STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 263

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (RNAS Yeovilton) Regulations 2017

Made - - - - 28th February 2017

Coming into force - - 7th July 2017

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Royal Naval Air Station (RNAS) Yeovilton, Somerset by reason of the intended holding of flying displays that are scheduled to take place there.

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) (RNAS Yeovilton) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 7th July 2017.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

- **3.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2)—
 - (a) between 1100 hours and 1800 hours on 7th July 2017, and
 - (b) between 1000 hours and 1630 hours on 8th July 2017,

no aircraft is to fly below 6,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles whose centre is at 510033N 0023820W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at RNAS Yeovilton.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Sarah Bishop Head of Aviation Policy Department for Transport

28th February 2017

⁽a) S.I. 2016/765.

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

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of RNAS Yeovilton, Somerset for flying displays and associated rehearsals that are scheduled to take place there on 7th and 8th July 2017. A large number of civil and military aircraft will be involved in high-energy manoeuvres during the display. 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 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 Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice to Airmen (NOTAM).

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