

2016 No. 174

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday Flypast) (Rehearsals) Regulations 2016

Made - - - - *11th February 2016*

Coming into force - - *7th June 2016*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of specified parts of Suffolk, Norfolk, Cambridgeshire and Lincolnshire by reason of the intended holding of rehearsals of a large formation flypast of aircraft, to commemorate Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday, that are scheduled to take place there.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 161 of the Air Navigation Order 2009^(a).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday Flypast) (Rehearsals) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 7th June 2016.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time^(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4), between 1010 hours and 1200 hours on each day beginning with 7th June and ending on 9th June 2016, no aircraft is to fly below 10,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 525209N 0022026E,
- (b) 523249N 0025026E,
- (c) 522558N 0024447E,
- (d) 520814N 0020909E,
- (e) 520436N 0015041E,
- (f) 522200N 0012000E and
- (g) 525209N 0022026E.

(a) S.I. 2009/3015, to which there are amendments that are not relevant to these Regulations.

(b) In these Regulations Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

(2) Subject to paragraph (4), between 1135 hours and 1205 hours on each day beginning with 7th June and ending on 9th June 2016 no aircraft is to fly below 7,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 524111N 0003539E,
- (b) 522600N 0012800E,
- (c) 522230N 0012100E,
- (d) 523636N 0003222E and
- (e) 524111N 0003539E.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), between 1135 hours and 1215 hours on each day beginning with 7th June and ending on 9th June 2016 no aircraft is to fly below 3,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—

(a) straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (i) 531514N 0002624W,
- (ii) 530114N 0002114W,
- (iii) 524111N 0003539E,
- (iv) 523636N 0003222E,
- (v) 530332N 0004246W,
- (vi) 531459N 0004230W and
- (vii) 531619N 0004034W, and

(b) the anticlockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 5 nautical miles whose centre is at 531828N 0003303W between 531619N 0004034W and 531514N 0002624W.

(4) Paragraphs (1) to (3) do not apply to any aircraft flying—

- (a) in accordance with a clearance issued by Swanwick Military,
- (b) in accordance with a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at RAF Marham, RAF Waddington or RAF Cranwell,
- (c) in the service of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or
- (d) in accordance with the permission of the HQ AIR Queen's Birthday Flypast 2016 Project Officer.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

11th February 2016

Kate Jennings
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in parts of Suffolk, Norfolk, Cambridgeshire and Lincolnshire in connection with rehearsals for a flypast that are scheduled to take place there between 7th and 9th June 2016. As timings for these rehearsals are critical and the formation may not be able to take effective avoiding action, the Civil Aviation Authority's Safety and Airspace Regulation Group considers that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the relevant areas to avoid the risk that transient aircraft may disrupt the formation and this has been agreed with the Department for Transport.

In relation to regulation 3(1), the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part A of Schedule 3 to the Air Navigation Order 2009 and also includes, by virtue of article 253(3) of that Order, any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parasending parachute, as such terms are defined in article 255(1) of the Order.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) to (3) are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(4)(d), the HQ AIR Queen's Birthday Flypast 2016 Project Officer may be contacted on telephone number 01494 495464 or 07770 648637.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular and NOTAM.

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority may be made to Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, telephone 020 7453 6586.