

**2026 No. 644**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Silverstone Grand Prix) (No. 2) Regulations 2026**

*Made* - - - -

*16th June 2026*

*Coming into force* - -

*2nd July 2026*

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 intended holding there of the Silverstone Grand Prix.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 239 of the Air Navigation Order 2016<sup>(a)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Silverstone Grand Prix) (No. 2) Regulations 2026 and they come into force on 2nd July 2026.

**Interpretation**

2. In regulation 3(2) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time<sup>(b)</sup>.

**Restricted airspace**

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), during the periods specified in paragraph (2) no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,600 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1 nautical mile which is centred at 520417N 0010056W.

(2) The periods referred to in paragraph (1) begin with—

- (a) 1000 hours and end with 2200 hours on 2nd July 2026,
- (b) 0600 hours and end with 0800 hours, and begin with 1800 hours and end with 2200 hours on 3 July 2026,
- (c) 0600 hours and end with 0700 hours, and begin with 1900 hours and end with 2200 hours on 4 July 2026, and
- (d) 0500 hours and end with 0600 hours, and begin with 2000 hours and end with 2200 hours on 05 July 2026.

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft operating in accordance with a permission issued by Northamptonshire Police.

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(a) S.I. 2016/765, 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

16th June 2026

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of the motor-racing circuit at Silverstone on the occasion of the 2026 British Grand Prix that is due to take place there on 2nd to 5th July 2026, inclusive.

There will be the gathering of a large number of persons attending the event. At the request of the Northamptonshire Police, the Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(2) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

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

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