

2023 No. 614

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Lytham St Annes)
Regulations 2023**

Made - - - - *7th June 2023*

Coming into force - - *28th June 2023*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended gathering of a large number of persons at a festival which is due 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) (Lytham St Annes) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 28th June 2023.

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 1500 hours on 28th June 2023 and 2300 hours on 2nd July 2023 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,050 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.5 nautical miles centred at 534408N 0025428W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Lancashire Constabulary.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

7th June 2023

David J Best
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Department for Transport

(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(b) 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 the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Lytham St Annes, Lancashire by reason of the large gathering of persons expected to attend a festival which is scheduled to be held there on 28th June 2023 to 2nd July 2023 (inclusive).

At the request of the Lancashire Constabulary, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the festival for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), Lancashire Constabulary may be contacted on telephone number 07866 788727 or 07866 787280.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382471.