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CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Jet Formation Display Teams) (No. 5) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

Made - - - - *10th August 2012*

Coming into force - - *17th August 2012*

The Secretary of State deems it necessary in the public interest to restrict flying by reason of the intended holding of flying displays by a jet formation display team.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 161 of the Air Navigation Order 2009(a).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Jet Formation Display Teams) (No. 5) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 and come into force on 17th August 2012.

Amendment

2.—(1) The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Jet Formation Display Teams) (No.5) Regulations 2012(b) are amended as follows.

(2) In the Schedule, delete the following entries in columns 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively—

“Portsmouth 504626N 0010546W 8,000 feet 17 August 2012”

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(3) In the Schedule, after the entry for Whitby, insert the following entries in columns 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively—

“Benson 513704N 0010542W 8,200 feet 23 August 2012”.

10th August 2012

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(a) S.I.2009/3015, to which there are amendments that are not relevant to these Regulations.
(b) S.I.2012/1349.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations amend the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Jet Formation Display Teams) (No.5) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/1349). Restrictions imposed for displays scheduled to take place at Portsmouth on 17th and 18th August 2012 are no longer required. An additional display is scheduled to take place in Benson on 23rd August 2012 and new restrictions are therefore imposed.

Restricted Airspace (Temporary) is proposed for the relevant sites in the UK for reasons of public safety and to protect the Red Arrows display team. Formation aerobatic displays require great concentration and skill both from the leader and the other members of the formation. The pilots cannot be expected to make unscheduled violent changes in speed, altitude or direction in order to avoid other conflicting aircraft. Any distraction caused by aircraft conflicting with the flight path of the formation could result in a collision between display aircraft, or between display aircraft and other aircraft in the display area.

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