



Rugby World Cup 2015

The Rugby World Cup starts this Friday, 18 September, and closes on Saturday 31 October.

For the next six weeks, London will be hosting three of the national Rugby World Cup venues as well as a number of fanzones. During that time there will be road changes and special arrangements in place for taxis and private hire vehicles (PHVs), and you will need to allow more time to make your journeys, as roads in the area will be exceptionally busy.

The Stadium, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park

Montfichet Road and Westfield Avenue will be closed when matches are taking place at the Stadium. The road closures are expected to come into effect around 45 minutes before each match ends and once in place the taxi ranks in Montfichet Road (Stratford Station) and Westfield Avenue (The Cow Pub) will not be available.

Instead, a marshalled taxi rank will operate in Warton Road/Montfichet Road. Access to this will be from the High Street and Warton Road.

The taxi ranks in Roundhouse Lane and Meridian Square will continue to operate throughout matches.

Private hire drivers can drop off and pick up pre-booked passengers on Waterden Road, Carpenters Road or International Way.

Information about the traffic impact around the Stadium is available on the TfL website [here](#).

Twickenham Stadium

Taxi drivers will be able to drop off passengers in London Road, between Cole Road and March Road, before the match kicks off.

There will be two taxi ranks in operation at Twickenham Stadium:

- London Road – the rank is opposite March Road and extends back to Cole Road. It is for approximately 24 taxis.
- Arragon Road – the rank is for approximately 31 taxis

Private hire drivers will be able to drop off passengers in London Road, between Chertsey Road and Cole Road, before the match.

Private hire drivers with pre-bookings will also be able to pick up their passengers in the same location after the match. There will be stewards checking that drivers have a booking and controlling access to the private hire

pick up area. Only private hire drivers who can show that they have a pre-booking will be permitted access.

A shuttle service will operate from London Road for any disabled taxi or private hire passengers who need assistance getting to the stadium.

Several roads around the stadium, including a section of the A316 between London Road and Hospital Bridge Road, will be closed to general traffic for three hours before kick-off, during the match and two hours after the match. Information about the traffic impact around Twickenham Stadium is available on the TfL website [here](#).

Wembley Stadium

Taxi and private hire passengers can be dropped off around Wembley Stadium where stopping is permitted prior to matches kicking off. Taxi and private hire drivers must not park or wait on Wembley Park Drive or Bridge Road and must take care not to obstruct buses or other vehicles.

The taxi rank at Wembley Park Station will operate as normal on match days.

PHV drivers should agree where they will pick up passengers who have made a booking and ensure that this is outside of the road closures area.

Information about the traffic impact around Wembley Stadium is available on the TfL website [here](#).

Matches

The dates of the matches to be played in London are in the table below:

Date	Match	Venue	Start time	Capacity
Fri 18 Sep 2015	Opening Ceremony and England v Fiji	Twickenham Stadium	19:00	81,605
Sat 19 Sep 2015	France v Italy	Twickenham Stadium	20:00	81,605
Sun 20 Sep 2015	New Zealand v Argentina	Wembley Stadium	16:45	90,000
Wed 23 Sep 2015	France v Romania	Olympic Stadium	20:00	54,000
Thu 24 Sep 2015	New Zealand v Namibia	Olympic Stadium	20:00	54,000
Sat 26 Sep 2015	England v Wales	Twickenham Stadium	20:00	81,605
Sun 27 Sep 2015	Ireland v Romania	Wembley Stadium	16:45	90,000
Sat 3 Oct 2015	England v Australia	Twickenham Stadium	20:00	81,605
Sun 4 Oct 2015	Ireland v Italy	Twickenham Stadium	16:45	81,605
Wed 7 Oct 2015	South Africa v USA	Olympic Stadium	16:45	54,000

Date	Match	Venue	Start time	Capacity
Sat 10 Oct 2015	Australia v Wales	Twickenham Stadium	16:45	81,605
Sat 17 Oct 2015	Quarter-Final	Twickenham Stadium	16:00	81,605
Sun 18 Oct 2015	Quarter-Final	Twickenham Stadium	16:45	81,605
Sat 24 Oct 2015	Semi-Final	Twickenham Stadium	16:00	81,605
Sun 25 Oct 2015	Semi-Final	Twickenham Stadium	16:00	81,605
Fri 30 Oct 2015	Bronze Final	Olympic Stadium	20:00	54,000
Sat 31 Oct 2015	Final	Twickenham Stadium	16:00	81,605

