

River Thames – river restriction

Kingston Reach Hampton Court Bridge to Kingston Road Bridge

Sunday 20 July 2014 – 06:00 to 13:00

Humanrace – Hampton Court Swim

Directions for navigation and general information during this event:

- The navigation channel shall be established on the Surrey side of the River.
- Swimmers will be using a buoyed channel between Hampton Court Bridge and Kingston Road Bridge on the Hampton Court Park, Middlesex side of the River. Navigation shall be closed on the Hampton Court Park side of Raven's Ait during the above times.
- Regatta boards will mark the upstream and downstream extent of the course.
- Masters of all boats to maintain a safe speed and lookout between Hampton Court Bridge and Kingston Road Bridge.
- Swim Start – Hampton Court, swimmers enter the water from Cigarette Island, crossing to the swimming channel on the Middlesex side.
- Note: A number of Safety boats will be in attendance operating just outside the swimming channel, in the navigation channel please, be prepared to give way if they are involved in a rescue.
- 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.

**Andrew Graham
Harbourmaster
19 May 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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