STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 292

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Southport) Regulations 2018

Made - - - - 15th February 2018

Coming into force - - 6th July 2018

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Southport, Merseyside, by reason of the intended holding of flying displays and rehearsals at the Southport Airshow.

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) (Southport) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 6th July 2018.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

- **3.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), and during the periods specified in paragraph (2), no aircraft is to fly below 5,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2.3 nautical miles whose centre is at 533921N 0030117W.
 - (2) The periods referred to in paragraph (1) are—
 - (a) between 1100 hours and 1930 hours on 6 July 2018, and
 - (b) between 1000 hours and 1730 hours on 7 and 8 July 2018.
- (3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying with the permission of the Southport Airshow flying display director.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

15th February 2018

Sarah Bishop Department for Transport Head of Aviation Policy

⁽a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽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 Southport, Merseyside during the Southport Airshow, and associated rehearsals, that are scheduled to take place there during the three days of 6th to 8th July 2018. A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the displays and therefore 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(2) 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(3), the Southport Airshow flying display director may be contacted on telephone number 07711 437499.

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