

**2022 No. 134**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Cheltenham)  
Regulations 2022**

*Made* - - - - *14th February 2022*

*Coming into force* - - *15th March 2022*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire by reason of the gathering of a large number of persons at the Cheltenham 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) (Cheltenham) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 15th March 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), between 1000 hours and 2000 hours on each day beginning with 15th March 2022 and ending on 18th March 2022 no aircraft is to fly below 3,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded successively by—

- (a) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 3 nautical miles centred on 515533N 0020316W from 515515N 0020805W to 515331N 0020649W, and
- (b) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles centred on 515339N 0021002W from 515331N 0020649W to 515515N 0020805W.

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

- (a) making an approach to or departure from Runway 04/22 or Runway 09/27 at Gloucestershire Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at that airport,
- (b) operating by or on behalf of the National Police Air Service,
- (c) operating by or on behalf of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Service, or

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(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

(d) flying under the control of the air traffic control unit at Cheltenham Heliport.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

*David J Best*

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14th February 2022

Department for Transport

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire on the occasion of the Cheltenham Festival which is scheduled to take place there from 15th to 18th March 2022 (inclusive). In view of the significant number of helicopters expected to operate from the temporary heliport at Cheltenham racecourse, as well the large number of people due to attend the event, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

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

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