STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 71

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Brecon) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	*28th January 2026*
Coming into force - -	*4th March 2026*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of an intended Royal visit due to take place there.

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) (Brecon) Regulations 2026 and they come into force on 4th March 2026.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), beginning with 0800 hours and ending with 1800 hours on 4th March 2026 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,000 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile which is centred at 515705N 0032331W.

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

(a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Dyfed-Powys Police Service, or

(b) operated by or on behalf of an Emergency Service in response to an emergency incident.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Joe Thompson
Senior Executive Officer
Department for Transport

28th January 2026

(**a**) S.I. 2016/765, amended by S.I. 2024/990; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.
(**b**) 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 the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Brecon, Powys where a Royal visit is intended to take place on 4th March 2026.

At the request of the Dyfed-Powys 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 visit location for reasons of public safety and security.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(a), the Dyfed-Powys Police Service 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 David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382471.