

MANSTON AERODROME

BYE-LAWS

MADE by the Secretary of State for Air under the provisions of the Military Lands Acts 1892 and 1900, as applied by the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 1) Order 1918 and the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 3) Order 1923, with the consent of the Kent County Council, for regulating the use of certain Air Force land at Manston in or adjacent to the Parishes of Minster, Ramsgate, and Margate in the County of Kent, for the purposes to which it is appropriated and for prohibiting all intrusion on such land and all obstruction of the use thereof.

LAND AFFECTED

1. The land to which these Bye-laws apply is described in the Schedule hereto, and is hereinafter referred to as the "Aerodrome Area".

OFFENCES

2. No costermonger, hawker, pedlar, huckster, marine store or other dealer, or rag and bone and bottle gatherer or bookmaker or racing or betting tout, or vendor of newspapers or any kind of literature, or photographer, or person engaged in any similar traffic or occupation to any one of those specified, unless in possession of a Pass, issued under the authority of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston, shall intrude or enter or be upon the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of selling, buying or trafficking, or otherwise carrying on his or her or any like business or calling.

- 3. No person shall enter or be upon the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of idling, loitering or behaving in an indecent or disorderly manner, or for the purpose of gaming, betting or wagering, or of pursuing or killing game or other animals or for the purpose of gathering mushrooms.
- 4. No person shall enter or be upon the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of carrying or of applying for permission to carry the kits of airmen or other persons, or of obtaining any other kind of casual employment.
- 5. No person shall enter or be upon the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of removing any kind of metal or other material, unless duly authorised and in possession of a Pass, issued under the authority of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston.
- 6. No person whatever shall continue on the Acrodrome Area after being warned off by an Officer or by any person acting under the authority of an Officer.
- 7. No person, unless in possession of a Pass, issued under the authority of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston, shall camp or bivouac or sleep out upon the Aerodrome Area.
- 8. No person, without the authority of an Officer, shall deposit broken glass or other rubbish upon the Acrodrome Area.
- 9. No night walker or common prostitute shall locate herself in, or trespass on, or resort to the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of prostitution.
- 10. No person, without the authority of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston, shall cut grass or cut and remove turf or use the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of grazing any horse, cow, sheep or other animal.
- 11. No person, without the authority of an Officer, shall light a fire on the Aerodrome Area for any purpose whatever, nor shall any person by throwing down lighted or live matches or in any other way do anything causing or tending to cause a fire to break out on the said Aerodrome Area.
- 12. No person, unless in possession of a Pass, issued under the authority of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston, shall ride a horse or exercise any horse or dog on the Aerodrome Area.

- 13. No person shall ride a horse, motor cycle or bicycle upon any footpath by the side of any Air Ministry road, wholly maintained by the Air Ministry and situate on the Aerodrome Area.
- 14. No driver of a hackney carriage, taxi-cab or other vehicle shall enter or be upon any Air Ministry road wholly maintained by the Air Ministry and situate in the Aerodrome Area for the purpose of plying for hire without a Pass issued under the authority of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston.
- 15. No vehicle shall be parked on or near the verges of any roads passing through the Aerodrome Area, or on any other part of the said Area.

CLOSING OF AERODROME AREA DURING FLYING

- 16. During such time as notice is given by the hoisting or displaying of signals, in the manner hereinafter provided in Bye-law No. 17, that flying is in progress within the Aerodrome Area, the Aerodrome Area will be closed to the public and no person shall, save as hereinafter provided, enter or remain therein or bring, take or suffer to remain thereon any vehicle, animal or thing provided nevertheless that except when and in so far as all traffic over any public highway or portion thereof within the Aerodrome Area is temporarily suspended as provided by Bye-law No. 18, persons or vehicles requiring to pass through or across the Aerodrome Area will be permitted to pass through or across the Aerodrome Area on any public highway situate in the Aerodrome Area.
- 17. Notice that flying is in progress and that the Aerodrome Area is closed to the public as provided in Bye-law No. 16, will be given by the hoisting or displaying of a red flag, by day, or a red lamp, by night, at each of the following places:—
 - (a) At the Watch Office situated in the N.W. corner of the main aerodrome, close to the hangar.
 - (b) At the guardroom situated near the entry to the Aerodrome Area of the Ramsgate-Birchington Road.
 - (c) At the Meteorological Instrument enclosure where the road from Margate passes through the Aerodrome Area.

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF TRAFFIC ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

- 18. During such time as notice is given by the hoisting or displaying of the signals in manner provided in Bye-law No. 17 that flying is in progress within the Aerodrome Area. traffic over any public highway which is permitted by the proviso to Bye-law No. 16 may be temporarily suspended from time to time as may be necessary to facilitate the passage of aircraft over or across such highway or a portion thereof and during such time as notice is given by the hoisting or displaying of additional signals in the manner provided by Bye-law No. 19 that all traffic over any public highway or a portion thereof is temporarily suspended as aforesaid all traffic upon such highway or portion thereof will be suspended accordingly and no person shall, so long as the said additional signals remain hoisted or displayed, enter or remain upon such highway or portion thereof or bring, take or suffer to remain thereon any vehicle, animal or thing.
- 19. Notice that all traffic over any public highway or portion thereof as the case may be is temporarily suspended as provided in Bye-law No. 18 will be given by the hoisting or displaying of the following additional signals, that is to say: a red flag by day or a red lamp by night at each end of such portion of any highway as is affected.

RIGHTS OF WAY

20. Save as provided in Bye-laws Nos. 16 and 18, nothing in these Bye-laws shall interfere with any public right of way within the Aerodrome Area, but subject as aforesaid the expression "Aerodrome Area" shall include all roads and footpaths within the Aerodrome Area.

