

River Thames – river restriction

Iffley Reach

Iffley Lock to Folly Bridge

Friday 18 May 2018 – 1pm to 5:30pm

Wednesday 23 to Saturday 26 May 2018 – 10:30am to 7pm

Rowing On and Summer Eights

Directions for navigation and general information during this event:

- All those in charge of boats must pay attention to advice offered by official regatta marshals, to give racing boats a fair and clear passage particularly when they are rowing to the start area.
- Racing will be held at half-hourly intervals. Whilst racing is in progress, the marshals may request boaters to moor at one of the designated mooring points and wait, for a period of no longer than 15 minutes until the current race has finished, before proceeding up or downstream through the course.
- Regatta boards will mark the upstream and downstream extent of the course.
- Masters of all boats should maintain a safe speed and lookout between Iffley Lock and Folly Bridge.
- **Mooring is prohibited between Iffley Lock and Longbridges from midday on Tuesday 22 May to 7pm on Saturday 26 May 2018.**
- 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.
- Bathing is not allowed in the river on or near the course during the hours of racing.

Barry Russell MBE
Harbourmaster
04 May 2018

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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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