STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 476

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Lytham St Annes) Regulations 2025

Made - - - -	*10th April 2025*
Coming into force - -	*2nd 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) (Lytham St Annes) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 2nd July 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 1500 hours and ending at 2300 hours on each of the 5 days commencing on 2nd July 2025 and concluding on 6th July 2025 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,100 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.5 nautical miles centred at 534409N 0025725W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission granted by the Lancashire Constabulary.

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 Lytham St Annes, Lancashire where a large gathering of persons is due to attend a festival there between 2nd July 2025 and 6th July 2025 (inclusive).

As the request of the Lancashire Constabulary, the Civil Aviation Authority and 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 behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), the Lancashire Constabulary 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.