STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2025 No. 484

# CIVIL AVIATION

## The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Charlbury, Oxfordshire) Regulations 2025

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| *Made - - - -* | *11th April 2025* |
| *Coming into force - -* | *31st 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 a music festival 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) (Charlbury, Oxfordshire) Regulations 2025 and they come into force on 31st 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 0500 hours on 31st July 2025 and ending at 1600 hours on 4th August 2025 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,100 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by straight lines joining successively the following points—

(a) 515210N 0013054W,

(b) 515211N 0012930W,

(c) 515106N 0012819W,

(d) 515029N 0013015W, and

(e) 515210N 0013054W.

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

(a) flying with the permission of the Festival Republic events safety officer, or

(b) operated by or on behalf of a Police Air Support Unit.

(**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).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

*David J Best*
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11th April 2025 Department for Transport

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Charlbury, Oxfordshire where a large gathering of persons is due to attend the Wilderness Festival 2025 music concerts between 31st July 2025 and 4th August 2025 (inclusive).

The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the event location for reasons of public safety.

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)(a), the Festival Republic events safety officer may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr Alan Frew, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382734.