

River Thames – river restriction

Hampton Court Bridge to the Albany Pub

**Saturday 5th July 2014 and Sunday 6th July 2014 –
08:00 to 18:00**

National Sea Scout Regatta

Directions for navigation and general information during this event:

- Masters of all boats to maintain a safe speed and lookout from 250 metres upstream of the confluence of the River Mole to the upstream end of Thames Ditton Island
- A navigation channel shall be established on the Middlesex side of the river and be a minimum width of one half of the river measured from the bank.
- Regatta boards will mark the upstream and downstream extent of the course.
- The event shall not extend upstream more than 250 metres beyond the confluence with the River Mole nor downstream beyond the upstream end of Thames Ditton Island. It shall be confined to the Surrey side of the river.
- 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 the course during the hours of racing.

**Andrew Graham
Harbourmaster
17th June 2014**

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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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