

## NOTICE TO MARINERS U9 of 2019

### BARN ELMS REACH TO MORTLAKE REACH (UPPER) RIVER CLOSURES AND LOCAL TRAFFIC CONTROL THE BOAT RACE

On **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019** the Boat Race will take place between Oxford University and Cambridge University. In support of this event the following activity will be take place from Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019 until Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

#### Practice Starts - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Local Traffic Control will be in place between Fulham Railway Bridge and Putney Pier from 0945 until 1545. This will be indicated by a Harbour Service Launch exhibiting blue flashing lights. The Harbour Service Launch will be listening on VHF Ch14 call sign prefix "THAMES PATROL".

#### The Boat Race Day - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019

The river will be **closed to navigation** between Wandsworth Bridge and Kew Railway Bridge from 1000 until 1600. This closure will be indicated by a Harbour Service Launch exhibiting blue flashing lights. The Harbour Service Launch will be listening on VHF Ch14 call sign prefix "THAMES PATROL". Only vessels with permission from the Harbour Master are permitted to enter the closure area.

All vessels within the area between Wandsworth Bridge and Kew Railway Bridge are to proceed to their appointed moorings or anchorages before the river is closed. All other craft must clear the area before that time. Those on a mooring are to be mindful of the effect of wash from passing vessels.

Each race will be followed by a flotilla of craft including umpires, supporters, safety boats, Police and Port of London Authority craft as authorised by the Harbour Master. No other vessels may be underway on the closed section of the river.

Once the river has been re-opened, vessels passing Putney Hard should pass with caution whilst equipment and passengers are disembarked.

Further details will be broadcast by London VTS on VHF Ch14.

**22 March 2019**

Port of London Authority  
London River House, Royal Pier Road,  
Gravesend, Kent DA12 2BG

**BOB BAKER**  
CHIEF HARBOUR MASTER



EXPIRY DATE: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
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<http://www.pla.co.uk/Safety/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Mariners/Notices-to-Mariners>

