

**2019 No. 612**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Music Festivals)  
Regulations 2019**

*Made* - - - - *18th March 2019*

*Coming into force* - - *24th May 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft by reason of the intended gathering of large numbers of persons at music festivals at various sites in England.

The Secretary of State makes these 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) (Music Festivals) Regulations 2019 and come into force on 24th May 2019.

**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 0800 hours and 2300 hours on each day beginning on 24th May and ending on 26th May 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 523231N 0011208W,
- (b) between 0800 hours on 12th June and 1400 hours on 17th June 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 524949N 0012231W,
- (c) between 0500 hours on 13th June and 1400 hours on 17th June 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 504242N 0011715W,
- (d) between 0800 hours and 2200 hours on 13th and 14th July 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 512815N 0000008W,

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(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).

- (e) between 0800 hours on 18th July and 1400 hours on 22nd July 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 522013N 0013549E,
- (f) between 0800 hours on 25th July and 1400 hours on 29th July 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 503823N 0021225W,
- (g) between 0800 hours on 21st August and 1400 hours on 26th August 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.25 nautical miles whose centre is at 512758N 0005953W,
- (h) between 0800 hours on 21st August and 1400 hours on 26th August 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.25 nautical miles whose centre is at 535202N 0012255W, and
- (i) between 0800 hours on 22nd August and 1400 hours on 26th August 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 532057N 0023710W.

(2) Regulation 3(1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft operating with the permission of the Festival Silver Commander, or to a balloon or kite.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

*David J Best*

Grade 7

Department for Transport

18th March 2019

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft systems in the vicinity of Middlesbrough, Donington Park, the Isle of Wight, Beccles, Lulworth Castle, Reading, Wetherby and Daresbury, by reason of the large numbers of persons attending music festivals during May to August 2019 (inclusive). The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted for reasons of public safety.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘unmanned aircraft’ by virtue of article 23 of, and Part 1 of Schedule 4 to, the Air Navigation Order 2016, includes remotely piloted aircraft and small unmanned aircraft. These aircraft types are commonly referred to as drones.

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) relating to the Restrictions of Flying stated in regulation 3(1)(a) the Festival Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07961 027663.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2) relating to the Restrictions of Flying stated in regulations 3(1)(b) and 3(1)(i) the Festival Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07595 676116.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2) relating to the Restrictions of Flying stated in regulation 3(1)(c), the Festival Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07900 928796.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2) relating to the Restrictions of Flying stated in regulations 3(1)(d) and 3(1)(g), the Festival Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07454 701420.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2) relating to the Restrictions of Flying stated in regulations 3(1)(e) and 3(1)(h), the Festival Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07900 928797.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2) relating to the Restrictions of Flying stated in regulation 3(1)(f), the Festival Silver Commander may be contacted on telephone number 07860 836207.

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 07917 614249.