STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 1176

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (RAF Lakenheath, Norfolk) (Emergency) Regulations 2026

Made - - - - at 5.40 p.m. on 9th November 2026

Coming into force with immediate effect

The Secretary of State for a reason affecting the public interest deems it necessary to restrict flying in the area specified in the Schedule by reason of an emergency having arisen in that area.

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) (RAF Lakenheath, Norfolk) (Emergency) Regulations 2026 and come into force with immediate effect.

Restricted airspace

2. No unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,200 feet above mean sea level over the area specified in Column 1 of the Schedule, being an area bounded by a circle of the radius specified in Column 2 and centred on the position specified in Column 3.

3. These Regulations do not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with directions given by RAF Lakenheath Air Traffic Control Unit.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Eve Rowland
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Department for Transport

At 5.40 p.m. on 9th November 2026

(**a**) S.I. 2016/765, amended by S.I. 2024/990; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Table 1

Column 1	*Column 2*	*Column 3*
Specified area	Radius of circle	Position of centre of circle (latitude and longitude)
RAF Lakenheath, Norfolk	5 nautical miles	522433.85N 0003339.64E

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions of an emergency nature on flying in the area specified in the Schedule. They are intended to be of temporary duration and will be revoked as soon as the emergency in question has passed.