

2011 No. 218

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (West Wales Airport)
Regulations 2011**

Made - - - - *1st February 2011*

Coming into force - - *28th March 2011*

The Secretary of State deems it necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of West Wales Airport, Aberporth by reason of trial and demonstration flights by Unmanned Aircraft that are scheduled to take place during the period from 28th March to 28th 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) (West Wales Airport) Regulations 2011 and come into force on 28th March 2011.

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

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) between 0700 hours and 1700 hours on each day from Monday to Friday inclusive beginning with 28th March and ending on 28th October 2011, no aircraft is to fly below 5,000 feet above mean sea level within the area of a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles whose centre is at 520653N 0043334W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying—

- (a) with the permission of the Chief Constable of the Dyfed-Powys Police;
- (b) in accordance with a permission issued by the airport manager of West Wales Airport;
- (c) in the service of HM Coastguard.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

1st February 2011

J Parkinson
Head of Aviation Policy Development
Department for Transport

(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 on flying in the airspace specified in Regulation 3 during trial and demonstration flights by Unmanned Aircraft that are scheduled to take place in the vicinity of West Wales Airport in the period from 28th March to 28th October 2011.

In order to protect aircraft in the local area from the possibility of un-commanded deviation in flight by Unmanned Aircraft, the airport manager at West Wales Airport has requested that flying restrictions be imposed in the vicinity of the airport on flight safety grounds.

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

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