

2019 No. 607

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Heaton Park)
Regulations 2019**

Made - - - - *14th March 2019*

Coming into force - - *7th June 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Heaton Park, Manchester, by reason of the intended gathering of large numbers of persons at music festivals on 7th, 8th, 9th and 15th June 2019.

The Secretary of State makes these 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) (Heaton Park) Regulations 2019 and come into force on 7th June 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 unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded successively by straight lines joining the following points—

- (a) 533207N 0021608W,
- (b) 533213N 0021430W,
- (c) 533145N 0021447W,
- (d) 533128N 0021552W, and
- (e) 533207N 0021608W.

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

- (a) between 1300 hours and 2359 hours on 7th and 15th June 2019, and
- (b) between 0900 hours and 2359 hours on 8th and 9th June 2019.

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

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

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft operating with the permission of the Greater Manchester Police, or to a balloon or kite.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best
Grade 7

14th March 2019

Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Heaton Park, Manchester, by reason of the large numbers of persons expected to attend music festivals on 7th, 8th, 9th and 15th June 2019. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted for reasons of public safety.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘unmanned aircraft’ by virtue of article 23 of, and Part 1 of Schedule 4 to, the Air Navigation Order 2016, includes remotely piloted aircraft and small unmanned aircraft. These aircraft types are commonly referred to as drones.

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), the Greater Manchester Police may be contacted through Event Control on telephone number 0161 806 0570.

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 07917 614249.