

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 12 of 2023

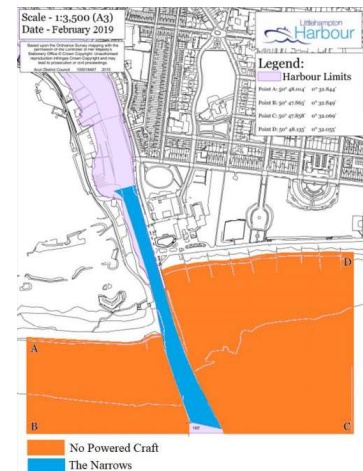
Inshore Navigation Restrictions at Local Beaches

MARINERS ARE ADVISED that a **year-round speed limit of 8 knots** applies to powered craft whilst inside a line 300 metres beyond Mean Low Water in local waters. This is enforced by District Council byelaws ([here](#) and [here](#)) and is seasonally advertised by a line of yellow buoys between Ferring and Shoreham but is in force throughout our coastline including the approaches to the two beach slipways:

- Bognor Regis: Yellow buoys are laid out in a 'T' shape at 50°46'.7N 0°39'.8W to protect bathers east and west of Gloucester Rd slipway managed by Coastal Coffee for Arun District Council.
- Goring: Yellow buoys at 50°48'.2 0°24'.8W, slipway managed by the Worthing Beach Office.

Seasonal restrictions protecting bathers whilst buoys are in place (until October) apply at:

- Littlehampton: Buoys marked "no powered craft" extend east and west 500 yards of the harbour entrance. The harbour's [General Directions](#) prohibit power-driven vessels inshore of this line whilst they are deployed (with a fine of up to £2,500). Vessels entering or exiting the harbour should do so between the entrance beacons and keep to the Narrows (the area shaded blue below). In addition, RNLI Beach Lifeguards establish daily a bathing zone with red and yellow flags where they do not permit paddle, wind or wave driven craft to enter. The RNLI consider the seaward edge of this zone as the yellow buoys.



- Mermaid: Swim Area near The Perch restaurant in Lancing at 50°49'.1N 0°19'.3W
- Widwater: Swim Area adjacent to Widewater Lagoon at 50°49'.4N 0°17'.6W
- Shoreham: Swim Area west of Shoreham Harbour at 50°49'.5N 0°16'.6W
- Southwick: Swim Area east of Shoreham Harbour at 50°49'.6N 0°14'.2W

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.

Harry Gregory
Harbour Master
23 May 2023