

2012 No. 708

CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon)
Regulations 2012**

Made - - - - *6th March 2012*

Coming into force - - *25th June 2012*

The Secretary of State deems it necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Wimbledon, London Borough of Merton by reason of the holding of the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships that are scheduled to take place between 25th June and 9th July 2012.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 161 of the Air Navigation Order 2009(a).

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon) Regulations 2012 and come into force on 25th June 2012.

2. In regulation 3 all times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time.

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) between 0900 and 2300 on each day beginning with 25th June 2012 and ending on 9th July 2012, 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 mile whose centre is at 512601N 0001250W.

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

- (a) operated by the Metropolitan Police Service,
- (b) operated by the service of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services,
- (c) making an approach to, or departing from, London Heathrow Airport whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre at Swanwick, or
- (d) flying in accordance with the authority of Superintendent Peter Dobson of the Metropolitan Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

J Parkinson
Head of Aviation Policy Development
Department for Transport

6th March 2012

(a) S.I. 2009/3015, to which there are amendments that are not relevant to these Regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships will take place at the All England Lawn Tennis Club, Wimbledon between 25th June and 9th July 2012. This event will be open to the general public, and an estimated 45,000 persons are expected to attend this event on each day; therefore the Metropolitan Police has requested that restrictions be imposed on flying in the vicinity of the Championships on public safety and security grounds. These have been agreed with the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport.

In relation to the authority mentioned in regulation 3(2)(d), Superintendent Peter Dobson may be contacted on telephone 07801 570030 or through the Police Control Room (Silver Control) on telephone 0208 649 3091.

Full details of the restrictions will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular and NOTAM.

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority can be made to Mr R E J Gratton, DAP Airspace Specialist 6, Telephone 020 7453 6586.