

**2019 No. 1355**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Edinburgh)  
Regulations 2019**

*Made* - - - - - *16th October 2019*

*Coming into force* - - - *30th December 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary and in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Edinburgh, by reason of the intended holding of events associated with the New Year celebrations which will be attended by a large number of persons.

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) (Edinburgh) Regulations 2019 and come into force on 30th December 2019.

**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 2,200 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 555705N 0031106W.

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

- (a) between 1500 hours and 2300 hours on 30th December 2019, and
- (b) between 1400 hours on 31st December 2019 and 0300 hours on 1st January 2020.

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

- (a) operated by or on behalf of—
  - (i) Police Scotland,
  - (ii) the Scottish Air Ambulance Service, or
  - (iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency,

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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 the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

- (b) making an approach to, or departure from, Edinburgh Airport whilst under the control of the air traffic control unit at Edinburgh Airport, or
- (c) flying in accordance with the permission of the Police Scotland Air Accidents and Incidents Advisor.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

*David J Best*

Grade 7

Department for Transport

16th October 2019

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of Edinburgh for a number of events associated with the 2019/2020 New Year celebrations which will be attended by a large number of persons. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the events for reasons of public safety and security.

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 the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(3)(c), the Police Scotland Air Accidents and Incidents Advisor may be contacted as notified.

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

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