

**2019 No. 240**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon)  
Regulations 2019**

*Made* - - - - *7th February 2019*

*Coming into force* - - *29th June 2019*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary 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 persons at the 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 2019 and come into force on 29th June 2019.

**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 17 days beginning with 29th June 2019 and ending with 15th July 2019, 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 miles whose centre is at 512601N 0001250W.

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

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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

7th February 2019

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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 2019 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships which are scheduled to take place there from 29th June to 15th July 2019 (inclusive). This event will be open to the general public, and an estimated 45,000 persons are expected to attend this event on 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 with the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport.

In relation to regulation 3, the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Air Navigation Order 2016. It also includes, by virtue of article 23 of that Order, any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2)(d), Peter Dobson, the Championships Safety Officer, may be contacted on telephone number 07801 570030, or through the Event Emergency Control Room on telephone number 020 8897 2430, or through the Police Emergency Control Room (Silver Control) on telephone number 020 8897 2666.

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) and Notice To Airmen (NOTAM).

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority may be made to Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 07917 614249.