

2022 No. 755

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (SS Richard Montgomery) Regulations 2022

Made - - - - 4th July 2022

Coming into force - - 21st August 2022

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of work due to be carried out there on the wreck of the SS Richard Montgomery.

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) (SS Richard Montgomery) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 21st August 2022.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), from 0600 hours on 21st August 2022 until 1800 hours on 15th November 2022 no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 512758N 0004712E.

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

- (a) operating by or on behalf of the—
 - (i) National Police Service,
 - (ii) Helicopter Emergency Services,
 - (iii) Maritime and Coastguard Agency for the purpose of search and rescue, or
 - (iv) Salvage and Marine Operations unit of the Ministry of Defence, or
- (b) operating under a prior permission issued by the Secretary of State.

(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) until 0100 hours on 30th October 2022 and is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) from 0100 hours on 30th October 2022.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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Department for Transport

4th July 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of the wreck of the SS Richard Montgomery near Sheerness, Kent during safety work that is scheduled to take place there beginning on the 21st August 2022 and ending on the 15th November 2022. The Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the vessel whilst this work is being undertaken 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) until 0100 hours on 30th October 2022 and is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) from 0100 hours on 30th October 2022.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(b), the Secretary of State may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Briefing Sheet (BS) 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.