

HAWKERS COVE & TREGIRLS

Small vessels should be aware of the "Doom Bar" an area which can create heavy breaking seas especially during strong tides or when there is a heavy swell running.

Approaches to Padstow Harbour  
• 12 knot (temporary) limit  
• Buoyed channel  
• Do not anchor  
• Smaller vessels not to impede larger vessels using the channel.

Moorings & Approaches to Harbour  
**8 KNOTS MAXIMUM SPEED AND MINIMUM WAKE WHEN PASSING FERRY SLIP.**

**WATERSKI AREA**

- All vessels wishing to tow skiers or inflatables must have a valid ski permit!
- Always ski anticlockwise.
- Approach rafts from seaward.
- No skiing within moorings or oyster beds.
- Keep within the marked ski area.

Rock Moorings  
**8 KNOTS MAX.**

ROCK

Mussel beds and floating oyster cages

Trevelver Shore, **5 KNOTS MAX** south of this zone is 40 Knots until Wadebridge (**5 KNOTS**)

PADSTOW

CANT COVE

GENTLE JANE (moorings)

LITTLE PETHERICK CREEK (**5 KNOTS**)

OLD TOWN COVE (moorings)

Mussel beds and floating oyster cages

PINKSON CREEK



**SPEED LIMITS**

Outside 8 & 5 knot zones, the speed limit within the estuary is 40 knots. Please be aware that this is a maximum speed but ALL vessels should travel at a SAFE SPEED with regard to traffic density, weather, etc. - (RULE 6). **BEWARE of swimmers in all areas** and reduce wake through mooring areas.

For more information please contact:  
Padstow Harbour Patrol (VHF 12/16).  
Padstow Harbour Office: 01841 532239  
or see our website:  
[www.padstow-harbour.co.uk](http://www.padstow-harbour.co.uk)



# PADSTOW HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS BYELAWS 1991

Below is an excerpt from the Byelaws  
A full copy is on display in the Harbour Office

## **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. Kitesurfing is not permitted between 10.00hrs and 18.00hrs during 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

Trevelver Shore

Wadebridge



PADSTOW HARBOUR  
COMMISSIONERS

**BYELAWS MAP**



**PORT SAFETY**



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