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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Royal Air Force
Syerston) Regulations 2020**

Made - - - - 21st February 2020

Coming into force - - 17th March 2020

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Royal Air Force Syerston, Nottinghamshire, by reason of the intended holding of flying display rehearsals there by a jet formation display team.

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) (Royal Air Force Syerston) Regulations 2020 and come into force on 17th March 2020.

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 1030 hours and 1630 hours on each of the four days from 17th to 20th March 2020, no aircraft is to fly below 8,300 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 6 nautical miles whose centre is at 530113N 0005451W.

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

- (a) flying in accordance with a clearance issued by the air traffic control unit at Royal Air Force Waddington, or
- (b) operating with the permission of Royal Air Force Syerston air-ground service whilst in the Syerston local flying area.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

21st February 2020

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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).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of Syerston, Nottinghamshire, during flying display rehearsals by the Royal Air Force Aerobatic Team, the Red Arrows, which are due to take place there between 17th and 20th March 2020. In order to protect the display aircraft, other air traffic, and spectators, it is considered that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the airspace within which the display teams will perform. Daily display times will be published by NOTAM.

Periods falling outside the actual display times will be subject to an exemption applying to all other aircraft complying with local air traffic control permission. This has been agreed with the Department for Transport.

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(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is the same as Greenwich Mean Time.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)b, the Royal Air Force Syerston air-ground service may be contacted as notified.

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 C W Scott, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382997.