

# No fly zones over prisons to reduce criminal activity

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Virtual no-fly zones created around prison airspace

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Legislation has established no-fly zones within 400 metres of closed prisons or young offender institutions in England and Wales, making it an automatic offence to fly drones in these areas. Violators could face fines or imprisonment.

By creating a virtual no-fly zone around prison airspace, police and prison staff will be able to identify suspicious drones. This means they will be able to take swift action against suspected criminal activity, as well as enhancing security by preventing illegal filming.

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