

2025 No. 45

CIVIL AVIATION

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

Made - - - - *17th January 2025*

Coming into force - - *18th July 2025*

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 intending gathering there of a large number of persons at a music festival.

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) (Brighton) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 18th July 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 0900 hours and ending at 2259 hours on each of the ten days commencing on 18th July 2025 and concluding on 27th July 2025 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—

(a) a straight line joining successively the following points—

(i) 504911N 0000800W, and

(ii) 504904N 0000723W, and

(b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 0.21 nautical miles centred at 504904N 0000743W between 504904N 0000723W and 504911N 0000800W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the festival control team.

(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).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

17th January 2025

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Brighton, East Sussex by reason of the large gathering of persons expected to attend a music festival which is due to be held there on 18th July 2025 to 27th July 2025 (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 festival 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 festival control team 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 Alan Frew, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 32734.