

2022 Notices to Mariners

Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is off Station

Number: 034/22. Date: 18 December 2022

Notice is given that Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is off station. The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate through the entrance to the channel with caution.

Exe powerboat and ski club annual rallies

Number: 033/22. Date: 13 December 2022

Notice is hereby given that Exe Power Boat & Ski Club will be running seafront motor boat rallies on the following dates:

- Boxing Day (Monday 26th December 2022) 11.00 to 15.00
- New Year's Day (Sunday 1st January 2023) 11.00 to 15.00

Relaxation of Exe Estuary Byelaw 4 (do not exceed speed limit as defined by charts and buoyage: 10 Knots Max.) has been authorised by Exeter Port Authority for participants in both events. Before and after the event anyone deemed to be breaking any byelaws of the River Exe may be prosecuted by Exeter Port Authority.

Each event will take place between No.12 Buoy (Mamhead Slipway, Exmouth) and Exe Safe Water Mark (Buoy marking the entrance to River Exe) within a four-hour time slot from 11:00 to 15:00.

Each event is provisionally arranged to start at 11:00hrs, but can be later, subject to tidal conditions, weather, or other circumstances. The anticipated time duration of each event is 45 minutes.

Guard Boats will be positioned both within and at the approaches of the course. VHF Marine Channel 6 will be the preferred communications in use. Mamhead Slipway will be the prime slipping facility in use for both events.

Both events will be under the control of Exe Power Boat & Ski Club. Details of the events are published on the Club's Website www.exmouthskiclub.com

All vessels are advised to navigate with caution and to follow collision regulations.

Vessels not taking part are asked to keep clear of competitors within this area during this event

Removal of Obstruction in the Navigation Channel

Number: 032/22. Date: 8 December 2022

Mariners are advised that the obstruction in the channel (a beach sign on two metal posts, previously at the position shown below) has now been removed.

50°36.941'N

003°25.157'W

Local Notice to Mariners: 28/22 (relating to the above) has now been cancelled.

Topsham Navigation Channel

Number: 031/22. Date: 5 December 2022

Mariners are advised that the following aids to navigation at the top of the Exe Estuary are now back

in their correct position:

No 34 - Clock

• No 36 - Commissioners

No 47 – Trevor G

Local Notice to Mariners: 29/22 (relating to the above) has now been cancelled.

Safe Water Mark

Number: 30/22. Date: 30 November 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Exe Estuary Safe Water Mark (Mo(A) 10s) is now on station at the following position:

- 50°35.903'N
- 003°23.458'W

Notice: 018/22 is hereby cancelled.

Topsham Navigation Channel

Number: 029/22. **Date:** 19 November 2022

Mariners are advised that the following aids to navigation at the top of the Exe Estuary are not in their correct position:

- No 34 Clock
- No 36 Commissioners
- No 47 Trevor G

Masters of vessels are advised to proceed with caution in this area.

Exeter Port Authority will put these aids to navigation back in position when tides allow access.

Obstruction in the Navigation Channel

Number: 28/22. Date: 18 November 2022

Mariners are advised that there is an obstruction in the channel due east of No 12 in the vicinity of:

- 50°36.941'N
- 003°25.157'W

This obstruction may or may not be visible depending on the state of the tide. We understand that it is a beach sign on two metal posts and will move position with the tide.

Masters of vessels are advised to proceed with caution in this area.

Exeter Port Authority will attempt to retrieve the sign when visible and tides allow access.

Topsham Navigation Channel

Number: 27/22. Date: 15 November 2022

Notice is hereby given that No. 36 "Commissioners' - port lateral mark (FL.R.5s) has been repositioned.

The new position is as follows:

- 50°41.271'N
- 003°28.510'W

Notice is hereby given that No. 47 "Trevor G' - starboard lateral mark (FL.G.5s) has been repositioned.

