STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1299

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Edinburgh) Regulations 2017

Made - - - -	*14th December 2017*
Coming into force - -	*30th December 2017*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of the city of Edinburgh, by reason of events associated with the New Year's celebrations which will be attended by a large number of persons.

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) (Edinburgh) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 30th December 2017.

Interpretation

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

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), and during the periods specified in paragraph (2), no aircraft is to fly below 2,200 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles whose centre is at 555705N 0031106W.

(2) The periods referred to are between—

(a) 1500 hours and 2300 hours on 30th December 2017, and

(b) 1400 hours on 31st December 2017 and 0300 hours on 1st January 2018.

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

(a) operated by or on behalf of—

(i) Police Scotland,

(ii) the Scottish Air Ambulance Service, or

(iii) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency,

(**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 time as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).