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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Aintree) Regulations
2022**

Made - - - - 10th February 2022

Coming into force - - 7th April 2022

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Aintree Racecourse, Merseyside by reason of the intended gathering there of large numbers of persons associated with the Grand National Festival 2022.

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) (Aintree) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 7th April 2022.

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 0730 hours and 1830 hours on each day beginning on 7th April 2022 and ending on 9th April 2022, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 532827N 0025622W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Operations Manager at Aintree Racecourse.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

10th February 2022

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Department for Transport

(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 Aintree Racecourse, Merseyside by reason of the intended gathering there of large numbers of persons at the Grand National Festival 2022 event on the three days between 7th and 9th April 2022 (inclusive). The Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that unmanned flying should be restricted 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 Operations Manager at Aintree Racecourse may be contacted as notified.

Full details of the 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 S J Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383216.