STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 533

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Weston Park) Regulations 2016

 Made
 25th April 2016

 Coming into force
 19th August 2016

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Weston Park, Staffordshire by reason of the gathering of a large number of persons at the V Festival 2016.

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Weston Park) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 19th August 2016.

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 0500 hours on 19th August and 1600 hours on 22nd August 2016, no aircraft is to fly below 3,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.5 nautical miles whose centre is at 524110N 0021700W.
 - (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—
 - (a) operated by or on behalf of the National Police Air Service,
 - (b) operated by or on behalf of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
 - (c) flying in accordance with the permission of Superintendent Elliott Sharrard-Williams or Chief Inspector Amanda Davies or Police Constable Wayne Elden or Police Constable Neil Devesey of the Staffordshire Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Tim May
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

25th April 2016

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

⁽b) In these Regulation 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 airspace specified in regulation 3(1) in the vicinity of Weston Park, Staffordshire, by reason of the V Festival 2016 that is scheduled to take place there from 19th to 22nd August 2016, inclusive. A large gathering of people will attend this event on each day and therefore the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the festival for reasons of public safety.

In relation to regulation 3, the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part A of Schedule 3 to the Air Navigation Order 2009. It also includes, by virtue of article 253(3) 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.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the authority mentioned in regulation 3(2)(c), Superintendent Elliott Sharrard-Williams, Chief Inspector Amanda Davies, Police Constable Wayne Elden and Police Constable Neil Devesey may be contacted on telephone numbers 07792 422291, 07891 512206, 07866 581241 and 07970 738783

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular and NOTAM.

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority may be made to Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, telephone number 020 7453 6586.