

2023 No. 583

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Download Festival,
Leicestershire) Regulations 2023**

Made - - - - 26th May 2023

Coming into force - - 7th June 2023

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended gathering there of a large number of persons.

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) (Download Festival, Leicestershire) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 7th June 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 0600 hours on 7th June 2023 and 0200 hours on 13th June 2023 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile centred at 524940N 0012235W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by Leicestershire Police.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

26th May 2023

David J Best
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(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).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of the Download Festival, Leicestershire by reason of the intended gathering there of a large number of persons at a music festival which is scheduled to be held there.

The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), Leicestershire Police may be contacted on telephone number 07557-867350.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr Stephen Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383281.