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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon)
Regulations 2020**

Made - - - - - *19th February 2020*

Coming into force - - - - - *27th June 2020*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Wimbledon, London Borough of Merton, by reason of the gathering of a large number of people at the 2020 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships.

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) (Wimbledon) Regulations 2020 and come into force on 27th June 2020.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0500 hours and 2200 hours, on each of the seventeen days beginning on 27th June 2020 and ending on 13th July 2020, no aircraft is to fly below 1,500 feet above mean sea level within the area of a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is 512601N 0001250W.

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

- (a) operated by or on behalf of the National Police Air Service,
- (b) operated by or on behalf of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
- (c) making an approach to, or departing from London Heathrow Airport whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre Swanwick, or the air traffic control unit at London Heathrow Airport, or
- (d) flying in accordance with the permission of the Championships Safety Officer.

(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(b) In these Regulations, Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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Department for Transport

19th February 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in the vicinity of The All England Lawn Tennis Club, Wimbledon, on the occasion of the 2020 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships which are scheduled to take place there from 27th June to 13th July 2020 (inclusive). This event will be open to the general public, and large crowds are expected to attend this event each day. The Championships Safety Officer has therefore requested that restrictions be imposed on flying in the vicinity of the Championships on public safety and security grounds. This has been agreed by the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport.

In relation to regulation 3, the term ‘aircraft’ includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It 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.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)d, the Championships Safety Officer may be contacted as notified.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice To Airmen (NOTAM).

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