

### Poole Harbour Speed Limits

**MARINERS ARE ADVISED** that the winter relaxation of the 10 knot speed limit applying within the Wareham, North and Middle Ship Channels up to the Bell Buoy will be withdrawn as usual at 00:01 on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.

At this time, and in accordance with Poole Harbour byelaw 2(aa), a speed restriction of 10 knots through the water, will once again be in force covering all of the harbour's waters up to 1400 metres seaward of South Haven Point, excluding the areas covered by Byelaw 2(b) where slower limits apply.

Mariners are reminded that in accordance with Poole Harbour Byelaw 2(b), a year-round speed limit of 6 knots through the water continues to be in force in Little Channel (from Stakes Buoy to Poole Town Quay), between the quays and Holes Bay.

Mariners are also reminded of byelaw 2(a):

**“Within the limits of Poole Harbour, every vessel shall be navigated with care and caution and at such speed and in such 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”.** This includes **WATCHING YOUR WASH** which may require you to navigate at a speed less than the limit when navigating against the tidal flow and/or when close to harbour users, wildlife or property more vulnerable to wash.

Please also observe the Quiet Areas, shown on the chartlet, where a 6 knot speed limit through the water is requested.

**Mariners are reminded that Radar, AIS, CCTV, Telephone and VHF Channels are recorded 24/7**

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Water Sport Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.

NTM 29 of 2023 is hereby cancelled. This notice will be in force until cancelled by a further notice.

**HARRY GREGORY**  
**HARBOUR MASTER**

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