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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Wimbledon)
Regulations 2018**

Made - - - - 16th January 2018

Coming into force - - 30th June 2018

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 2018 and come into force on 30th June 2018.

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 0800 and 2200 on each day beginning on 30th June 2018 and ending with 16th July 2018, 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 of a nautical mile 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.

(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).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Sarah Bishop
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

16th January 2018

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships (the Championships) will take place at the All England Lawn Tennis Club, Wimbledon, from 30th June to 16th July 2018, 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, therefore the Championships Safety Officer has 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 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 Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the authority mentioned in regulation 3(2)(d), the Championships Safety Officer, Peter Dobson may be contacted on telephone number 07801 570030, or through the Event Emergency Control Room on telephone number 0208 897 2430, or through the Police Emergency Control Room (Silver Control) on telephone number 0208 897 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 020 7453 6586.