### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2024 No. 881

# **CIVIL AVIATION**

# The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh) Regulations 2024

Made	-	-	-	-	30th August 2024
Coming i	nto fe	orce	-	-	28th September 2024

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the holding of the Scottish Parliament 25th anniversary event due to take place there.

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) (Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh) Regulations 2024 and they come into force on 28th September 2024.

#### Interpretation

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

#### **Restricted airspace**

**3.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), for the period beginning with 0700 hours and ending with 1400 hours on 28th September 2024 no aircraft is to fly below 4,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles which is centred at 555710N 0031020W.

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

- (a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit,
- (b) making an approach to, or departing from, Edinburgh Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at Edinburgh Airport, or
- (c) operated by or on behalf of—
  - (i) the Police Service of Scotland,
  - (ii) The King's Helicopter Flight,
  - (iii) a member of the Royal Family,

<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).

- (iv) the Scottish Air Ambulance Service, or
- (v) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency for the purpose of Search and Rescue only.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

30th August 2024

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of the Scottish Parliament, Horse Wynd, Edinburgh, and Edinburgh City Centre due to the Scottish Parliament 25th anniversary event that is due to take place there on 28th September 2024.

At the request of the Police Scotland, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying should be restricted in the vicinity of that event for reasons of security and 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)(a), the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit may be contacted as notified.

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

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