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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Silverstone and
Turweston) Regulations 2015**

Made - - - - - *13th February 2015*

Coming into force - - - - - *4th July 2015*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Silverstone motor-racing circuit and Heliport and Turweston Aerodrome by reason of the intended gathering of a large number of persons at the British Grand Prix international race car meeting scheduled to take place there on 4th and 5th July 2015.

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Silverstone and Turweston) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 4th July 2015.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) all times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time^(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), during each of the periods specified in regulation 5 no aircraft is to fly in any of the airspace below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded successively by—

- (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 520323N 0005357W,
 - (ii) 515958N 0010239W, and
 - (iii) 520055N 0010339W,
- (b) the anticlockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 520227N 0010544W between 520055N 0010339W and 520416N 0010707W, and
- (c) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 520416N 0010707W,

(a) S.I. 2009/3015, to which there are amendments that are not relevant to these Regulations.

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

- (ii) 520501N 0010754W,
- (iii) 520815N 0005940W,
- (iv) 520457N 0005357W, and
- (v) 520323N 0005357W.

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

- (a) the commander of the aircraft, before entering the airspace specified in paragraph (1), informs the air traffic control unit at Silverstone Heliport of the position, level and track of the aircraft,
- (b) the aircraft flies in accordance with a clearance issued by that air traffic control unit, and
- (c) the commander of the aircraft maintains a continuous radiotelephony watch on the published Silverstone Heliport aeronautical radiotelephony frequency.

4.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and during each of the periods specified in regulation 5 no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 520227N 0010544W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying with the permission of the Turweston Aerodrome Flight Information Service Unit.

5. The periods referred to in regulations 3(1) and 4(1) are—

- (a) 0700 hours to 1800 hours on 4th July 2015, and
- (b) 0600 hours to 1900 hours on 5th July 2015.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Kate Jennings
Head of Aviation Policy Implementation
Department for Transport

13th February 2015

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of Silverstone motor-racing circuit and Heliport and Turweston Aerodrome on the occasion of the British Grand Prix international race car meeting that is scheduled to take place on 4th and 5th July 2015.

A significant number of helicopters will be engaged in the transport of spectators to and from the event. At the equivalent occasion in 2014 there were over 2,000 movements at Silverstone Heliport, as well as a large number of fixed-wing aircraft movements at Turweston. Very large crowds will also be attracted to the event. Accordingly, in agreement with the Department for Transport, the Civil Aviation Authority's Safety and Airspace Regulation Group considers that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the displays for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 5 are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

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

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