

2018 No. 1416

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Thames Estuary)
(Emergency) Regulations 2018**

Made - - - - at 8.45 p.m. on 21st December 2018

Coming into force - - - - with immediate effect

The Secretary of State for a reason affecting the public interest deems it necessary to restrict flying in the area specified in the Schedule by reason of an emergency having arisen in that area.

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) (Thames Estuary) (Emergency) Regulations 2018 and come into force with immediate effect.

Restricted airspace

2. No aircraft is to fly below 3,500 feet above mean sea level over the area specified in Column 1 of the Schedule, being an area bounded by a circle of the radius specified in Column 2 and centred on the position specified in Column 3.

3. These Regulations do not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with directions given by Ministry of Defence “A” Block.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

At 8.45 p.m. on 21st December 2018

Graham Howard
Executive Officer
Department for Transport

(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Table 1

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>
Specified area	Radius of circle	Position of centre of circle (latitude and longitude)
Thames Estuary	8 nautical miles	513030N 0012740E

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions of an emergency nature on flying in the area specified in the Schedule. They are intended to be of temporary duration and will be revoked as soon as the emergency in question has passed.