

2017 No. 646

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Royal International
Air Tattoo, RAF Fairford) Regulations 2017**

Made - - - - *5th May 2017*

Coming into force - - *12th July 2017*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of RAF Fairford, Gloucestershire, by reason of the intended holding of flying displays associated with the Royal International Air Tattoo 2017 event.

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) (Royal International Air Tattoo, RAF Fairford) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 12th July 2017.

Interpretation

2. In regulations 3(1), (2) and (3) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4), between 0700 hours and 1900 hours on each day beginning with 12th July and ending on 16th July 2017, no aircraft is to fly below Flight Level 85 within the area bounded by—

- (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 514433N 0020502W,
 - (ii) 514733N 0014405W,
 - (iii) 515006N 0012925W, and
- (b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 5.5 nautical miles whose centre is at 514513N 0013334W between 515006N 0012925W and 514737N 0012537W,
- (c) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 514737N 0012537W,
 - (ii) 514834N 0011958W,

(a) S.I. 2016/765.

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

- (iii) 514445N 0011816W,
- (iv) 513621N 0012737W,
- (v) 514124N 0021027W, and

(d) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 4.6 nautical miles whose centre is at 514005N 0020322W between 514124N 0021027W and 514433N 0020502W.

(2) Subject to paragraph (4), between 0700 hours and 1900 hours on each day beginning with 12th July and ending on 16th July 2017 no aircraft is to fly below Flight Level 65 within the area bounded by—

(a) straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (i) 514124N 0021027W,
- (ii) 513621N 0012737W,
- (iii) 513600N 0012800W,
- (iv) 513500N 0014600W,
- (v) 513530N 0020341W, and

(b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 4.6 nautical miles whose centre is at 514005N 0020322W between 513530N 0020341W and 514124N 0021027W.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), between 0800 hours and 1600 hours on 17th July 2017 no aircraft is to fly below 5,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (i) 514343N 0015711W,
- (ii) 514410N 0013753W,
- (iii) 513732N 0013728W,
- (iv) 513747N 0015652W and
- (v) 514343N 0015711W.

(4) Paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) do not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with a clearance or permission issued by the air traffic control unit at RAF Brize Norton.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

5th May 2017

Sarah Bishop
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of RAF Fairford, Gloucestershire, during the arrival, rehearsals, displays and departure of aircraft participating in the Royal International Air Tattoo 2017, organised by the Royal Air Force Charitable Trust Enterprises and scheduled to take place there between 12th and 17th July 2017.

The flying displays will include flypasts and high speed aerobatics by British and foreign military and civil aircraft and it is anticipated that a large number of members of the public will attend as spectators. A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the display and the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the displays for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3 are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to regulation 3, the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It also includes, by virtue of article 23 of that Order, any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute.

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

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