STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 493

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Helicopter Flight) (No. 4) Regulations 2023

Made - - -

27th April 2023

Coming into force-

6th May 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 an intended helicopter flight.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 239 of the Air Navigation Order $2016(\mathbf{a})$.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Helicopter Flight) (No. 4) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 6th May 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), between 1640 hours and 1750 hours on 6th May 2023 no aircraft is to fly below—

- (a) 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—
 - (i) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (aa) 513052N 0004542W,
 - (bb) 512928N 0005513W,
 - (cc) 513447N 0005508W,
 - (dd) 513504N 0004854W, and
 - (ee) 513611N 0004133W, and
 - (ii) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 12 nautical miles centred at 512812N 0002713W between 513611N 0004133W and 513052N 0004542W,
- (b) 3,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

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

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

- (i) 512928N 0005513W,
- (ii) 512839N 0010002W,
- (iii) 513429N 0005957W,
- (iv) 513447N 0005508W, and
- (v) 512928N 0005513W, and
- (c) 4,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—
 - (i) straight lines joining successively the following points-
 - (aa) 512839N 0010002W,
 - (bb) 512737N 0010627W, and
 - (cc) 512253N 0020618W,
 - (ii) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 2.5 nautical miles centred at 512523N 0020646W between 512253N 0020618W and 512748N 0020727W, and
 - (iii) straight lines joining successively the following points-
 - (aa) 512748N 0020727W,
 - (bb) 513229N 0010801W,
 - (cc) 513429N 0005958W, and
 - (dd) 512839N 0010002W.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft-
 - (a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by—
 - (i) Farnborough LARS West, or
 - (ii) Royal Air Force Brize Norton,
 - (b) operated by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service,
 - (ii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency,
 - (iii) The Kings Helicopter Flight, or
 - (iv) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
 - (c) except insofar as flying is already prohibited by the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Raymill House, Lacock) (Restricted Area EG R106) Regulations 2021(**a**).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

27th April 2023

David J Best Grade 7 Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Greater London, Berkshire, Oxfordshire and Wiltshire by reason of an intended helicopter flight.

The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of the relevant areas of the helicopter flight for reasons of public safety.

⁽a) S.I. 2021/703.

These Regulations apply except insofar as flying is already prohibited by the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Raymill House, Lacock) (Restricted Area EG R106) Regulations 2021(**a**).

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)(a), Farnborough LARS West and Royal Air Force Brize Norton may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr S J Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383216.

⁽a) S.I. 2021/703.