The new position is as follows:

- 50°40.981'N
- 003°28.138'W

Notice is hereby given that the Local Notice to Mariners: 26/22 has now been cancelled. The wooden groyne, number 17 from Dawlish Warren has been recovered

Wooden groyne, number 17 from Dawlish Warren has broken away

Number: 26/22. **Date:** 8 November 2022

Notice is hereby given that the wooden groyne, number 17 from Dawlish Warren has broken away and may be floating off the sea front or in the Exe Estuary.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution.

The Orcombe Patrol Regatta

Number: 25/22. Date: 27 September 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Exmouth Rowing Club will be holding a rowing event 'The Orcombe Patrol Regatta' on Sunday the 2nd of October 2022. The event will start at 09.30 and finish at 15.15 with vessels starting and finishing by No 10 buoy. Vessels hope to be clear from the water by approximately 16.30.

Race course route: Start at no.10 buoy, through the channel markers out to the Fairway, then to point 50°35.957'N 003°22.671'W, returning through the channel markers from no.5 buoy.

VHF Channel 72 will be used by the race organisers on the day. For further information contact Les 07941998820 or email les.carol1971@btinternet.com

Masters of vessels are requested to keep clear of the racing in this area during the event.

Jackup barge "Mariner"

Number: 24/22. **Date:** 15 September 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Jackup barge "Mariner" from Teignmouth will be moving to a site 500m South of Straight Point Exmouth during the AM high water on Sat 17th Sept 2022.

Mariner will be operating on station and in close proximity to position 50°36.250'N 003°21.40'W for approximately 20 days (weather permitting).

The project works are being conducted on behalf of South West Water Limited under MMO licence L/2022/00383/1.

The workboats, Marianna K and Spot On will be the assisting vessels during the planned move.

Notice of upcoming watersports events and races

Number: 23/22. **Date:** 15 September 2022

Mariners are advised that Edge Watersports will be hosting the 'Exe Hammer - 2022' Topsham to Exmouth one way paddleboard challenge on the 18 September 2022.

In the region of 70 participants will take part.

The start time on the water will be approximately 12:00 from Topsham Quay and the event will finish around 1500 off Exmouth Beach in front at Edge Watersports Centre.

Vessels not taking part are asked to keep clear of competitors within this area during this event.

Exeter Port Authority joins with the nation at the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Number: 22/22. **Date:** 13 September 2022

In this period of national mourning, all harbour users are requested to act with respect for the solemnity of the occasion, keeping noise and wash to a minimum.

Vessels should fly Ensigns at half-mast until 08.00 on the morning following the funeral, Tuesday the 20 of September.

God save the King.

Avian Flu. Harbour users advice

Number: 21/22. Date: 7 September 2022

We are receiving a number of reports about dead wild birds.

DEFRA have issued the following advice.

Reporting dead wild birds:

Do not touch or pick up any dead or visibly sick birds that you find.

You should call the Defra helpline (03459 33 55 77) if you find:

- one or more dead bird of prey or owl
- 3 or more dead gulls or wild waterfowl (swans, geese and ducks)
- 5 or more dead birds of any species

DEFRA then collect some of these birds and test them to help understand how the disease is distributed geographically and in different types of bird.

Calls to the DEFRA helpline about dead wild birds are triaged and not all birds will be collected. The criteria for which birds are collected are adjusted to increase or decrease the sensitivity of surveillance.

Wild birds are susceptible to a range of diseases and injuries and not all dead birds will have been infected with avian influenza.

Exeter Port Authority staff will record dead birds that they spot during their patrols, and are sharing this information with DEFRA. Dead wild birds will not be removed. We strongly advise you not to touch them.

No. 31 starboard lateral buoy (FL.G.3s) has been reinstated

Number: 20/22. Date: 1 September 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Local Notice to Mariners: 19/22 has now been cancelled.

Number 31 starboard lateral buoy (FL.G.3s) has been reinstated and is back on station.

No. 31 starboard lateral mark (FL.G.3s) has been badly damaged

Number: 19/22. Date: 27 August 2022

Notice is given that No. 31 starboard lateral mark (FL.G.3s) has been badly damaged by another vessel and it's light is no longer in position.

