STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 480

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Coventry) Regulations 2025

Made - - - -	*10th April 2025*
Coming into force - -	*4th July 2025*

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 the large gathering of persons due to attend an event 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) (Coventry) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 4th July 2025.

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 900 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile centred at 522330N 0013131W.

(2) The periods referred to in paragraph (1) begin at—

(a) 1000 hours on 4th July 2025 and end at 2359 hours on 4th July 2025,

(b) 0900 hours on 5th July 2025 and end at 2359 hours on 5th July 2025, and

(c) 0900 hours on 6th July 2025 and end at 2100 hours on 6th July 2025.

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best
Grade 7
Department for Transport

10th April 2025

(**a**) S.I. 2016/765, as amended by S.I. 2024/990; there are other amending instruments, but none is relevant.
(**b**) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Coventry, West Midlands where a large gathering of persons is due to attend a festival there between 4th July 2025 and 6th July 2025 (inclusive).

At the request of West Midlands Police, the Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the festival for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(2) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

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

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by an Aeronautical Information Service Briefing Sheet and Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr A H Frew, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382734.