STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 49

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Cheltenham Festival) Regulations 2018

Made - - - -	*11th January 2018*
Coming into force - -	*13th March 2018*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire by reason of the gathering of a large number of persons at the Cheltenham Festival.

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) (Cheltenham Festival) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 13th March 2018.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 1000 hours and 2000 hours on each day beginning on 13th March 2018 and ending on 16th March 2018, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded successively by—

(a) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 3 nautical miles centred on 515533N 0020316W, from 515515N 0020805W to 515331N 0020649W, and

(b) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles centred on 515339N 0021002W, from 515331N 0020649W to 515515N 0020805W.

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

(a) an approach to or departure from Runway 04/22 or Runway 09/27 at Gloucestershire Airport while under the control of the air traffic control unit at that airport,

(b) operated by or on behalf of the National Police Air Service,

(c) operated by or on behalf of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or

(d) under the control of the air traffic control unit at Cheltenham Heliport.

(**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 the same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).