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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 2523**

**SPORTS GROUNDS AND SPORTING  
EVENTS, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 2014**

*Made* - - - - *18th September 2014*  
*Laid before Parliament* *19th September 2014*  
*Coming into force* - - *10th October 2014*

The Secretary of State makes the following order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1(1) of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975<sup>(1)</sup>.

In accordance with section 18(4) of that Act, the Secretary of State has consulted with such persons as appear to the Secretary of State to be requisite.

**Citation and Commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 2014 and comes into force on 10th October 2014.

**Designation**

2. The sports ground specified in the Schedule to this Order, being a sports ground—
- (a) at which association football matches are played;
  - (b) which is occupied by a club which is a member of the Football Association Premier League Limited; and
  - (c) which in the opinion of the Secretary of State has accommodation for more than 5,000 spectators<sup>(2)</sup>,

is designated as a sports ground requiring a safety certificate under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.

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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 Sport Act 1987 (c.27)  
(2) The Safety of Sports Grounds (Accommodation of Spectators) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/499) substituted the number 5,000 for the number specified in section 1(1) of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 in respect of a sports ground in England and Wales at which association football matches are played and which is occupied by a club which is a member of either the Football League Limited or the Football Association Premier League Limited.

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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18th September 2014

*Helen Grant*  
Minister for Sport and Tourism  
Department for Culture, Media and Sport

SCHEDULE

Article 2

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<i>Sports Ground</i>	<i>Occupier of Sports Ground</i>
The City Football Academy Arena	Manchester City Football Club Limited
Etiihad Campus	
400 Ashton New Road	
Manchester	
M11 4TQ	

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order designates the City Football Academy Arena, occupied by Manchester City Football Club Limited, as a sports ground requiring a safety certificate under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument.