STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 332

RETAINED EU LAW REFORM

CIVIL AVIATION

The Airport Noise-related Operating Restrictions (Amendment) Regulations 2026

Sift requirements satisfied	*4th February 2026*
Made - - - -	*18th March 2026*
Laid before Parliament	*24th March 2026*
Coming into force - -	*1st July 2026*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(2) of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 ("the 2023 Act")(**a**).

The Secretary of State is a relevant national authority for the purposes of section 14(2) of the 2023 Act(**b**).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Airport Noise-related Operating Restrictions (Amendment) Regulations 2026.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 1st July 2026.

(3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Amendment of Regulation (EU) No 598/2014

2.—(1) Regulation (EU) No 598/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on the establishment of rules and procedures with regard to the introduction of noise-related operating restrictions at United Kingdom airports within a Balanced Approach and repealing Directive 2002/30/EC(**c**) is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 8 (rules on the introduction of operating restrictions), in paragraph (1), for the words before subparagraph (a) substitute—

(**a**) 2023 c. 28, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(**b**) The term "relevant national authority" is defined in section 21(1) of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023.
(**c**) EUR 2014/598, amended by S.I. 2019/643; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

"Before introducing an operating restriction, the competent authorities must give notice at least two months prior to the determination of the slot coordination parameters as defined in point (m) of Article 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 95/93(**a**) for the airport concerned for the relevant scheduling period, to:".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Keir Mather
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Transport

18th March 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend assimilated Regulation (EU) No 598/2014 on the establishment of rules and procedures with regard to the introduction of noise-related operating restrictions at United Kingdom airports within a Balanced Approach and repealing Directive 2002/30/EC, using the powers conferred by the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (c. 28).

Regulation 2(2) amends Article 8 (rules on the introduction of operating restrictions) so that the competent authority is required to give two months' notice of the introduction of operating restrictions to airports and relevant interested parties, instead of a total of eight months' notice.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or business sectors is foreseen. An Explanatory Memorandum has been published alongside these Regulations and is available at www.legislation.gov.uk.

© Crown Copyright 2026

Printed and published in the UK by The Stationery Office Limited under the authority and superintendence of Saul Nassé, Controller of His Majesty's Stationery Office and King's Printer of Acts of Parliament.

(**a**) Council Regulation (EEC) No 95/93 of 18 January 1993 on common rules for the allocation of slots at Community airports (OJ No. L 14, 22.1.1993, p. 1).

ISBN 978-0-34-828159-0

£6.40

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/id/uksi/2026/332

9 780348 281590