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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Jet Formation
Display Teams) Regulations 2012**

Made - - - - - *10th January 2012*
Coming into force - - - *6th March 2012*

The Secretary of State deems it necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of the places specified in column 1 of the Schedule by reason of the intended holding of flying display rehearsals by a jet formation display team.

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

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Jet Formation Display Teams) Regulations 2012 and come into force on 6th March 2012.

2. In regulation 3 all times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time.

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), during the period between 0700 hours and 2200 hours no aircraft is to fly within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles whose centre is at the point specified in column 2 of the Schedule, below the altitude and on the day specified respectively in columns 3 and 4 of the Schedule.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying within controlled airspace or an aerodrome traffic zone in respect of which there is an appropriate air traffic control unit if it flies in accordance with the permission of that unit.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

J Parkinson
Head of Aviation Policy Development
Department for Transport

10th January 2012

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

SCHEDULE

Regulation 3

Column 1 Place	Column 2 Area (Centre of Circle)	Column 3 Altitude (Above Mean Sea Level)	Column 4 Date
Humberside Linton-on-Ouse Valley Northampton (Sywell)	533442N 0002054W 540255N 0011517W 531511N 0043220W 521817N 0004733W	8,300 Feet 8,100 Feet 8,100 Feet 8,400 Feet	6 March 2012 7 March 2012 8 March 2012 9 March 2012

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the locations and airspace specified in the Schedule during flying display rehearsals by the Red Arrows jet formation aerobatic display team, which are due to take place during the period from 6th to 9th March 2012.

Restricted Airspace (Temporary) is proposed for the relevant sites in the UK for reasons of public safety and to protect the Red Arrows display team. Formation aerobatic rehearsals require great concentration and skill both from the leader and the other members of the formation. The pilots cannot be expected to make unscheduled violent changes in speed, altitude or direction in order to avoid other conflicting aircraft. Any distraction caused by aircraft conflicting with the flight path of the formation could result in a collision between display aircraft, or between display aircraft and other aircraft that had entered the display area.

In order to protect the display aircraft and other air traffic, it is considered that access by other aircraft to the airspace within which the display team will rehearse should be restricted. The Regulations contain details of the location and area of the rehearsals. Details will be published by AIC and NOTAM; periods on each particular day outside the actual rehearsal times will be subject to an exemption applying to all other aircraft.

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