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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Finchley)
Regulations 2026**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>20th April 2026</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>21st April 2026</i>

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of a large gathering of persons in the vicinity of Finchley, London.

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) (Finchley) Regulations 2026 and they come into force on 21st April 2026.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time^(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), beginning with 1200 hours and ending with 2359 hours on 21st April 2026 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,400 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 1.25 nautical miles which is centred at 513523N 0001159W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the Metropolitan Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

20th April 2026

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(a) S.I. 2016/765, amended by S.I. 2024/990; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.
(b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Finchley, London on 21st April 2026. At the request of the Metropolitan Police Service, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted at that location for reasons of public safety and security.

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 Metropolitan Police Service may be contacted as notified.

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by 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 03301 382471.