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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Alcester)
Regulations 2018**

Made - - - - - *15th February 2018*

Coming into force - - - - - *19th May 2018*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Alcester, Warwickshire by reason of the holding of the Midlands Air Festival.

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) (Alcester) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 19th May 2018.

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 1000 hours and 1630 hours on 19th and 20th May 2018, no aircraft is to fly below 5,300 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2.5 nautical miles whose centre is at 521142N 0015402W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying with the permission of the Midlands Air Festival flying display director.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

15th February 2018

Sarah Bishop
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

(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 flying in airspace in the vicinity of Ragley Hall, Alcester, Warwickshire, during air displays for the general public that are scheduled to take place there on 19th and 20th May 2018. A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the displays and therefore the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the displays for reasons of public safety.

In relation to regulation 3, the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It 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 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), the Midlands Air Festival flying display director may be contacted on telephone number 07950 967282.

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.