

## Waterskiing and Wakeboarding

**MARINERS ARE ADVISED** that Waterskiing and Wakeboarding may only take place in the Designated Waterski Area within and alongside the Wareham Channel to the North of the Arne peninsula (see chartlet to the right including yellow buoy positions). In order to comply with Byelaw 2(e), vessels must be in possession of a Waterski Permit and Harbour Dues. Vessels engaged in waterskiing in this area are exempt from the speed limit in this area (other vessels are not). All craft nonetheless remain bound by the obligation to set a safe speed based on weather conditions and level of other users of this shared area which often includes vulnerable sailing dinghies, rowing boats and paddlecraft.



Waterski Permits and Harbour Dues can be purchased via the [website](#), the Harbour Office or Poole Quay Boat Haven. The following conditions apply:

- The vessel must have a name which is clearly visible from outboard.
- Owners of vessels must be covered by insurance for third party risks, including water-skiing.
- There must be a minimum of two persons in the boat while towing a skier (1x helm and 1x lookout astern).
- Ski boats must navigate around the designated area in an ant-clockwise direction.
- Water-skiing/wakeboarding is permitted only between sunrise and sunset.
- Towed inflatables and parasailing are not allowed anywhere within Poole Harbour limits.
- The Harbour Master may order the withdrawal of a permit without refund for an infringement of conditions.
- Serious or persistent offences may lead to prosecution under the Poole Harbour byelaws.

**PWC users are reminded that CCTV, radar, telephone and VHF Channels are recorded 24-7.**

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Watersports Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft. LNTM 27 of 2020 is hereby replaced by this notice. LNTM 25 of 2020 is hereby replaced by this notice.

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

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