

**2021 No. 472**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon)  
Regulations 2021**

*Made* - - - - - *15th April 2021*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *26th June 2021*

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 2021 Wimbledon Championships.

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) (Wimbledon) Regulations 2021 and come into force on 26th June 2021.

**Interpretation**

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

**Restricted airspace**

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0500 hours and 2200 hours on each of the eighteen days beginning on 26th June 2021 and ending on 13th July 2021 no aircraft is to fly below 1,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.75 nautical miles whose centre is at 512601N 0001250W.

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

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

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(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.  
(b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

15th April 2021

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations impose restrictions on flying in airspace in the vicinity of The All England Lawn Tennis Club, Wimbledon, on the occasion of the 2021 Wimbledon Championships which are scheduled to take place there from 26th June to 13th July 2021 (inclusive).

This event will be open to the general public and large crowds are expected to attend this event each day. The Wimbledon 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.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)d, the Wimbledon 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).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr S J Maxted, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 383216.