

2025 No. 105

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Stonehenge)
Regulations 2025**

Made - - - - *31st January 2025*

Coming into force - - *20th June 2025*

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 intended gathering there of a large number of persons for the Summer Solstice Period.

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 2025 and they come into force on 20th June 2025.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), beginning at 1600 hours on 20th June 2025 and ending at 1000 hours on 21st June 2025 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 centred at 511044N 0014934W.

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

(a) operated by or on behalf of—

- (i) a Police Air Support Unit, or
- (ii) an Emergency Medical Service, or

(b) flying—

- (i) with the permission of Wiltshire Police,
- (ii) in accordance with a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at Ministry of Defence Boscombe Down, or

(a) S.I. 2016/765, as amended by S.I. 2024/990; there are other amending instruments, but none is relevant.

(b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

- (iii) 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

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Department for Transport

31st January 2025

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 solstice period when it is anticipated there will be a large gathering of persons there on 20th June 2025 and 21st June 2025.

At the request of Wiltshire Police, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of Stonehenge during the summer solstice period 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 permissions mentioned in regulation 3(2)(b), Wiltshire Police may be contacted on telephone 07929 660897 and the Senior Air Operations Officer at Salisbury Plain Air Operations may be contacted on telephone 01980 674710.

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.