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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Troon) Regulations
2016**

Made - - - - *6th June 2016*

Coming into force - - *10th July 2016*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Royal Troon Golf Course, Ayrshire by reason of the holding of the Open Golf Championship that is 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) (Troon) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 10th July 2016.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0430 and 2130 on each day beginning with 10th July 2016 and ending on 18th July 2016, no aircraft is to fly below 2,000 feet above mean sea level within the area of a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 553130N 0043800W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—

- (a) operated by or on behalf of the Scottish Air Ambulance Service,
- (b) operated by or on behalf of Police Scotland,
- (c) making an approach to, or departing from, Prestwick Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at Prestwick Airport, or
- (d) flying in accordance with the permission of—
 - (i) the Police Scotland Air Incidents Advisor, or
 - (ii) the Police Scotland Silver Commander.

(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).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

6th June 2016

Tim May
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Open Golf Championship will take place at the Royal Troon Golf Course, Ayrshire, between 10th and 18th July 2016, inclusive. This event will be open to the general public and an estimated 45,000 persons are expected to attend this event. Police Scotland has requested that restrictions be imposed on flying in the vicinity of the Open Golf Championship on public safety and security grounds and this has been agreed with the Department for Transport.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘aircraft’ includes, but is not limited to, 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.

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

In relation to the authority mentioned in sub-paragraph 3(2)(d), the Police Scotland Air Incidents Advisor may be contacted on telephone number 07717 720591 and the Police Scotland Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07920 507292.

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 number 020 7453 6586.