Fanzones

During the tournament there will be Fanzones at each venue. More information about these is available on the Rugby World Cup website:

- [Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park Fanzone](#) – the Fanzone is next to the Olympic Stadium
- [Twickenham Fanzone](#) – the Fanzone is in Old Deer Park
- [Wembley Stadium Fanzone](#) – the Fanzone is next to Wembley Stadium

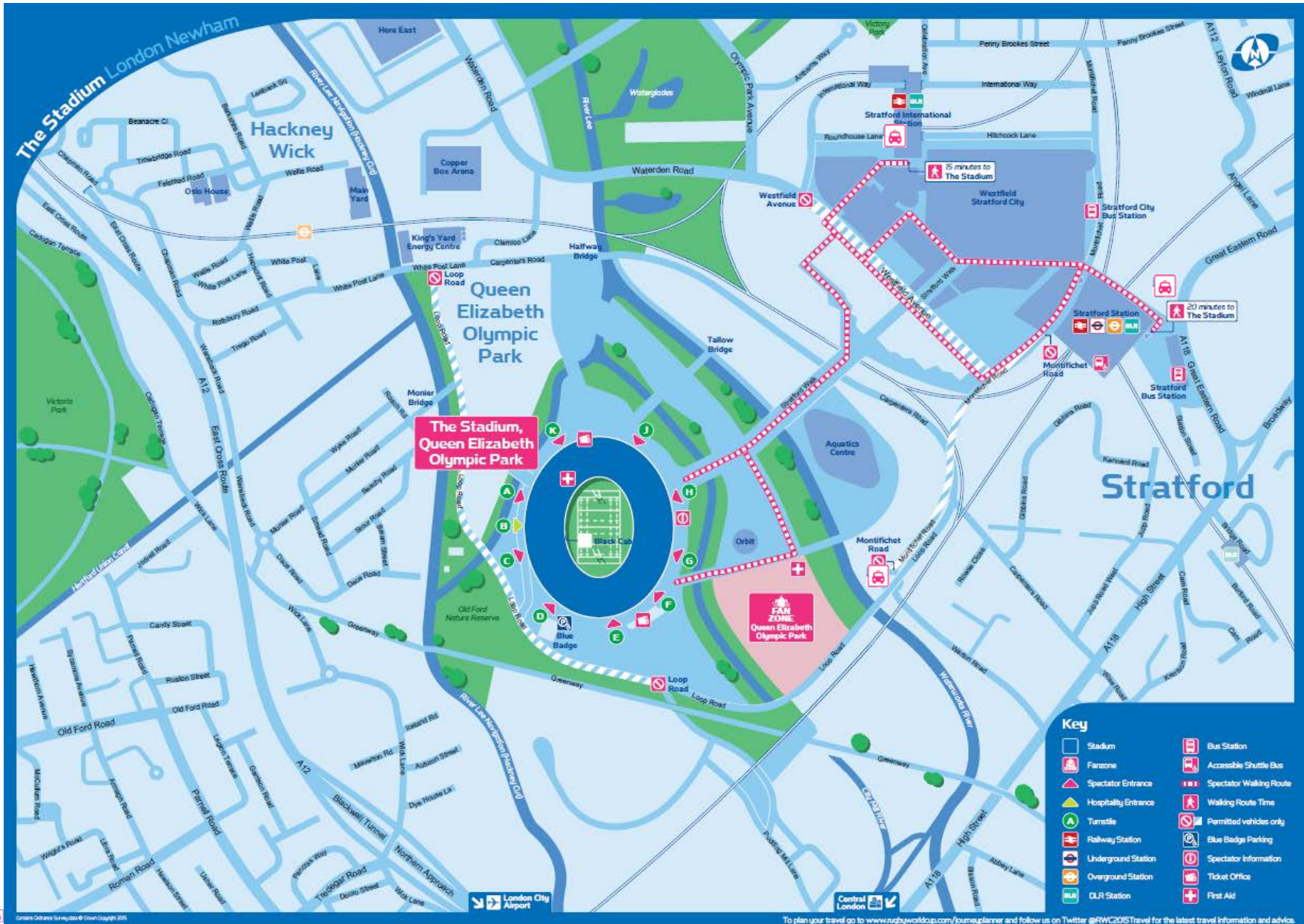
There will also be a Fanzone in [Trafalgar Square](#) with rugby-themed activities taking place. On Saturday 31 October 2015 the final match will be screened in Trafalgar Square. During the screening of the final, the roads around Trafalgar Square will be closed between 12:00 and 22:00.



