

River Thames – river restriction

Molesey Reach

Grand Junction Island to the downstream end of Platt's Eyot

Saturday 15 to Sunday 16 July 2017 – 8am to 6pm

Molesey Amateur Regatta

Directions for navigation and general information during this event:

- The navigation channel shall be established on the right, north/non-towpath side of the river. This shall include the right hand channel around Platt's Eyot which shall remain unaltered.
- Racing boats will be using a buoyed channel between Grand Junction Island and the downstream end of Platt's Eyot on the left, south side of the river, including the left hand channel around Platt's Eyot which will be closed to normal navigation.
- Regatta boards will mark the upstream and downstream extent of the course.
- Masters of all boats to maintain a safe speed and lookout between Grand Junction Island and the downstream end of Platt's Eyot.
- All boats must be navigated in accordance with any instructions given from Environment Agency control points or patrol launches.
- Those in charge of boats should be aware that they are responsible for avoiding collision and should use all available means appropriate to the circumstances and conditions to decide if there is a risk of immediate danger and avoid it.

N.B. All directions as to river left and river right are given looking upstream.

Barry Russell MBE
Harbourmaster
31 May 2017

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Nothing contained in these directions shall supersede those parts of the Thames Navigation Licensing and General Byelaws 1993 as may be relevant.

And Notice is hereby given, that it is provided by Byelaw 52 of the Thames Navigation Licensing and General Byelaws, 1993 that:

The master of any vessel shall except in an emergency not pass any boat-race regatta public procession or gathering for the launch of a vessel or any other event or function which may cause a crowd to assemble on or by the river nor station his vessel thereon in such a manner as would risk obstructing impeding or interfering with such boat-race regatta procession launching event or function or endangering the safety of persons assembling on the river or preventing or interfering with the maintenance of order thereon.

The maximum penalty for breach of the Byelaws is £1,000

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