

2019 No. 617

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (County Ground,
Taunton) Regulations 2019**

Made - - - - *18th March 2019*

Coming into force - - *8th June 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of The County Ground, Taunton, by reason of the intended gathering of large numbers of persons attending the 2019 Cricket World Cup matches which are to be held there in June 2019.

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) (County Ground, Taunton) Regulations 2019 and come into force on 8th June 2019.

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 and 2000 hours on each of 8th, 12th and 17th June 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 510108N 0030603W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft operating with the permission of Inspector Robert Millican of the Avon and Somerset Police or to a balloon or a kite.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

18th March 2019

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(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(b) In these Regulations 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 The County Ground, Taunton, by reason of the large numbers of persons attending the 2019 Cricket World Cup matches which are going to be held there during June 2019. At the request of the Avon and Somerset Police, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted for reasons of public safety and security.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘unmanned aircraft’ by virtue of article 23 of, and Part 1 of Schedule 4 to, the Air Navigation Order 2016, includes remotely piloted aircraft and small unmanned aircraft. These aircraft types are commonly referred to as drones.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), Inspector Robert Millican of the Avon and Somerset Police may be contacted on telephone number 07889 659941.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice To Airmen (NOTAM).

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