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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2001 No. 2372**

**SPORTS GROUNDS AND SPORTING EVENTS**

**The Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 2001**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>2nd July 2001</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>2nd July 2001</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>23rd July 2001</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by sections 1(1) and 18(2) of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975(1), after such consultation as is mentioned in section 18(4) of that Act, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 23rd July 2001.

**Designation**

2. The sports ground specified in Schedule 1 to this Order (being a sports ground which in the opinion of the Secretary of State has accommodation for more than 10,000 spectators) is hereby designated as a sports ground requiring a safety certificate under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.

3. The sports grounds specified in Schedule 2 to this Order (being sports grounds in England at which association football matches are played, which are occupied by clubs which are members of the Football League Limited or the Football Association Premier League Limited, and which in the opinion of the Secretary of State have accommodation for more than 5,000 spectators) are hereby designated as sports grounds requiring safety certificates under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975(2).

**Amendment to the Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 1986**

4. In Schedule 1 to the Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 1986(3), the entry in respect of the Borough Sports Ground, Sutton shall be omitted.

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(1) 1975 c. 52; section 1(1) was amended by Schedule 2 to the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sports Act 1987 (c. 27).  
(2) The number 5,000 was substituted for the number in section 1(1) of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 for Football League grounds in England and Wales by the Safety of Sports Grounds (Accommodation of Spectators) Order 1996 (S.I.1996/499).  
(3) S.I. 1986/1296.

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2nd July 2001

*Tessa Jowell*  
Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sports

**SCHEDULE 1**

Article 2

City of Manchester Stadium, Eastlands, Manchester M11 3FE

**SCHEDULE 2**

Article 3

<i>Address of Sports Ground</i>	<i>Occupier of Sports Ground</i>
Avenue Stadium, Weymouth Avenue, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 2PR	AFC Bournemouth
Nene Park Stadium, Diamond Way, Irthlingborough, Northamptonshire NN9 5QF	Rushden and Diamonds Football Club
Kassam Stadium, Grenoble Road, Oxford OX4 4XP	Oxford United Football Club
Friends Provident St. Mary's Stadium, Britannia Road, Southampton SO14 5FP	Southampton Football Club

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

Articles 2 and 3 of this Order designate the sports grounds specified in Schedules 1 and 2 as sports grounds requiring a safety certificate under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.

Article 4 of this Order varies the Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 1986 by omitting the entry which is no longer a sports ground requiring a safety certificate under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.