

2011 No. 2104

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Sculthorpe Airfield)
Regulations 2011**

Made - - - - - *24th August 2011*

Coming into force - - - - - *8th October 2011*

The Secretary of State deems it necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Sculthorpe Airfield, Norfolk by reason of the intended operation of an unlit and unmarked tethered balloon scheduled to take place in the period from 8th to 23rd October 2011.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 161 of the Air Navigation Order 2009(a).

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Sculthorpe Airfield) Regulations 2011 and come into force on 8th October 2011.

2. In regulation 3 all times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time.

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2)—

- (a) between 0600 hours and 1700 hours on each day beginning with 8th October and ending on 16th October 2011, and
- (b) between 0600 hours and 2100 hours on each day beginning with 17th October and ending on 23rd October 2011,

no aircraft is to fly below 4,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 525054N 0004538E.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying with the permission of Mr C Walton, Stratospheric Particle Injection for Climate Engineering Project Trials Adviser, University of Cambridge.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

John Parkinson
Head of Aviation Policy Development
Department for Transport

24th August 2011

(a) S.I. 2009/3015, to which there is an amendment that is not relevant to these Regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions of flying in airspace in the vicinity of Sculthorpe Airfield, Norfolk by reason of the use of an unlit and unmarked tethered balloon for a trial. The trial is scheduled to take place during the period from 8th to 23rd October 2011. As the operation does not comply with the requirements of rules 52 and 53 of the Rules of the Air Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/734), Cambridge University Engineering Department has requested that restrictions be imposed on flying in the vicinity of Sculthorpe Airport by reason of flight safety. This has been agreed with the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), Mr C Walton, Stratospheric Particle Injection for Climate Engineering Project Trials Adviser, may be contacted through the Cambridge University Engineering Department on telephone 07825 845056.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular and NOTAM.

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