

2022 No. 225

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Loch Long and the Firth of Clyde) Regulations 2022

Made - - - - *4th March 2022*

Coming into force - - *12th March 2022*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3 by reason of the intended movement of the aircraft carrier HMS Queen Elizabeth.

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) (Loch Long and the Firth of Clyde) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 12th March 2022.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3 the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4), between 0400 hours on 12th March 2022 and 2359 hours on 20th March 2022 no aircraft is to fly below 6,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—

- (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 555120N 0044342W,
 - (ii) 553451N 0045115W,
 - (iii) 553859N 0051341W,
 - (iv) 555753N 0050641W,
 - (v) 560339N 0050602W,
 - (vi) 561123N 0045747W,
- (b) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles, the centre of which is at 560749N 0044907W between 561123N 0045747W and 560204N 0045203W, and

(a) S.I. 2016/765.

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

- (c) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles, the centre of which is at 555716N 0044530W between 560204N 0045203W and 555120N 0044342W.
- (2) Subject to paragraph (4), between 0400 hours on 12th March 2022 and 2359 hours on 20th March 2022 no aircraft is to fly below 6,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles, the centre of which is at 560749N 0044907W.
- (3) Subject to paragraph (4), between 0400 hours on 12th March 2022 and 2359 hours on 20th March 2022 no aircraft is to fly below 6,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—
 - (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 560411N 0044039W,
 - (ii) 560232N 0043135W,
 - (iii) 555142N 0043114W,
 - (iv) 555120N 0044342W,
 - (b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles, the centre of which is at 555716N 0044530W between 555120N 0044342W and 560204N 0045203W, and
 - (c) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles, the centre of which is at 560749N 0044907W between 560204N 0045203W and 560411N 0044039W.
- (4) Paragraphs (1) to (3) do not apply to any—
 - (a) aircraft operating in the service of—
 - (i) Police Scotland,
 - (ii) the Scottish Ambulance Services, or
 - (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency for the purposes of Search and Rescue only,
 - (b) aircraft flying in accordance with a permission granted by the Police Scotland Air Cell, or
 - (c) scheduled aircraft en-route to or departing from Glasgow Airport whilst under the control of NATS Glasgow Air Traffic Control.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best
Grade 7

4th March 2022

Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Loch Long and the Firth of Clyde by reason of the intended movement of the aircraft carrier HMS Queen Elizabeth that is scheduled to take place there between 12th March 2022 and 20th March 2022 (inclusive). 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 and security.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(4)(b) the Police Scotland Co-ordinator at Glasgow Airport may be contacted on telephone number 01786 895840 or by email OSDAviationSafety@scotland.police.uk.

The times mentioned in regulation 3 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 Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

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