

# River Thames - Henley Royal Regatta

## Wednesday 29 June to Sunday 03 July 2016

## General directions for navigation and mooring:

Those in charge of boats must conform with these directions and with any special directions which, at the discretion of the Harbourmaster, may be required in particular circumstances during these dates.

#### 1. Navigation

- (a) All boats must navigate in accordance with instructions given from Environment Agency control points or patrol launches.
- (b) From 6am until half an hour after the end of racing on each of the above dates the navigation of all boats (except those authorised by the Environment Agency) will be restricted as follows:
  - (i) **Manually propelled boats** can navigate outside the regatta course and practice area and can, if necessary, cross the course through the openings in the booms as long as a race is not in progress.
  - (ii) **Powered boats** can **only** navigate in the navigation channel outside the regatta course and practice area on the right, Oxfordshire/Buckinghamshire side of the river, between the control points **upstream of Henley Bridge and downstream of Temple Island** as long as they **do not stop or turn**, or otherwise impede or interfere with the Regatta or the navigation of any other boats.
  - (iii) Sailing boats can navigate only with oars as in (i) above or mechanical power as in (ii) above and must not hoist their sail(s).
  - (iv) All Boats must navigate at slow speed with extreme care and caution on the side of the navigation channel which lies on the starboard side of these boats and will give way to any racing boats proceeding to the start of the regatta course.
  - (v) No directions contained in this notice shall supersede those parts of Byelaw 24 of the Thames Navigation Licensing and General Byelaws 1993 as may be relevant.
- (c) No boats (except those authorised by the Environment Agency) are allowed to navigate or moor within the regatta course booms or practice area.

### 2. Mooring

- (a) No mooring is allowed to any of the piles of the regatta course or boxes.
- (b) Boats must not be moored unattended alongside the regatta course booms.
- (c) Un-powered boats can moor to the towpath alongside the regatta course one abreast only and as long as no obstruction is caused.
- (d) Un-powered boats can moor to the booms outside the regatta course (except in the practice area or in the area known as The Narrows), as long as no obstruction is caused. (The Narrows is indicated with an X on the map overleaf).
- (e) Powered boats must not moor to the towpath alongside the regatta course or practice area between 6am and half an hour after racing on each day.
- (f) Open powered boats, i.e. those without awnings or cabins, may moor one abreast only to the regatta course booms on the right, Bucks./Fawley side, downstream of the course pile marked with a notice to this effect, as long as no obstruction is caused to the navigation channel. **Other powered boats must not moor to the regatta course booms.**
- (g) No mooring is allowed to the banks or booms in the area between the mooring prohibition notices at The Narrows, or to the course booms from The Narrows to Temple Island.

Furthermore, we hereby advise that the regatta course including all of the piles, booms and boxes are the property of Henley Royal Regatta. The Regatta may choose to take civil action against any person who causes damage to their structures.

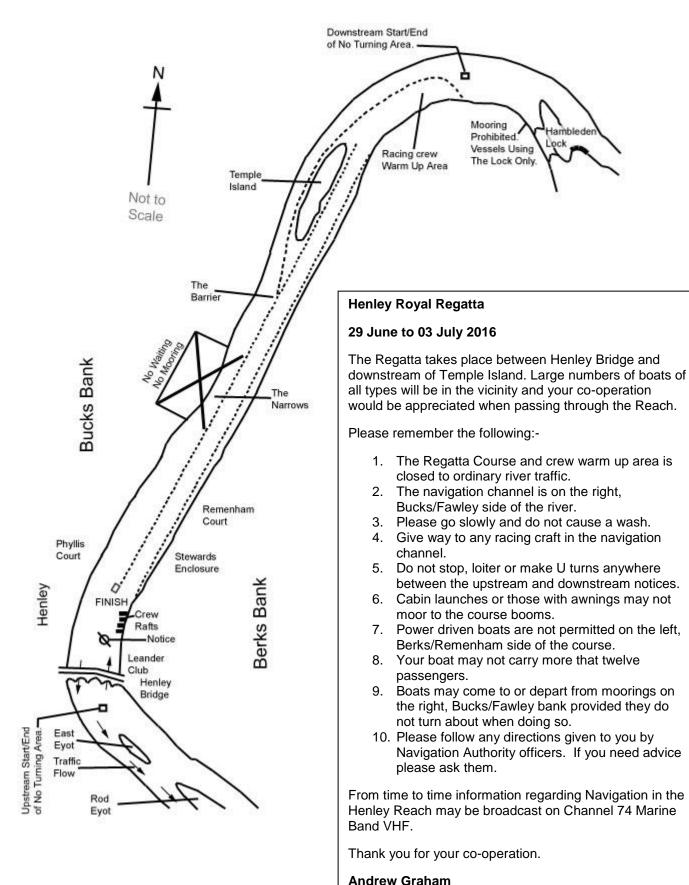
Owners and masters off all boats are reminded that it is an offence for boats to carry more than twelve passengers unless a valid maritime and coastguard agency passenger carrying certificate is shown on board.

It is an offence to fail to conform with the directions in this notice or to obstruct an officer of the Environment Agency in the execution of their duty or to fail to obey directions given regarding the navigation, mooring or unmooring of any boat.

Bathing or swimming is prohibited at any time during between Henley Bridge and the end of the practice area downstream of Temple Island.

Andrew Graham Harbourmaster 19 May 2016

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