STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 636

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Edinburgh Military Tattoo) Regulations 2023

Made - - - - 12th June 2023

Coming into force - - 3rd August 2023

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 intended gathering there of a large number of persons in the vicinity of Edinburgh.

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) (Edinburgh Military Tattoo) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 3rd August 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 1600 hours and 2359 hours on each of the 24 days commencing on 3rd August 2023 and ending on 26th August 2023 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (a) 555701N 0031147W,
 - (b) 555658N 0031137W,
 - (c) 555655N 0031137W,
 - (d) 555651N 0031149W,
 - (e) 555649N 0031209W,
 - (f) 555658N 0031217W, and
 - (g) 555701N 0031147W.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission granted by the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit.

⁽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).

12th June 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Edinburgh Castle for the Edinburgh Military Tattoo that is due to take place between 3rd August 2023 and 26th August 2023 (inclusive).

In view of the high visibility of this event and at the request of the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the Tattoo for reasons of public 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), the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit 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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