



POOLE HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS
LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS
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Poole Harbour Speed Limits

Mariners are advised that in accordance with Poole Harbour byelaw 2(aa) speed restrictions are relaxed within the Wareham Channel, Middle Ship Channel and North Channel during the period 1st October to 31st March.

Mariners are reminded byelaw 2(a) still applies which states that "every vessel shall be navigated with care and caution and at such speed and in such a manner as not to endanger the lives of or cause injury or be a nuisance to persons or endanger the safety of or cause damage to other vessels, moorings, buoys, beacons or other property."

The speed limits still apply throughout the rest of the harbour, especially 6 knots in Little Channel and Holes Bay, and 10 knots in the Harbour entrance area between Bell Buoy and 1400 metres from South Haven Point.

Speeding and excessive wash offences are taken very seriously and may result in prosecution.

CCTV is in operation in Poole Harbour. Recorded video may be used in evidence to prosecute byelaw offenders.

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HARBOUR MASTER



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