STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 491

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Swansea Bay) Regulations 2023

 Made
 28th April 2023

 Coming into force
 30th June 2023

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 holding there of flying displays associated with The Wales Air Show 2023.

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) (Swansea Bay) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 30th June 2023.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

- **3.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), on each of the three days beginning on 30th June 2023 and ending on 2nd July 2023 between 1100 hours and 1700 hours no aircraft is to fly below 8,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (a) 513800N 0040100W,
 - (b) 513800N 0035100W,
 - (c) 513400N 0035100W,
 - (d) 513400N 0040100W, and
 - (e) 513800N 0040100W.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by—
 - (a) the Wales Air Show flying display director, or
 - (b) Swansea Aerodrome air-ground service while in the Swansea Aerodrome Traffic Zone.

⁽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).

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28th April 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Swansea Bay, West Glamorgan during air displays that are scheduled to take place there between 30th June 2023 and 2nd July 2023 (inclusive).

A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the displays and therefore the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the displays 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)(a), the Wales Air Show flying display director may be contacted as notified.

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

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