

2024 No. 222

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Southport)
Regulations 2024**

Made - - - - - *26th February 2024*

Coming into force - - - *13th July 2024*

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

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) (Southport) Regulations 2024 and they come into force on 13th July 2024.

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 1000 hours and 1730 hours on each day of 13th July 2024 and 14th July 2024 no aircraft is to fly below 5,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2.3 nautical miles centred at 533921N 0030117W.

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

(a) operated by or on behalf of—

- (i) the National Police Air Service,
- (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
- (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or

(b) flying with the permission of the Southport Airshow flying display director.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

26th February 2024

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(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 flying in the vicinity of Southport, Merseyside during flying displays that are due to take place there on 13th July 2024 and 14th July 2024.

A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the displays and therefore 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(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

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

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(b), the Southport Airshow flying display director may be contacted as notified.

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr Alan Frew, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 0330 138 2734.