STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 487

CIVIL AVIATION

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

Made - - - -	*14th April 2025*
Coming into force - -	*30th June 2025*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended holding there of the Royal Week event.

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) (Edinburgh) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 30th June 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 at 0800 hours on 30th June 2025 and ending at 1500 hours on 4th July 2025 no aircraft is to fly below 4,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles centred at 555710N 0031020W.

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

(a) flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit,

(b) making an approach to or departure from Edinburgh Airport whilst under the direction of the air traffic control unit at Edinburgh Airport, or

(c) operated by or on behalf of—

(i) a Police Air Support Unit,

(ii) The Kings Helicopter Flight,

(iii) a member of the Royal Family,

(iv) an Emergency Medical Service, or

(**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).

(v) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency for the purpose of Search and Rescue only.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best
Grade 7
14th April 2025 Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Edinburgh City Centre during the Royal Week event that is due to take place there between 30th June 2025 and 4th July 2025 (inclusive).

At the request of Police Scotland, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety and security.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(a), the Police Scotland Aviation Safety and Security Unit 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 Alan Frew, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382734.