### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 2024 No. 812

## **CIVIL AVIATION**

# The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Helicopter Flights) Regulations 2024

Made -	-	-	-	22nd July 2024
Coming into j	force	-	-	26th July 2024

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the areas specified in regulation 3 by reason of two intended helicopter flights.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 239 of the Air Navigation Order  $2016(\mathbf{a})$ .

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Helicopter Flights) Regulations 2024, and they come into force on 26th July 2024.

#### Interpretation

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

#### **Restricted airspace**

**3.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (7), between 0815 hours and 0930 hours and between 1615 hours and 1730 hours on 26th July 2024, no aircraft is to fly below 4,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 525216N 0002601E,
- (b) 525034N 0003308E,
- (c) 521105N 0000528E,
- (d) 521105N 0000330W, and
- (e) 525216N 0002601E.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (5) and (7), between 0815 hours and 0930 hours and between 1615 hours and 1730 hours on 26th July 2024, no aircraft is to fly below 4,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 521105N 0000330W,
- (b) 521105N 0000528E,

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

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

- (c) 520608N 0000201E,
- (d) 520127N 000000E,
- (e) 520002N 0000824W,
- (f) 520607N 0000650W, and
- (g) 521105N 0000330W.

(3) Subject to paragraphs (6) and (7), between 0815 hours and 0930 hours and between 1615 hours and 1730 hours on 26th July 2024, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—

- (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
  - (i) 520002N 0000824W,
  - (ii) 520127N 000000E,
  - (iii) 515146N 000006W,
  - (iv) 514550N 0000316W,
  - (v) 513610N 0001001W,
  - (vi) 513612N 0001803W,
  - (vii) 514830N 0001506W,
  - (viii) 515045N 0000929W,
- (b) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 8 nautical miles whose centre is at 515229N 0002206W between 515045N 0000929W and 515611N 0001037W,
- (c) straight lines joining successively the following points-
  - (i) 515611N 0001037W, and
  - (ii) 520002N 0000824W.
- (4) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—
  - (a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by-
    - (i) Royal Air Force Lakenheath, whilst under the control of the Air Traffic Control unit at Royal Air Force Lakenheath,
    - (ii) Royal Air Force Marham, whilst under the control of the Air Traffic Control unit at Royal Air Force Marham, or
    - (iii) Cambridge Airport, whilst under the control of the Air Traffic Control unit at Cambridge Airport.
- (5) Paragraph (2) does not apply to any aircraft—
  - (a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by—
    - (i) Farnborough Lower Airspace Radar Service North,
    - (ii) Royal Air Force Lakenheath, whilst under the control of the Air Traffic Control unit at Royal Air Force Lakenheath, or
    - (iii) Cambridge Airport, whilst under the control of the Air Traffic Control unit at Cambridge Airport.
- (6) Paragraph (3) does not apply to any aircraft—
  - (a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by—
    - (i) Royal Air Force Northolt, whilst under the control of 78 Squadron Royal Air Force Unit Swanwick, or the Air Traffic Control unit at Royal Air Force Northolt,
    - (ii) London Luton Airport, whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick, or the Air Traffic Control unit at London Luton Airport, or
    - (iii) London Stansted Airport, whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick, or the Air Traffic Control unit at London Stansted Airport.
- (7) Paragraphs (1) to (3) do not apply to any aircraft operated by or on behalf of—

- (a) The King's Helicopter Flight,
- (b) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Service,
- (c) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or
- (d) the National Police Air Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

22nd July 2024

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Norfolk, Cambridgeshire, Bedfordshire, and Greater London by the reason of two intended helicopter flights. The Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the relevant areas to avoid disruption to these flights.

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

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

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