

2019 No. 999

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (London to
Portsmouth) Regulations 2019**

Made - - - - *30th May 2019*

Coming into force - - *5th June 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of a route between London and Portsmouth, Hampshire by reason of the intended visit by a Head of State.

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) (London to Portsmouth) Regulations 2019 and come into force on 5th June 2019.

Interpretation

2. In regulations 3(1) and 4(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time^(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0845 hours and 1000 hours on 5th June 2019, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 512013N 0003800W,
- (b) 512840N 0001850W,
- (c) 512014N 0001902W, and
- (d) 512013N 0003800W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—

- (a) making an approach to, or departing from—
 - (i) London Heathrow Airport whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick or the air traffic control unit at London Heathrow Airport, or
 - (ii) London Heliport whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick or the air traffic control unit at London Heliport,

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

(b) In these Regulations, Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

- (b) operated by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service,
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services,
 - (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or
 - (iv) The Queen’s Helicopter Flight, or
- (c) operated with the permission of the Metropolitan Police Service.

4.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0845 hours and 1000 hours on 5th June 2019, no aircraft is to fly below 5,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—

- (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 505003N 0005349W,
 - (ii) 512018N 0001245W,
 - (iii) 512013N 0003800W
 - (iv) 505448N 0010440W,
- (b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 8 nautical miles centred on 504650N 0010521W, from 505448N 0010440W to 505003N 0005349W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—

- (a) making an approach to, or departing from, Southampton Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at Southampton Airport,
- (b) flying with a clearance issued by—
 - (i) the London Terminal Control Centre at Swanwick, or
 - (ii) the air traffic control unit at Farnborough airport,
- (c) operated by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service,
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services,
 - (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or
 - (iv) The Queen’s Helicopter Flight, or
- (d) operated with the permission of the Metropolitan Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

30th May 2019

Sarah Bishop
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations restrict flying in an area of southwest London and Surrey (regulation 3) and between Ockham, Surrey, and Portsmouth, Hampshire (regulation 4) on the occasion of a visit by a Head of State which is scheduled to take place on 5th June 2019.

As part of the overall security arrangements for the visit, the Metropolitan Police considers it is in the public interest that flying should be restricted along a route between central London and Portsmouth, Hampshire in the interests of public safety and security. This has been agreed with the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport.

In relation to regulations 3 and 4, the term ‘aircraft’ includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It also includes, by virtue of article 23 of that Order,

any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute.

The times mentioned in regulations 3(1) and 4(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permissions mentioned in regulations 3(2)(c) and 4(2)(d), the Metropolitan Police Service may be contacted at restrictedairspace@met.police.uk.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Notice To Airmen (NOTAM).

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