

2021 No. 927

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Manchester)
Regulations 2021**

Made - - - - *6th August 2021*

Coming into force - - *2nd October 2021*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Manchester by reason of the intended holding of the Conservative Party Conference which is scheduled 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^(a).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Manchester) Regulations 2021 and come into force on 2nd October 2021.

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 0400 hours on 2nd October 2021 and 1500 hours on 6th October 2021 no aircraft is to fly below 3,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 532837N 0021446W.

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

- (a) operating by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service,
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Service,
- (b) making an approach to, or departure from Manchester International Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at Manchester International Airport or the Air Traffic Control Centre at Prestwick, or
- (c) flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Greater Manchester Police Service.

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

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best

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6th August 2021

Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Manchester during the Conservative Party Conference that is scheduled to take place there between 2nd and 6th October 2021 (inclusive). In view of the high visibility of this event and the presence of all members of Her Majesty's Government, at the request of the security services the Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted for reasons of safety and security.

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)(c), Chief Inspector Matthew Worrell of the Greater Manchester Police Service may be contacted on telephone number 07584 224912.

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

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