

**2018 No. 113**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Abingdon Air and Country Show) Regulations 2018**

*Made* - - - - - *29th January 2018*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *5th May 2018*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Abingdon, Oxfordshire by reason of the holding of a flying display.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 239 of the Air Navigation Order 2016<sup>(a)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Abingdon Air and Country Show) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 5th May 2018.

**Interpretation**

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time<sup>(b)</sup>.

**Restricted airspace**

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between—

- (a) 0900 hours and 1200 hours on 5th May 2018, and
- (b) 1000 hours and 1715 hours on 6th May 2018,

no aircraft is to fly below 5,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 5 nautical miles whose centre is at 514128N 0011900W.

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

- (a) flying in accordance with a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at Royal Air Force Brize Norton,
- (b) making an approach to, or departure from, Oxford Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at that airport, or
- (c) flying with the permission of the Abingdon Air and Country Show flying display director.

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(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).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

29th January 2018

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Department for Transport

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of Abingdon Aerodrome, Oxfordshire during an air display for the general public that is scheduled to take place there on 5th and 6th May 2018. A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the display and therefore the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the displays for reasons of public safety.

In relation to regulation 3, 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 regulation 3(1) are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(c), the Abingdon Aerodrome flying display director may be contacted on telephone number 07493 128205 or 07890 180598.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 020 7453 6586.