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### Subject

Airspace Restrictions



## RESTRICTION OF FLYING REGULATIONS – CHELTENHAM 14-17 MARCH 2017

- 1 The 2017 Cheltenham Festival will be held at Cheltenham Racecourse from **14 to 17 March 2017**. There will be a large number of helicopters operating from the temporary heliport at the racecourse; therefore, the Secretary of State for Transport has decided that it is necessary to introduce the following Restriction of Flying Regulations under Article 239 of the Air Navigation Order 2016:
  - (a) Subject to paragraph 1(b), between 1000 hours and 2000 hours (All times UTC) on each day beginning with **14 March and ending on 17 March 2017**, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 ft ams within the area bounded by:
    - (i) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 3 nautical miles centred on 515533N 0020316W, from 515515N 0020805W to 515331N 0020649W; and
    - (ii) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 2 nautical miles centred on 515339N 0021002W, from 515331N 0020649W to 515515N 0020805W.
  - (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to any aircraft flying:
    - (i) an approach to Runway 22 or Runway 27 at Gloucestershire Airport while under the control of the Air Traffic Control Unit at that airport;
    - (ii) in the service of the National Police Air Service;
    - (iii) in the service of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services;
    - (iv) under the control of the Air Traffic Control Unit at Cheltenham Heliport
- 2 The times mentioned in regulation 1(a) are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which is the same time as Greenwich Mean Time.
- 3 In relation to paragraph 2(a), the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016 and also includes, by virtue of article 23 of that Order, any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute, as such terms are defined in Schedule 1 of the Order.
- 4 Further enquiries of Airspace Restrictions and the Civil Aviation Authority can be made to Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 020-7453 6586 or at [rob.gratton@caa.co.uk](mailto:rob.gratton@caa.co.uk).
- 5 Details of Restricted Airspace feature in the daily AIS Information Line message (0500-354802) and 01489-887515 and will be included on the Pre-flight Information Bulletins (PIB) through the AIS Web site at <http://www.ais.org.uk>.

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