

2018 No. 291

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wales National Airshow) Regulations 2018

Made - - - - - *13th February 2018*

Coming into force - - - - - *29th June 2018*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Swansea Bay by reason of the intended holding of the Wales National Airshow.

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) (Wales National Airshow) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 29th June 2018.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), and during the periods specified in paragraph (2), no aircraft is to fly below 8,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 513800N 0040100W,
- (b) 513800N 0035100W,
- (c) 513400N 0035100W,
- (d) 513400N 0040100W, and
- (e) 513800N 0040100W.

(2) The periods referred to in paragraph (1) are—

- (a) between 1200 hours and 1600 hours on 29th June 2018, and
- (b) between 1130 hours and 1600 hours on 30th June and 1st July 2018.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft flying in accordance with—

- (a) the permission of the Wales National Airshow flying display director, or

(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) the permission of Swansea Aerodrome air-ground service while in the Swansea Aerodrome Traffic Zone.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

13th February 2018

Sarah Bishop
Head of Aviation Policy
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 Swansea Bay by reasons of flying displays that are scheduled to take place there from 29th June to 1st July 2018, inclusive. A large number of civil and military aircraft will be involved in high-energy manoeuvres during the displays. 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(2) 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 permission mentioned in regulation 3(3)(a), the Wales National Airshow flying display director may be contacted on telephone number 07979 593941.

The permission mentioned in regulation 3(3)(b) may be obtained via the published air-ground frequency of the Swansea Aerodrome air-ground service.

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.