STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 956

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Hampton Court Palace) Regulations 2025

Made - - - -	*8th August 2025*
Coming into force - -	*10th August 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 visit there of a VIP.

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) (Hampton Court Palace) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 10th 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 and ending with 1300 hours on 10th August 2025 no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2.5 nautical miles centred at 512403N 0001944W.

(2) All non-standard flight and enhanced non-standard flight clearances(**c**) contained within the area specified in paragraph (1) are withdrawn for the duration of the restricted period specified in paragraph (1).

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

(a) making an approach to or departure from—

(i) London City Airport whilst under the direction of either London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick or the air traffic control unit at London City Airport,

(ii) London Heathrow Airport whilst under the direction of either London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick or the air traffic control unit at London Heathrow Airport, or

(**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**) A non-standard flight is a flight that does not follow published routes or notified procedures.

(iii) Royal Air Force Northolt whilst under the direction of either the London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick or the air traffic control unit at Royal Air Force Northolt,

(b) operated by or on behalf of—

(i) a Police Air Support Unit,

(ii) an Emergency Medical Service,

(iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, or

(iv) the King's Helicopter Flight, or

(c) operating with the permission of the Metropolitan Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Joe Thompson
Senior Executive Officer
Department for Transport

8th August 2025

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of Hampton Court Palace for reasons of a VIP visit which is due to take place there on 10th August 2025.

The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that 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 before British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(3)(c), the Metropolitan 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.