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Airspace Restrictions



## RESTRICTION OF FLYING REGULATIONS: BRITISH GRAND PRIX SILVERSTONE, 03 - 05 JULY 2026

- 1 The 2026 British Grand Prix will be held at Silverstone early in **July 2026**. During this time, many helicopters will be engaged in private and public transport of spectators to and from Silverstone and Turweston Aerodrome, as well as the gathering of large crowds at the event.
  - 2 The Secretary of State for Transport has, therefore, decided that it is necessary to introduce Restriction of Flying Regulations under Article 239 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 encompassing the area containing Silverstone (and associated helicopter holding patterns) and Turweston Aerodrome.
  - 3 A Restricted Area (Temporary) will be established for both Turweston and Silverstone on the **03, 04 and 05 July 2026**.
  - 4 Subject to paragraph 6, during the periods specified in paragraph 5, no aircraft is to fly below 3500 FT AMSL within the area bounded by a circle radius 5.5 NM centred at 520351N 0010056W.
  - 5 The periods referred to in paragraph 4 begin with:
    - a) **0800 hours and end with 1800 hours on 03 July 2026;**
    - b) **0700 hours and end with 1900 hours on 04 July 2026;** and
    - c) **0600 hours and end with 2000 hours on 05 July 2026.**
  - 6 Paragraph 4 does not apply to any aircraft:
    - a) operating in accordance with the permission of the ATCU at Silverstone Heliport who may be contacted on Channel 134.555 (Silverstone Arrival), or via telephone at 01202-098013 or via email at: [atc@helipad.co.uk](mailto:atc@helipad.co.uk); or
    - b) operated by or on behalf of:
      - i. a Police Air Support Unit; or
      - ii. an Emergency Medical Service.
- Essential information**
- 7 AIC Y 066/2026 contains information on the airspace arrangements for the British Grand Prix Silverstone. Pilots operating to/from aerodromes located adjacent to this event or transiting the area are strongly recommended to familiarise themselves with the contents of this circular which is issued to promote flight safety.
  - 8 An area within the Restricted Area (Temporary) is designated as Turweston Operating Area. Aircraft inbound to Turweston must make initial contact with Silverstone Arrival for permission to enter the Turweston Operating Area.
  - 9 Turweston Flight Centre will supply pilots operating to/from the aerodrome with a copy of the procedures applicable throughout this event.
  - 10 A temporary ATZ will also be established at Silverstone Heliport and will be notified by NOTAM.
  - 11 Pilots transiting the area are advised that a number of communications relay helicopters may be operating in the airspace above the Restricted Area (Temporary).

The area surrounding the Restricted Area (Temporary) will be subject to Intense Aerial Activity due to traffic routing around the confines of the restricted airspace. This traffic may include rotary-wing, fixed-wing and aircraft formations. Pilots of all aircraft operating in the vicinity of the Silverstone Restricted Area (Temporary) must keep a good lookout for conflicting traffic which may be flying on a multiplicity of flight paths.
  - 12 The times mentioned in this circular are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC), which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

- 13 In relation to this document, the term 'aircraft' includes any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than 2 KG, any unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute or paramotor.
- 14 Details of Restricted Airspace feature in the daily AIS Information Line message 08085-354802 and 01489-887515 and will be included on the Pre-flight Information Bulletins (PIB) through the AIS Website at [www.nats.aero/ais](http://www.nats.aero/ais).
- 15 Further enquiries can be made to Mr David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group at the Civil Aviation Authority via [david.ridley@caa.co.uk](mailto:david.ridley@caa.co.uk).

