STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 790

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Music Festivals) Regulations 2021

 Made
 2nd July 2021

 Coming into force 21st July 2021

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft by reason of the intended gathering of large numbers of persons at music festivals in the vicinity of various sites in England.

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) (Music Festivals) Regulations 2021 and come into force on 21st July 2021.

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—
 - (a) 0900 hours and 1900 hours on each day beginning on 21st July 2021 and ending on 26th July 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,070 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 522032N 0013601E,
 - (b) 0700 hours on 27th July 2021 and 1300 hours on 2nd August 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,440 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 503831N 0021244W,
 - (c) 0900 hours on 5th August 2021 and 1600 hours on 9th August 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,640 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 515139N 0013005W,
 - (d) 1300 hours on 25th August 2021 and 1600 hours on 30th August 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,280 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

⁽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).

- (i) 512858N 0010127W,
- (ii) 512801N 0005827W,
- (iii) 512716N 0005905W,
- (iv) 512813N 0010203W, and
- (v) 512858N 0010127W,
- (e) 0900 hours on 25th August 2021 and 1600 hours on 30th August 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,370 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.2 nautical miles whose centre is at 535146N 0012242W,
- (f) 0800 hours on 26th August 2021 and 1600 hours on 30th August 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,280 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.9 nautical miles whose centre is at 532036N 0023707W,
- (g) 1000 hours on 27th August 2021 and 2200 hours on 30th August 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.3 nautical miles whose centre is at 512729N 0000854W,
- (h) 1000 hours on 10th September 2021 and 2200 hours on 12th September 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,380 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.4 nautical miles whose centre is at 512520N 0000421W.
- (i) 1000 hours on 10th September 2021 and 2200 hours on 11th September 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,340 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.3 nautical miles whose centre is at 533141N 0021531W.
- (j) 0400 hours on 16th September 2021 and 1400 hours on 20th September 2021 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 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 504318N 0011557W, and
- (k) 1000 hours on 16th September 2021 and 2200 hours on 19th September 2021 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,300 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 532429N 0030025W,
 - (ii) 532435N 0025950W,
 - (iii) 532408N 0025932W,
 - (iv) 532401N 0030008W, and
 - (v) 532429N 0030025W.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with the permission of the Festival Airspace Co-ordinator.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best Grade 7 Department for Transport

2nd July 2021

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Beccles (regulation 3(1)(a)), Lulworth Castle (regulation 3(1)(b)), Cornbury Park Oxfordshire (regulation 3(1)(c)), Reading (regulation 3(1)(d)), Bramham Estate Leeds (regulation 3(1)(e)), Daresbury Estate Cheshire (regulation 3(1)(f)), Clapham Common London (regulation 3(1)(g)), Crystal Palace Park London (regulation 3(1)(h)), Heaton Park Manchester (regulation 3(1)(i)), Isle of Wight (regulation 3(1)(j)), and Pier Head Liverpool (regulation 3(1)(k)) by reason of the large numbers of persons attending the music festivals which are scheduled to be held there during July, August and September 2021. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted at each festival 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).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), the Festival Airspace Co-ordinator may be contacted on telephone number 03302210662.

Full details of the 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 S J Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383216.