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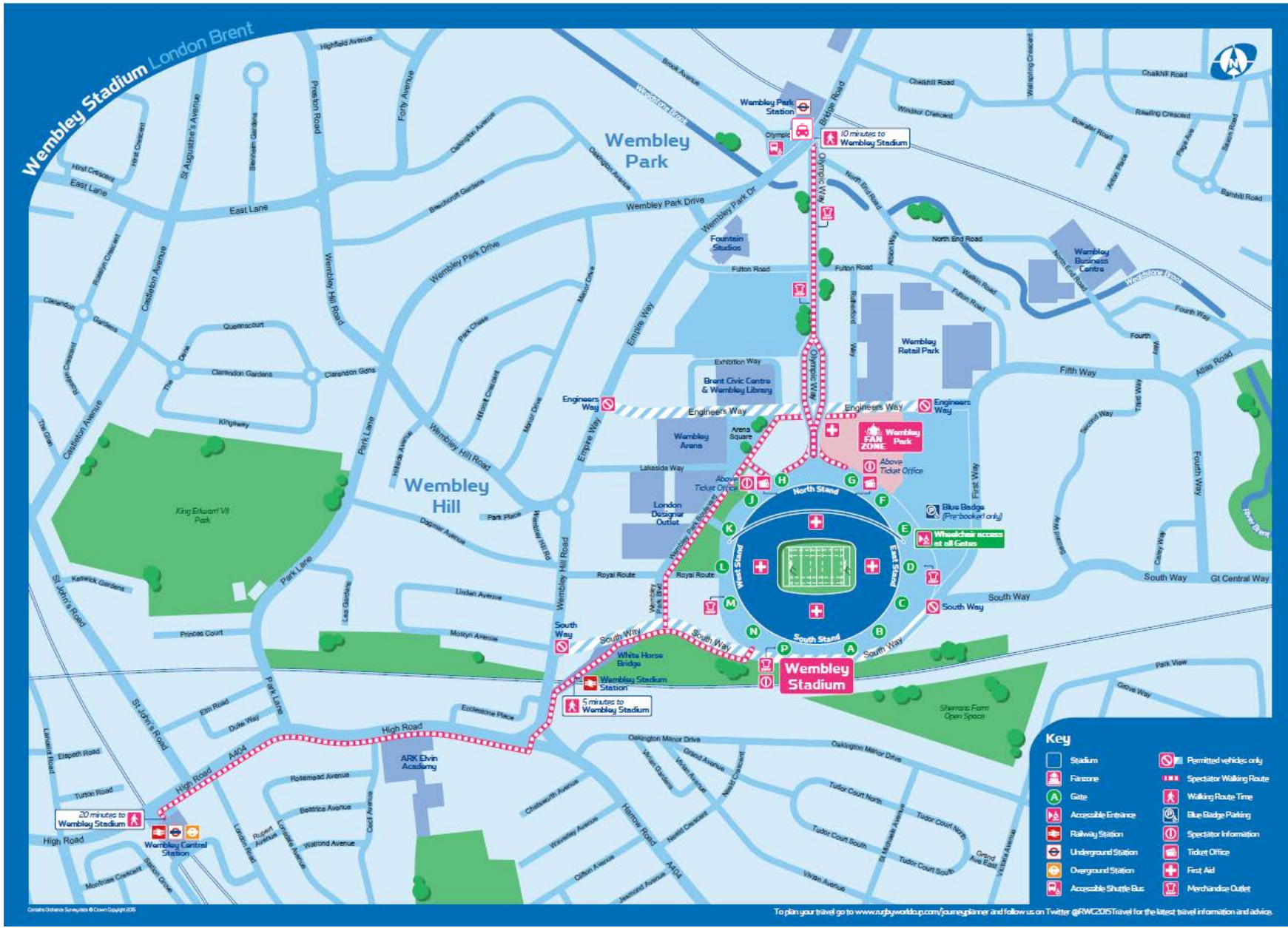
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