

**2023 No. 736**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Daresbury)  
Regulations 2023**

*Made* - - - - *30th June 2023*

*Coming into force* - - *24th 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 of a large number of persons at a festival which is due 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) (Daresbury) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 24th 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 0700 hours on 24th August 2023 and 1600 hours on 28th August 2023 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 700 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.1 nautical miles centred at 532049N 0023704W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the festival director or the festival co-ordinator.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

30th June 2023

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(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).

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Daresbury, Warrington, Cheshire by reason of the large gathering of persons expected to attend a festival which is due to be held there on 24th August 2023 to 28th August 2023 (inclusive).

The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the festival 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), the festival director and festival co-ordinator may be contacted as notified.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382471.