

# Helicopter crash sparks London emergency

Two people were killed and nine injured after a helicopter crashed into a crane on top of the 50-storey St George Wharf Tower in misty conditions. The helicopter hit the crane on top of the 50-storey St George Wharf Tower at around 08:00 GMT

**Agusta AW109:** Eight-seater, first flew 1971.

Top speed: 154 knots (285km/h)

Range: 925km



2km  
1.25 miles

Pilot on commercial flight from Redhill to Elstree requests to divert to Battersea Heliport due to bad weather

## Flight paths

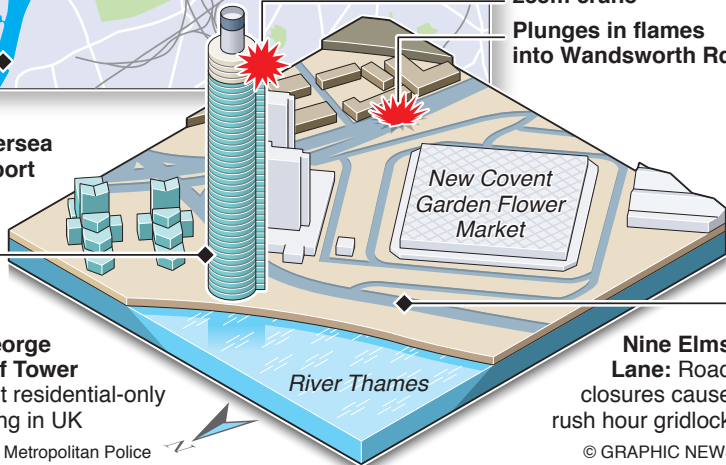
Follow course of **River Thames**. Regulations require 150m clearance of buildings

**Helicopter banks left, hits jib of 235m crane**

**Plunges in flames into Wandsworth Rd**



**Battersea Heliport**



**St George Wharf Tower**  
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Source: Metropolitan Police

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