STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 1158

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Birmingham) (No. 4) Regulations 2022

Made - - - -	*8th November 2022*
Coming into force - -	*11th November 2022*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended holding there of Christmas Market events.

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) (Birmingham) (No. 4) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 11th November 2022.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), during the periods specified in paragraph (2) no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

(a) 522846N 0015449W,

(b) 522900N 0015353W,

(c) 522849N 0015340W,

(d) 522836N 0015347W,

(e) 522841N 0015417W,

(f) 522835N 0015430W, and

(g) 522846N 0015449W.

(2) The periods referred to in paragraph (1) are between 1000 hours and 2200 hours—

(**a**) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(**b**) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

(a) on the three days commencing 11th November 2022 and finishing on 13th November 2022,

(b) on the three days commencing 18th November 2022 and finishing on 20th November 2022,

(c) on the three days commencing 25th November 2022 and finishing on 27th November 2022,

(d) on the three days commencing 2nd December 2022 and finishing on 4th December 2022,

(e) on the three days commencing 9th December 2022 and finishing on 11th December 2022,

(f) on the three days commencing 16th December 2022 and finishing on 18th December 2022, and

(g) on the 23rd December 2022.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission granted by the West Midlands Police Drone Unit.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best
Grade 7
Department for Transport

8th November 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Birmingham City centre during the holding of the Christmas Market events that are scheduled to take place there beginning on 11th November 2022 and finishing on 23rd December 2022. In view of the high visibility of this event and at the request of the West Midland Police Service, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the events for reasons of public safety and security.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(2) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(3), the West Midlands Police Drone Unit may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Briefing Sheet and Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr S J Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383216.