

### **River Thames – notice of event**

# 350 metres upstream of Osney Bridge to Kings Lock

### Sunday 20 September 2015 – 09.00 to 14.00

## Inter Canoe Club Championships

A major kayak race is taking place on Sunday 20 September 2015 between 09.00 and 14.00. The race is being held from 350 metres upstream of Osney Bridge to Kings Lock. There are various different course lengths within the overall area. There will be marshals stationed at the turning buoys, please look out for the marshals and pay attention to any advice they have to offer.

The normal rules of navigation will apply to both the racing kayakers and normal river traffic. The kayakers will be keeping to the right hand side of the river, except at the turning buoys. All those navigating this reach between the above times should pay particular attention to byelaws 24 – 42 of The Thames Navigation Licensing and General Byelaws 1993.

The effect of wash from powered boats can put the canoeists at greater risk of capsize, so please show consideration. When in the vicinity of canoes **Think ahead – slow down and check your wash.** 

Thank you for your co-operation.

Andrew Graham Harbourmaster 11 September 2015

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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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