OFFICERS AUTHORISED

21. Any person doing anything prohibited by or otherwise contravening any of the preceding Bye-laws Nos. 2 to 16 and 18 shall be deemed to commit an offence against the Bye-law so contravened.

The persons hereby authorised to remove or take into custody without warrant, any person committing an offence against any of the preceding Bye-laws Nos. 2 to 16 or 18 or to remove any vehicle, animal or thing found on the Aerodrome Area in contravention of any of these Bye-laws, are:—

(1) The Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston.

- (2) Any Officer, Warrant Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer or Service Policeman for the time being under the command of the said Officer Commanding.
- (3) Any person authorised in writing under the hand of the said Officer Commanding, or
 - (4) Any Constable.

DATE OF OPERATION OF THE BYE-LAWS

22. These Bye-laws shall come into force on the 19th day of August One thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven on and after which date the Bye-laws in respect of Manston Aerodrome dated the fourth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, shall be revoked.

SCHEDULE

The land, together with any buildings thereon, to which these Bye-laws apply is situate at Manston, in or adjacent to the Parishes of Minster, Ramsgate and Margate, in the County of Kent, as shown on the plan referred to in Notice No. (4) hereof, and is bounded as follows:—

ON THE EAST.—By a line commencing at a point on the Manston Court Road approximately 300 yards north of Manston Court and proceeding in a south-south-westerly direction along the western side of Manston Court Road for a distance of about 700 yards until it joins the Ramsgate-Birchington Road and thence in a westerly direction for a distance of 120 yards along the northern side of the Ramsgate-Birchington Road and thence crossing the said road and continuing in a south-south-westerly direction for a distance of about 620 yards and thence in an easterly direction for a distance of about 120 yards until a point is reached on the western side of the Manston Court Road and thence continuing along the western side of the said road in a general southerly direction for a distance of about 500 yards until the northern side of the St. Lawrence-Monkton road is reached, and thence:-

ON THE SOUTH.—By a line commencing at the last mentioned point and following the northern side of the St. Lawrence-Monkton road in a general westerly direction for a distance of about 1340 yards until a point is reached at the junction of the track leading to Cheeseman's farm and thence proceeding in a north-westerly direction along the eastern side of the said track for a distance of about 220 yards and thence:—

ON THE WEST.—By a line commencing at the last mentioned point and continuing in a north-north easterly direction for a distance of about 580 yards and thence in a west-north-westerly direction for a distance of about 110 vards until a footpath is reached and thence following the eastern side of the said footpath in a north-northeasterly direction for a distance of about 40 yards until a point is reached on the southern side of the Margate-Minster road and thence following the southern side of the said road in a north-easterly direction for a distance of about 260 yards and thence crossing the said road and continuing in a north-westerly direction for a distance of about 520 yards and crossing a footpath until a point is reached about 200 yards south-west of Pouces Nursery, and thence in a north-easterly direction for a distance of about 130 yards until a point is reached on the Ramsgate-Birchington road, and thence:-

ON THE NORTH.—By a line commencing at the last mentioned point and following the southern side of the Ramsgate-Birchington road in a south-easterly direction for a distance of about 160 yards and thence crossing the said road and continuing in a north-easterly direction for a distance of about 620 yards and thence in a southeasterly direction for a distance of about 250 yards and thence in a north-easterly direction for a distance of about 350 yards and thence in a south-easterly direction for a distance of about 500 yards until a point is reached on the eastern side of the Margate-Minster road and thence following the eastern side of the said road in a general northerly direction for a distance of about 290 yards and thence in a south-easterly direction for a distance of about 520 yards until the starting point is reached on the western side of Manston Court road.

DATED this nineteenth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and thirty seven.

SWINTON.

Secretary of State for Air.

The County Council of Kent hereby signify their consent to the foregoing Bye-laws.

RICHARD HARDY, Chairman.

W. L. PLATTS, Clerk.

NOTICES

PENALTY FOR OFFENCES

(1) By Section 17 (2) of the Military Lands Act, 1892, as amended by Section 92 of and Schedule 3 to the Criminal Justice Act 1967, it is provided that:—

If any person commits an offence against any Bye-law under this Act, he shall be liable on conviction before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, to a fine not exceeding TWENTY POUNDS, and may be removed by any Constable or Officer authorised in manner provided by the Bye-law from the area to which the Bye-law applies, and taken into custody without Warrant, and brought before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to be dealt with according to law, and any vehicle, animal, or thing found in the area in contravention of any Bye-law may be removed by any Constable or such Officer as aforesaid and, on due proof of such contravention, be declared by a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to be forfeited to His Majesty.

NOTICE BOARDS

(2) Notice Boards displaying a copy of these Bye-laws will be placed where a road or footpath enters the Aerodrome Area.

Use of Authorised 'Bus Stops

- (3) Persons waiting for Omnibuses or other vehicles upon any public road within the Aerodrome Area are requested to wait at the authorised 'Bus stops only, e.g.:—
 - (a) At the Guard House on the Margate-Manston Road.
 - (b) At the Cross Roads of the Margate-Manston and the Ramsgate-Birchington Roads.
 - (c) At the south-west entrance to the Aerodrome Area on the Ramsgate-Manston Road.

INSPECTION OF PLAN SHOWING LANDS AFFECTED

(4) The land comprising the Aerodrome Area described in the Schedule hereto, with any buildings thereon, to which these Bye-laws apply, is shown on a plan which can be inspected at the Office of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston.

WHERE COPIES OF BYE-LAWS CAN BE OBTAINED

(5) Copies of these Bye-laws can be obtained at the price of five pence (5p) for each copy at the Office of the Officer Commanding, Royal Air Force Station, Manston.