#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2025 No. 178

## CIVIL AVIATION

# The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Leicester Air Race) Regulations 2025

*Made - - - - 18th February 2025* 

Coming into force - - 21st June 2025

The Secretary of State has decided that it necessary is in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended holding there of a Royal Aero Club Air Race.

The Secretary of State makes these 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) (Leicester Air Race) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 21st June 2025.

## Interpretation

**2.** In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(**b**).

## Restricted airspace

- 3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), beginning at 1045 hours and ending at 1545 hours on 21st June 2025 and beginning at 0945 hours and ending at 1445 hours on 22nd June 2025 no 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) 523849N 0010151W,
  - (b) 523941N 0005843W,
  - (c) 523809N 0005613W,
  - (d) 523512N 0010040W,
  - (e) 523551N 0010329W, and
  - (f) 523849N 0010151W.
  - (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to an aircraft—
    - (a) flying with the permission of—

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 2016/765, as amended by S.I. 2024/990; there are other amending instruments, but none is relevant.

<sup>(</sup>b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

- (i) the Leicester Aerodrome air-ground service, or
- (ii) the Royal Aero Club Records, Racing and Rally Association Race Officials, or
- (b) operated by or on behalf of—
  - (i) a Police Air Support Unit,
  - (ii) an Emergency Medical Service, or
  - (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best Grade 7 Department for Transport

18th February 2025

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Leicester Aerodrome, by reason of the intended holding there of a Royal Aero Club Air Race on 21st June 2025 and 22nd June 2025.

A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the Air Race and therefore 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 one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permissions mentioned in regulation 3(2)(a), the Leicester Aerodrome air-ground service and the Royal Aero Club Records, Racing and Rally Association Race Officials may be contacted as notified.

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

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