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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2004 No. 1737**

**SPORTS GROUNDS AND SPORTING EVENTS**

**Football Spectators (Seating) Order 2004**

*Made* - - - - 7th July 2004  
*Laid before Parliament* 7th July 2004  
*Coming into force* - - 1st August 2004

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by section 11(1) to (3) of the Football Spectators Act 1989(1), and after consulting the Football Licensing Authority in accordance with section 11(4) of that Act, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Football Spectators (Seating) Order 2004 and shall come into force on 1st August 2004.

**Commencement Information**

**I1** Art. 1 in force at 1.8.2004, see [art. 1](#)

**Direction**

2.—(1) The Secretary of State hereby directs the Football Licensing Authority as set out in paragraph (2) below.

(2) When granting any licence to admit spectators(2) to the premises specified in column (1) of Schedule 1 and further identified in column (2) of that Schedule by the name of the football club of which they are the home ground, it shall include a condition imposing the requirements, as respects the seating of spectators at designated football matches(3), specified in Schedule 2.

**Commencement Information**

**I2** Art. 2 in force at 1.8.2004, see [art. 1](#)

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(1) [1989 c. 37](#)

(2) A “licence to admit spectators” is defined in section 1(7) of the Football Spectators Act 1989.

(3) “Designated football match” is defined in section 1(2) of the Football Spectators Act 1989 and in [S.I 2000/3331](#).

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7th July 2004

*Tessa Jowell*  
Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(2)

PREMISES IN RESPECT OF WHICH A CONDITION IMPOSING  
REQUIREMENTS AS RESPECTS THE SEATING OF SPECTATORS  
AT DESIGNATED FOOTBALL MATCHES SHALL BE IMPOSED

**Commencement Information**

**I3** Sch. 1 in force at 1.8.2004, see [art. 1](#)

*(1) Address of the premises*

*(2) Football club of which the premises are  
the home ground*

Millmoor Football Ground

Rotherham United Football Club

Rotherham

S60 1HR

JJB Stadium

Wigan Athletic Football Club

Loire Drive

Robin Park

Wigan

Lancashire

WN5 0UH

SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(2)

REQUIREMENTS TO BE IMPOSED

1. Only seated accommodation shall be provided for spectators at a designated football match.

**Commencement Information**

**I4** Sch. 2 para. 1 in force at 1.8.2004, see [art. 1](#)

2. Spectators shall only be admitted to watch a designated football match from seated accommodation.

**Commencement Information**

**I5** Sch. 2 para. 2 in force at 1.8.2004, see [art. 1](#)

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order directs the Football Licensing Authority to include in any licence to admit spectators to the football grounds specified in Schedule 1 a condition imposing the requirements specified in Schedule 2 as respects the seating of spectators at designated football matches. “Designated football matches” are those association football matches designated by the Secretary of State under the powers conferred by section 1(2) of the Football Spectators Act 1989, and they include all association football matches played at the premises specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this Order.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:**

- [Order revoked by S.I. 2022/728 Sch. 3 para. 12](#)