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CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wales National Airshow) Regulations 2016

Made - - - - - *21st April 2016*

Coming into force - - - - - *1st July 2016*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Swansea Bay, by reason of the intended holding of the Wales National Airshow.

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) (Wales National Airshow) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 1st July 2016.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), and during the periods specified in paragraph (3), no aircraft is to fly below 8,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 513800N 0040100W,
- (b) 513800N 0035100W,
- (c) 513400N 0035100W,
- (d) 513400N 0040100W, and
- (e) 513800N 0040100W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with—

- (a) the permission of the Wales National Airshow flying display director, or
- (b) a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at Swansea Airport while in the Swansea Aerodrome Traffic Zone.

(3) The periods referred to in paragraph (1) are—

(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).

- (a) between 1200 hours and 1600 hours on 1st July 2016, and
- (b) between 1130 hours and 1600 hours on 2nd and 3rd July 2016.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

21st April 2016

Tim May
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 specified in regulation 3(1) in the vicinity of Swansea Bay by reason of flying displays and associated rehearsals that are scheduled to take place there from 1st to 3rd July 2016, inclusive. A large number of civil and military aircraft will be involved in high-energy manoeuvres during the display and the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the displays for reasons of public safety.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘aircraft’ includes aircraft as classified by Part A of Schedule 3 to the Air Navigation Order 2009. It 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 parascending parachute.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), the Wales National Airshow flying display director may be contacted on telephone 07979 593941.

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

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.