STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 554

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Fishburn Airfield) Regulations 2024

Made		-	-	23rd April 2024
Coming in	to fore	ce -	-	20th July 2024

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended holding there of a Royal Aero Club Air Race.

The Secretary of State makes these 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) (Fishburn Airfield) Regulations 2024 and they come into force on 20th July 2024.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(**b**).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 1045 hours and 1215 hours and between 1415 hours and 1545 hours on 20th July 2024 and between 1015 hours and 1145 hours and between 1345 hours and 1515 hours on 21st July 2024 no aircraft is to fly below 1,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

- (a) 543917N 0013522W,
- (b) 544309N 0012656W,
- (c) 544220N 0012209W,
- (d) 543830N 0012541W,
- (e) 543720N 0013145W, and
- (f) 543917N 0013522W.

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

(a) flying with the permission of—

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

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

- (i) Fishburn Airfield Air Race air-ground service, or
- (ii) the Royal Aero Club Records Racing and Rally Association Race Officials, or
- (b) operated by or on behalf of the—
 - (i) National Police Air Service,
 - (ii) Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
 - (iii) Maritime and Coastguard Agency.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

23rd April 2024

David J Best Grade 7 Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Fishburn Airfield, County Durham by reason of the intended holding there of a Royal Aero Club Air Race on 20th and 21st July 2024.

A large number of aircraft will be involved in high energy manoeuvres during the Air Race and therefore the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(a)(i), the Fishburn Airfield Air Race airground service may be contacted as notified.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(a)(ii), the Royal Aero Club Records Racing and Rally Association Race Officials may be contacted as notified.

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

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