

The Poole Harbour Boat Race

Poole Harbour is one of the largest natural harbours in the world. It is a very busy place. Cargo ships come in and out of the Port of Poole. Ferries take people to and from France and the Channel Islands. Fishermen catch fish and gather shellfish from the harbour. It is also a great place for sailing, windsurfing, water-skiing and many other watersports.

All these activities have to be managed so that the harbour is a safe place and its wildlife, which is of international importance, is not disturbed or destroyed.....A challenge!

Are you up for the challenge? Take a trip around Poole Harbour...

The Rules

1. The game can be played with 2 to 6 players. Choose your craft and throw the die. The highest number starts.
2. Each player throws the die in turn and proceeds around the harbour. You must throw a 6 to begin, then throw again to start moving around the board.
3. The aim of the game is to collect all 6 boat cards by landing on each of the green boat spotters' spaces. You must then return to the slipway to finish.
4. At each green boat spotters' space, you must miss a turn while you are boat spotting. No other player can occupy a boat spotters' space while you are on it – they must wait. You must throw the exact number to land on a boat spotters' space. If you throw a higher number, you cannot pass the space.
5. You may proceed in any direction around the harbour and may choose short-cuts. N.B. before you decide which way to go, consider which boats you need to collect, where the other players are, which boats they need and whether you want to gamble on a short-cut (you might be unlucky and go aground!).

Are you up to the Poole Harbour challenge?



Find out more about the harbour by looking up the numbered question marks on the "Did You Know...?" sheet



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