STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 345

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (HM Dockyard, Portsmouth) Regulations 2023

Made -	-	-	-	21st March 2023
Coming into f	orce	-	-	3rd April 2023

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 security.

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (HM Dockyard, Portsmouth) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 3rd April 2023.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph 2, between 0800 hours on 3rd April 2023 and 2359 hours on 31st December 2023, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 504755N 0010652W,
- (b) 504827N 0010652W,
- (c) 504836N 0010621W,
- (d) 504832N 0010538W,
- (e) 504819N 0010529W,
- (f) 504802N 0010548W,
- (g) 504800N 0010623W, and
- (h) 504755N 0010652W.

⁽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) up to 02:00 hours on 29th October 2023, after which it is the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by HM Dockyard, Portsmouth.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

21st March 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of Portsmouth by reason of security from 3rd April 2023 to 31st December 2023. The Civil Aviation Authority considers that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of HM Dockyard, Portsmouth for reasons of security. This has been agreed with the Department for Transport.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which for the purpose of these Regulations is the one hour behind British Summer Time (BST) up to 02:00 hours GMT on 29th October 2023 after which it is same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), HM Dockyard, Portsmouth may be contacted as notified.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by a Briefing Sheet and Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr S J Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383216.

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