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CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (The Palace of Holyroodhouse) Regulations 2017

Made - - - - *9th May 2017*

Coming into force - - *4th July 2017*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of The Palace of Holyroodhouse, Edinburgh by reason of the holding of a Royal Garden party there.

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) (The Palace of Holyroodhouse) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 4th July 2017.

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 1330 hours and 1800 hours on 4th July 2017, no aircraft is to fly below 2,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile whose centre is at 555710N 0031019W.

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

- (a) operated by or on behalf of Police Scotland,
- (b) operated by or on behalf of the Scottish Air Ambulance Service,
- (c) operated by or on behalf of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency,
- (d) making an approach to, or departure from, Edinburgh Airport whilst under the control of Edinburgh Airport Air Traffic Control, or
- (e) flying in accordance with the permission of the Police Scotland Air Accidents and Incidents Advisor.

(a) S.I. 2016/765.

(b) In these Regulations Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

9th May 2017

Sarah Bishop
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the airspace above Edinburgh during the holding of a Royal Garden party at The Palace of Holyroodhouse that is scheduled to take place there on 4th July 2017. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that, at the request of the Police Scotland, flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety and security.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘aircraft’ includes aircraft as classified in Schedule 4, Part, 1 to the Air Navigation Order 2016 and also includes, by virtue of article 23 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 for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(e), the Police Scotland Air Accidents and Incidents Advisor may be contacted on telephone number 07717 720591.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 020 7453 6586.