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**SPORTS GROUNDS AND SPORTING EVENTS,  
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Football Spectators (Seating) Order 2012**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>6th June 2012</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>8th June 2012</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>1st July 2012</i>

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 11 of the Football Spectators Act 1989(a). In accordance with section 11(4) of that Act he has consulted the Sports Grounds Safety Authority.

**Citation and Commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Football Spectators (Seating) Order 2012 and comes into force on 1st July 2012.

**Direction**

2.—(1) The Secretary of State directs the Sports Grounds Safety Authority as set out in paragraph (2).

(2) When granting any licence to admit spectators(b) 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, the Sports Grounds Safety Authority must include in that licence a condition imposing the requirements, as respects the seating of spectators at designated football matches(c), specified in Schedule 2.

6th June 2012

*Hugh Robertson*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State  
Department for Culture, Media and Sport

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(a) 1989 c.37; section 1(6A), which defines “the licensing authority” as meaning the Sports Grounds Safety Authority, was inserted by Schedule 2 to the Sports Grounds Safety Authority Act 2011 (c.6).  
(b) See section 1(7) of the Football Spectators Act 1989.  
(c) See section 1(2) of the Football Spectators Act 1989 and the Football Spectators (Designation of Football Matches in England and Wales) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/3331).

## SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(2)

### Premises in respect of which a condition imposing requirements about the seating of spectators at designated football matches must be imposed

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(1) *Address of the premises*

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

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New York Stadium  
Don Street  
Rotherham  
S60 1AH

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Rotherham United Football Club (RUFC)  
Limited

## SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(2)

### Requirements to be imposed

1. Only seated accommodation is to be provided for spectators at a designated football match.
2. Spectators are only to be admitted to watch a designated football match from seated accommodation.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order directs the Sports Grounds Safety Authority to include in any licence to admit spectators to the New York Stadium a condition imposing the requirements that only seated accommodation is to be provided for spectators at a designated football match and that spectators are only to be admitted to watch such a match from seated accommodation. In order to admit spectators to a designated football match, which would include any association football match played at this ground, a licence is required under the Football Spectators Act 1989.

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

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