

PADSTOW HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

BYELAWS 1991

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Navigation under Influence of Drink and Drugs Prohibited:

- (1) No person shall navigate any vessel in the Port whilst under the influence of drink and drugs to such an extent as to be incapable of taking proper control of the vessel.
- (2) No master or owner of a vessel shall knowingly cause or permit any person to navigate or attempt to navigate that vessel in contravention of this byelaw.

Persons under 16 years of Age

No person under the age of 16 years shall navigate or operate anywhere within the Port a power driven vessel which is capable of attaining a speed through the water in excess of 8 knots unless
In possession of an appropriate RYA Powerboat Level 2 qualification or unless accompanied by a competent and responsible person of 16 years or over, and no person shall cause or permit or encourage any person under the age of 16 years to navigate or operate such a vessel unless qualified or accompanied.

Obstruction of Black Tor Ferry Prohibited

The master of a vessel shall not navigate, manoeuvre, place, moor or anchor it so as intentionally to obstruct or impede the operation of the Black Tor Ferry which normally plies between Padstow Harbour and Rock.

Launching of Vessels

Unless he has the permission of the harbour master no person shall launch a vessel into the Port except from a public launching place or from a suitable private slip. Notices indicating public launching places shall be conspicuously posted by the harbour master in proximity to the places to which they relate.

Vessels to have Names marked on Them

The owner of a vessel which is not registered as a ship under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, or as a fishing vessel under the Merchant Shipping Act 1988, and marked accordingly, shall ensure that the vessel is marked conspicuously with its name or other means of identification unless otherwise exempted by the Commissioners.

Water-Skiing and Aquaplaning etc

No person shall within the Port engage or take part in, or operate a power driven vessel for the purpose of, waterskiing or aquaplaning or any similar waterborne activity except in such area or areas of the Port as the Commissioners may from time to time designate for the purpose, and in Accordance with such reasonable conditions as the Commissioners may impose.

Boardsailing , Windsurfing and Kitesurfing

No person shall engage or take part in boardsailing or windsurfing in the main buoyed fairway between Padstow and Trebetherick Point. Boardsailors wishing to cross the fairway shall do so by the shortest possible route. Also, there is also a ban imposed for kitesurfing between 10.00hrs and 18.00hrs for July and August.

Speed of Vessels

Subject to byelaw 5 of these byelaws and the Collision regulations no person shall, without the express permission of the harbour master, operate a power driven vessel or cause or permit a power driven vessel to be operated:-

- (a) Within any area prescribed in Schedule 1 hereto at a speed in excess of 8 knots over the ground;
- (b) Within any area prescribed in Schedule 2 hereto at a speed in excess of 5 knots over the ground;
- (c) Elsewhere in the Port at a speed in excess of 40 knots over the ground;

Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any vessel on any occasion when it is being used for the Commissioners' operations or for the police or firefighting or rescue operations in circumstances where such speed limit would be likely to hinder the use of the vessel for the purpose for which its being used on that occasion.

Schedule 1 – Areas of the Port in which the 8 knots speed limit shall apply

Padstow Harbour (Also minimum wash when passing ferry slipway)

The Approaches to Padstow Harbour

The Pool Moorings

Rock Moorings

Padstow Moorings

Old Town Cove (South of the Camel Trail)

Pinkson Creek (South of the Camel Trail)

Schedule 2 – Areas of the Port in which the 5 knots speed limit shall apply

Little Petherick Creek (South of the Camel Trail) – That part of the Port which is east of Line of Longitude 4 degrees 53.81 minutes west, but only to the north of a line of buoys laid on a general west-east bearing from a point with approx coordinates 50 degrees 31.10 minutes north and 4 degrees 53.81 minutes west to a point with approx coordinates 50 degrees 31.91 minutes north and 4 degrees 51.3 minutes west. - That part of the Port which is south of Trevilling Quay and Line of Latitude 50 degrees 31.4 minutes north.

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