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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Principality
Stadium, Cardiff) (No. 2) Regulations 2026**

Made - - - -

28th July 2026

Coming into force - -

16th August 2026

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 the intending gathering there of a large number of persons.

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) (Principality Stadium, Cardiff) (No. 2) Regulations 2026 and they come into force on 16th August 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), during the period beginning with 1200 hours and ending with 1730 hours on 16th August 2026 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 1,100 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.5 of a nautical mile which is centred at 512842N 0031057W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply—

- (a) insofar as flying is already prohibited by the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Prisons and Young Offender Institutions) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023^(c), or
- (b) to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the South Wales Police Drone Team.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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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).
^(c) S.I. 2023/1101.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of the Principality Stadium, Cardiff, Wales on 16th August 2026 where there will be a gathering of a large number of persons. The Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport agree that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft at that location for reasons of public safety and security.

These Regulations apply except insofar as flying is already prohibited by the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Prisons and Young Offender Institutions) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1101).

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)(b), the South Wales Police Drone Team may be contacted as notified.

Full details of these Regulations will be promulgated by Briefing Sheet 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 03301 382471.