

2023 No. 931

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Royal Air Force
Waddington) (No. 7) Regulations 2023**

Made - - - - 23rd August 2023

Coming into force - - 4th October 2023

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended holding there of flying display rehearsals.

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 Air Force Waddington) (No. 7) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 4th October 2023.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2)—

- (a) between 0800 hours and 1500 hours on each of the three days commencing on 4th October 2023 and ending on 6th October 2023 no aircraft is to fly below 9,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 5 nautical miles centred at 531001N 0003126W, and
- (b) between 0730 hours and 1530 hours on each weekday commencing on 16th October 2023 and ending on 27th October 2023 and between 0830 hours and 1630 hours on each weekday commencing on 30th October 2023 and ending on 30th November 2023 no aircraft is to fly below 9,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 5 nautical miles centred at 531001N 0003136W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying under the direction of Waddington Radar within the Lincolnshire Terminal Air Traffic Control Centre (TATCC) at Royal Air Force Coningsby.

(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) from 1 a.m. on the last Sunday in March and is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) from 2 a.m. on the last Sunday in October.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best

Grade 7

23rd August 2023

Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Royal Air Force Waddington, Lincolnshire during flying display rehearsals by the Royal Air Force Aerobatic Team, the Red Arrows, which are due to take place there in October 2023 and November 2023.

Many aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the rehearsals and therefore the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the rehearsals 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) from 1 a.m. on the last Sunday in March and is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) from 2 a.m. on the last Sunday in October.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), Royal Air Force Coningsby may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this 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 David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382471.