

2017 No. 1010

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Portsmouth and the Solent) (No. 2) Regulations 2017

Made - - - - *18th October 2017*

Coming into force - - *20th October 2017*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Portsmouth and the Solent by reason of the intended departure from Her Majesty's Naval Base Portsmouth of the Queen Elizabeth aircraft carrier.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 239 of the Air Navigation Order 2016(a).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Portsmouth and the Solent) (No. 2) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 20th October 2017.

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 1200 hours and 1400 hours on 20th October 2017, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—

- (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 503600N 0005400W,
 - (ii) 503600N 0010000W,
 - (iii) 504200N 0010130W,
 - (iv) 504340N 0010715W, and
 - (v) 504800N 0010902W,
- (b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 1.5 nautical miles centred on 504820N 0010644W between 504800N 0010902W and 504839N 0010425W, and
- (c) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 504839N 0010425W,

(a) S.I. 2016/765.

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

- (ii) 504455N 0010250W,
 - (iii) 504350N 0005530W, and
 - (iv) 503600N 0005400W.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—
- (a) operated by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service,
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services,
 - (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or
 - (b) flying with the permission of the Helicopter Co-ordinator at Her Majesty's Naval Base, Portsmouth.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

18th October 2017

Sarah Bishop
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 the vicinity of Portsmouth and the Solent by reason of the intended departure from Her Majesty's Naval Base Portsmouth of the Queen Elizabeth aircraft carrier that is scheduled to take place on 20th October 2017. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety and security.

In relation to regulation 3, the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It also includes, by virtue of article 23 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 regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(b) the Helicopter Co-ordinator at Her Majesty's Naval Base, Portsmouth, may be contacted on telephone number 02392 723805.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Notice to Airmen (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 020 7453 6586.