STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 608

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (The Oval, London) Regulations 2019

Made - - - -	*14th March 2019*
Coming into force - -	*25th May 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of The Oval cricket ground, London, by reason of the intended gathering of large numbers of persons attending the 2019 Cricket World Cup matches which are to be held 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) (The Oval, London) Regulations 2019 and come into force on 25th May 2019.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(**b**).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0500 hours and 2000 hours on each of 25th, 27th and 30th May 2019 and 2nd, 5th, 9th and 15th June 2019, no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 512902N 0000654W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft operating with the permission of Chief Inspector Phil Palmer of the Metropolitan Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

David J Best
Grade 7
Department for Transport

14th March 2019

(**a**) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(**b**) In these Regulations, 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 The Oval cricket ground, London, by reason of the large numbers of persons attending the 2019 Cricket World Cup matches which are scheduled to be held there on certain dates between 25th May 2019 and 15th June 2019. At the request of the Metropolitan Police Service, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted for reasons of public safety and security.

In relation to regulation 3, the term 'unmanned aircraft' by virtue of article 23 of, and Part 1 of Schedule 4 to, the Air Navigation Order 2016, includes remotely piloted aircraft and small unmanned aircraft. These aircraft types are commonly referred to as drones.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), Chief Inspector Phil Palmer of the Metropolitan Police Service may be contacted on telephone number 07785 451515.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice To Airmen (NOTAM).

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