

**2022 No. 219**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

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

*Made* - - - - *3rd March 2022*

*Coming into force* - - *17th March 2022*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict unmanned flying in the area specified in regulation 3 by reason of the intended holding of the Conservative Party Conference which is scheduled to take place 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) (Blackpool) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 17th 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 0500 hours on 17th March 2022 and 2359 hours on 19th March 2022 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 535012N 0030652W,
- (b) 535001N 0030120W,
- (c) 534609N 0030118W,
- (d) 534612N 0030634W, and
- (e) 535012N 0030652W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the issued by the Event Airspace Bronze Commander.

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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).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

3rd March 2022

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations impose restrictions on unmanned flying in the vicinity of Blackpool during the Conservative Party Conference that is scheduled to take place there between 17th and 19th March 2022 (inclusive). In view of the high visibility of this event and the presence of all members of Her Majesty's Government, at the request of the security services the Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that unmanned flying should be restricted for reasons of public safety and security.

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

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), the Event Airspace Bronze Commander may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

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