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The Port of London Authority are pleased to publish the second edition of the [Tideway Code](#) (2024). In collaboration with the Thames Regional Rowing Council and Paddle UK, this edition has been revised and updated to provide a current Code of Practice for rowing and paddling on the tidal Thames.



The objective of the Code is to provide rowers and paddlers with **a single comprehensive source of information on best practice** when navigating the tidal Thames.

Highlighted changes to the Code include updates to the qualification route for Stand-Up Paddleboard users, Ebb Tide Warning System explanations, alterations and updates to rowing graphics and general advice to rowers, together with general updates to resource links available on the [PLA Website](#) and wider relevant information resources elsewhere.

The Tideway is a busy waterway for trade, transport and sport. All river users should ensure that they can cope with the conditions of a bustling tidal river. Activities should be risk assessed and undertaken safely,

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with appropriate consideration for other river users and good environmental practice.

Safety is enhanced by the application of three fundamental principles:

Keep a proper lookout • Know and follow the rules • Show consideration for others.

Enjoy the river and look after one another afloat.

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