

2017 No. 813

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Stokes Bay)
Regulations 2017**

Made - - - - - *24th July 2017*

Coming into force - - - - - *27th July 2017*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Stokes Bay, Hampshire by reason of the intended visit to the United Kingdom by the USS George H W Bush (CVN-77) that is scheduled to take place during the six days of 27th July to 1st August 2017.

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) (Stokes Bay) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 27th July 2017.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0500 hours on 27th July 2017 and 1130 hours on 1st August 2017, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile radius centred on 504607N 0011042W.

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

- (a) operated by or on behalf of the National Police Air Service,
- (b) operated by or on behalf of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services,
- (c) operated by or on behalf of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or
- (d) being operated with the permission of the Helicopter Co-ordinator at Her Majesty's Naval Base, Portsmouth.

(a) S.I. 2016/765.

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

24th July 2017

Sarah Bishop
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the airspace specified in regulation 3(1) in the vicinity of Stokes Bay, Hampshire during the visit of the USS George H W Bush (CVN-77) that is scheduled to take place there during the six days of 27th July to 1st August 2017. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the berthing location as part of the overall security arrangements.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘aircraft’ includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It also includes, by virtue of article 23 of that Order, any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(d), the Helicopter Co-ordinator at Her Majesty’s Naval Base Portsmouth may be contacted on telephone number 02392 722445.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Notice to Airmen (NOTAM).

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority may be made to Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 020 7453 6586.