

**2011 No. 2767**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Woodbridge)  
Regulations 2011**

*Made* - - - - - *21st October 2011*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *5th December 2011*

The Secretary of State deems it necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Woodbridge, Suffolk during the period from 5th to 9th December 2011.

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) (Woodbridge) Regulations 2011 and come into force on 5th December 2011.

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

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0830 hours and 1700 hours on each day beginning with 5th December and ending on 9th December 2011, no aircraft is to fly below 6,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical mile whose centre is at 520520N 0012502E.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at Wattisham Flying Station.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

*J Parkinson*  
Head of Aviation Policy Development  
Department for Transport

21st October 2011

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

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace specified in regulation 3 in the vicinity of Woodbridge, Suffolk, during a trial of an electronic countermeasure device that is being carried out on behalf of the Ministry of Defence by Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (DSTL). The trial will take place at the disused airfield at Woodbridge from 5th to 9th December 2011. There is potential for the device to cause interference with aircraft radios, or navigation equipment. DSTL, in conjunction with the Civil Aviation Authority's Directorate of Airspace Policy, have ascertained that there is no risk of interference to such equipment outside a specified range and altitude. To ensure that no aircraft are affected by the equipment, DSTL have requested the Department for Transport to impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of the trial on safety and security grounds; this request has been agreed with the CAA.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by NOTAM.

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority can be made to Mr R E J Gratton, DAP Airspace Specialist 6, telephone 020 7453 6586.