the order.

A helicopter should work around you, making your life easier, making travel more convenient and even opening up possibilities you hadn’t previously thought of.

Starspeed has developed good working relationships with all the major helicopter manufacturers and can expertly guide you through the involved processes of build, aircraft acceptance, registration and delivery.

Starspeed is continually innovating and open to adopting new operating structures for clients’ individual requirements.



Starspeed provides a complete management package from advising upon new aircraft purchases to the continued care of the helicopter throughout its lifetime, in terms of maintenance, compliance and flight operations.

Our professional and friendly team use all their accumulated skill and knowledge to make helicopter ownership a pleasure.

Managing the operation of a modern, technologically advanced and highly versatile helicopter to public transport standards is a complex and sophisticated business; Starspeed uses its extensive experience to provide flexibility and possibilities within this strict regulatory regime.



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“Starspeed manages varied and challenging helicopter operations around the world”

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GLOBAL REACH

AIRCRAFT SHIPPING AND MAINTENANCE

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Through our global operations, we have developed a thorough understanding and broad experience in the movement of clients' aircraft around the world using airfreight, sea freight and flight transit.

Whilst overseas, we ensure essential maintenance is conducted to the same high standards as we would expect and demand from our teams at the aircraft's home base.

YACHT OPERATIONS

A large proportion of Starspeed's fleet is attached to World cruising yachts. We operate EC135, EC145, EC155 and SK76 types aboard private yachts ranging from 67m in length to 140m. Yacht operations are tailored exactly to the clients desires and conducted to the highest standards of safety and training.

We also provide a consultancy service working alongside naval architects to ensure helidecks and hangars are practical.

TEMPORARY OVERSEAS BASES

We have seasonal land-based operations in many countries including Greece, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, France, the Caribbean and the USA. Our knowledge of local regulations and relationships with service providers ensures the client receives the same high service levels wherever they wish to temporarily base their aircraft.



Yacht operations are tailored exactly to the clients desires and conducted to the highest standards of safety and training.



“Starspeed provides complete peace of mind,
so that you can enjoy your helicopter”

SERVICES

- Discreet and highly personal helicopter management.
- Charter operations under EU Air Operators Certificate Number: GB 1003.
- Specialist helicopter operations and safety management advice.
- Independent advice for aircraft purchase and operation.
- Advanced pilot training.
- Combined helicopter and yacht operations.



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