#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2023 No. 610

## CIVIL AVIATION

# The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Gunnersbury Park) Regulations 2023

 Made
 7th June 2023

 Coming into force
 11th August 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 in the vicinity of Gunnersbury Park, London.

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) (Gunnersbury Park) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 11th August 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 1400 hours on 11th August 2023 and 2200 hours on 13th August 2023 and between 1200 hours on 16th August 2023 and 2200 hours on 20th August 2023 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 550 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.2 nautical miles centred at 512943N 0001720W.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the event Airspace Co-ordinator.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best Grade 7 Department for Transport

7th June 2023

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

<sup>(</sup>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 Gunnersbury Park, London by reason of the large number of persons expected to attend two music festivals which are scheduled to be held there between 11th August 2023 and 13th August 2023 (inclusive) and between 16th August 2023 and 20th August 2023 (inclusive).

The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the festivals 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), the event Airspace Co-ordinator may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382471.