

River Thames – notice of event

Eynsham Lock to 100 metres upstream of Godstow Bridge

Sunday 17 July 2016 – 7:30am to 10:30am

Oxford Swim, 6 kilometre Swim

Directions for navigation and general information during this event:

At 7:30 on Sunday 17 July 2016 swimmers will leave Eynsham Lock and will swim 6 kilometres downstream to a point 100 metres above Godstow Bridge.

They will hug the left bank (the towpath bank) of the river as they head downstream and will leave a clear navigation channel for boat traffic along the centre of the river. The swimmers will be wearing hi-visibility swim caps and will be escorted by canoe guards.

All river users are asked to keep a good look out for the swimmers, navigate slowly and with particular caution when in their vicinity and give them a wide berth.

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

**Andrew Graham
Harbourmaster
8 July 2016**

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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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