STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 789

CIVIL AVIATION

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

Made - - - -	*1st July 2025*
Coming into force - -	*21st August 2025*

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 intending gathering of a large number of persons at Creamfields music festival.

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) (Daresbury) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 21st August 2025.

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 0700 hours on 21st August 2025 and ending with 1600 hours on 25th August 2025 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 700 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.1 nautical miles which is centred at 532049N 0023704W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply—

(a) insofar as flying is already prohibited by the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (North West Transit Corridor) (Restricted Area EGR323) Regulations 2024(**c**), or

(b) to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Event Licencing Co-ordinator.

(**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 one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).
(**c**) S.I. 2024/1199, amended by S.I. 2025/314.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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1st July 2025 Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of the Creamfields music festival at Daresbury, Warrington, Cheshire by reason of the large number of persons expected to attend the event which is due to take place there on 21st to 25th August 2025, inclusive.

The Civil Aviation Authority and the 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(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

These Regulations apply except insofar as flying is already prohibited by the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Restriction of Flying) (North West Transit Corridor) (Restricted Area EGR323) Regulations 2024 (S.I. 2024/1199, amended by S.I. 2025/314).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(b), the Event Licencing Co-ordinator may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) 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.