

Tommy Robinson 'arrested' under Covid regulations at Hyde Park protest

From [an event in Hyde Park](#) on Sunday afternoon.

The maskless former English Defence League leader was filmed struggling in handcuffs as around 20 officers tried to clear a path to a police van through a shouting crowd.

In another video, the 37-year-old was shown visibly upset as he was being detained, shouting at officers "you're breaking my arm" and "I haven't done anything wrong".

The Metropolitan Police said in a statement to LBC: "Officers were policing an assembly at speakers corner, Hyde Park on Sunday, 1 November.

"At 14:44hrs a man aged in his 30's was arrested under the coronavirus regulations for holding or being involved in the holding of the event. He has been taken to police custody."

First – It wasn't a protest. Even if it was, protests like Black Lives Matter and Extinction Rebellion have been permitted so long as an illusion of social distancing has been maintained. But it wasn't a protest; it was the usual Sunday afternoon attendance of speakers at Speakers Corner which has been permitted all spring and summer, as evidenced by