

NOTICE TO MARINERS U4 of 2021

BARN ELMS REACH (UPPER) HAMMERSMITH BRIDGE

This Notice to Mariners supersedes and replaces U3 of 2021.

London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham Council (LBHF) are continuing with efforts to stabilise and repair Hammersmith Bridge. As part of these works bridge control lights have been installed either side of the bridge.

The bridge control lights display two signals; a **Red X** and a **Green** arrow.

The signals have the following meaning:

Red X



The bridge is closed to all river traffic. London VTS will also broadcast this on **VHF Channel 14** at routine broadcasts.

It is likely that a sensor alarm on the bridge has been activated; therefore, the bridge is closed to all traffic and an exclusion zone of 15 metres upriver and downriver of the bridge is in place.

Any vessel approaching the bridge should abort its transit and await further instruction if the signal changes to a Red X.

Mariners are advised that there is no time duration on a **Red X** as engineers investigate the cause of the alarm. All mariners are advised to have an abort and contingency plan available for a closure which may last longer than the tidal window available.

Green Arrow



The bridge is open and there are no restrictions.

Further details will be broadcast by **London VTS** on VHF Channel 14.

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

**Ryan Hall
Harbour Master**



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