

River Thames – river restriction

Romney Reach

Alexandra Gardens to just upstream of the A332 Windsor Relief Road Bridge

Sunday 8 June 2014 – 06:30 to 09:00

F3 – Royal Windsor Swim

Directions for navigation and general information during this event:

- The navigation channel shall be established on the Eton side of the river.
- Swimmers will be using a buoyed channel on the Windsor side of the river between the Alexandra Gardens and just upstream of the A332 Windsor Relief Road Bridge.
- Regatta boards will mark the upstream and downstream extent of the course.
- Swimming will start at 06:30 and will be over by 09:00.
- Masters of all boats to maintain a safe speed and lookout between the Windsor and Eton footbridge and Windsor racecourse.
- 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.
- River users are reminded that passage under the Railway bridge remains restricted. Scaffolding will encapsulate the entire span. This will lower the headroom by 900mm to 4.51 metres over the middle third (navigation channel) of the river, and 2000mm elsewhere to 3.41metres.
- Masters of all vessels are reminded to give way to traffic coming downstream through the bridge.

**Andrew Graham
Harbourmaster
2 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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