

2024 No. 145

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Birmingham)
Regulations 2024**

Made - - - - 13th February 2024

Coming into force - - 25th May 2024

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 intending holding there of the Birmingham Pride 2024 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) (Birmingham) Regulations 2024 and they come into force on 25th May 2024.

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 0800 hours on 25th May 2024 and 2259 hours on 26th May 2024 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 900 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.8 nautical miles centred at 522835N 0015346W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the West Midlands Police Bronze Commander or the West Midlands Police Counter Drone Tactical Advisors.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

13th February 2024

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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 Birmingham City Centre during the Birmingham Pride 2024 festival that is due to take place there on 25th May 2024 and 26th May 2024.

At the request of the West Midlands Police, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the event location for reasons of public safety and security.

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 permissions mentioned in regulation 3(2), the West Midlands Police Bronze Commander and the West Midlands Police Counter Drone Tactical Advisors may be contacted as notified.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr Alan Frew, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382734.