

**2023 No. 24**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon)  
Regulations 2023**

*Made* - - - - *12th January 2023*

*Coming into force* - - *1st July 2023*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is in the public interest to restrict flying in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended gathering there of a large number of people at the 2023 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 2023 and they come into force on 1st July 2023.

**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 1st July 2023 and ending on 17th July 2023 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—
  - (i) National Police Service,
  - (ii) Helicopter Emergency Services,
- (b) making an approach to or departing from London Heathrow Airport whilst under the direction of the London Terminal Control Centre, Swanwick or the air traffic control unit at London Heathrow Airport, or
- (c) flying in accordance with the permission of the 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 for Transport

12th January 2023

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### **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 2023 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships which are scheduled to take place there from 1st July 2023 to 17th July 2023 (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.

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), the Championships Safety Officer may be contacted as notified.

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

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 0330 138 2471.