

2022 No. 583

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Stonehenge)
Regulations 2022**

Made - - - - 25th May 2022

Coming into force - - 20th June 2022

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended gathering there of a large number of persons for the Summer and Winter Solstice events.

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) (Stonehenge) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 20th June 2022.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), no aircraft is to fly below 3,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 3 nautical miles whose centre is at 511044N 0014934W between—

- (a) 1600 hours on 20th June 2022 and 1000 hours on 21st June 2022, and
- (b) 2100 hours on 21st December 2022 and 1100 hours on 22nd December 2022.

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

- (a) operating by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the Helicopter Emergency Services, or
 - (ii) the National Police Air Service,
- (b) flying in accordance with—
 - (i) the permission of Wiltshire Police, or

(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST) in regulation 3(1)(a) and is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) in regulation (3)(1)(b).

- (ii) a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at MoD Boscombe Down, or
- (c) flying within the airspace notified as the Salisbury Plain Danger Areas if it does so with the permission of the Senior Air Operations Officer at Salisbury Plain Air Operations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

25th May 2022

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Stonehenge, Wiltshire during the summer and winter solstice events which are expected to be attended by a large gathering of persons on the 20th June 2022, 21st June 2022, 21st December 2022 and 22nd December 2022. Wiltshire Police has requested that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of Stonehenge during these periods, and this has been agreed by the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport for security and public safety reasons.

In relation to the permissions mentioned in regulation 3(2), Wiltshire Police may be contacted as notified and the Senior Air Operations Officer at Salisbury Plain Air Operations may be contacted on 01980 674729.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST) in regulation 3(1)(a) and is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time in regulation 3(1)(b).

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

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