The buoy will be repaired as soon as practicable.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution.

Essential maintenance: Exe Estuary Safe Water Mark (Mo(A) 10s) is not on station

Number: 018/22. **Date:** 24 August 2022

Notice is given that due to essential maintenance the Exe Estuary Safe Water Mark (Mo(A) 10s) is not on station.

The buoy will be returned to the correct position as soon as practicable.

Mariners are advised to navigate through the entrance to the channel with caution.

Notice is hereby given that No. 7 starboard lateral mark (Q.FL.G) has been repositioned

The new position is as follows:

50°36'.495N

003°24'.164W

No. 32 "Norton" - port lateral mark (FL.R.3s) has been repositioned

Number: 017/22. Date: 23 August 2022

Notice is hereby given that No. 32 "Norton" - port lateral mark (FL.R.3s) has been repositioned.

The new position is as follows:

50°41'.039N

003°28'.389W

No. 47 "Trevor G' - starboard lateral mark has been repositioned

Number: 16/22 **Date:** 15 August 2022

Notice is hereby given that No. 47 "Trevor G' - starboard lateral mark (FL.G.5s) has been repositioned.

The new position is as follows:

50°40.979'N

003°28.127'W

Notice of upcoming watersports events and races

Number: 14/22 **Date:** 27 July 2022

Mariners are advised that the Exe Sailing Club will be hosting the National Championships of the Comet Trio class of dinghy from the 5-7 August. In the region of 25 boats will take part.

Sailing programme - subject to suitable wind conditions. Each race should last for about 45 minutes.

| Date | Races | Warning Signal for first Race |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| Friday 5th August | 2 races | 12:25 |
| Saturday 6th August | 3 races | 10:55 |
| Sunday 7th August | 2 races | 11:25 |

Dinghies will leave Exe Sailing Club around 1 hour before the scheduled start and sail to the race area in Lyme Bay via Western Way. The return to the estuary will also be via Western Way.

Vessels not taking part are asked to keep clear of competitors within this area during these events.

Underwater obstructions notification

Number: 13/22 **Date:** 18 July 2022

Mariners are advised that there are a number of historic sunken vessels between Starcross and Lympstone Sands. The majority of these vessels have been in place for a considerable time.

Please find below the positions of these vessels and a brief description. Masters of vessels are advised to proceed with caution in these areas.

Positions/details:

N 50° 38.253' W 003° 26.880'

Possible remains of a small motorboat, pulpit just breaks the surface at LWS. There is a single faded A3 mooring buoy attached to the pulpit. Lying in about 4ft water at LWS.

N 50° 37.882' W 003° 26.666'

Upturned hull, forefoot a few inches below surface at LWS so never visible. Lying in about 5ft water at LWS.

N 50° 37.572' W 003° 26.590'

24' mast less yacht, sharp bow roller a few inches below surface at LWS, cockpit buried in sand, marked with 4 x blue/yellow A3 mooring buoys stationed around the wreck and 1 x black/red buoy attached to wreck. Lying in about 5' of water at LWS.

Exeter Port Authority is working with vessel owners (where they can be identified) fundus holders, land owners, District Councils and mooring associations on the estuary with regards to the possible removal of these and other wrecks or otherwise abandoned vessels.

"Little Russell" starboard lateral buoy FI (2) G 5s in position

Number 12/22 **Date**: 17 June 2022

Notice is hereby given that the consent of the Corporation of Trinity House under section 199(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1995, is hereby conveyed to Exeter City Council (Exeter Port Authority) to the following establishment:

"Little Russell" starboard lateral buoy FI (2) G 5s in position Lat. 050° 36.736' N Long. 003° 25.998' W

Notice 12/22 is hereby cancelled.

New temporary Starboard Lateral Buoy

Number 12/22 **Date**: 17 June 2022

Notice is hereby given that Exeter Port Authority have established a new temporary Starboard Lateral Buoy. This is because Bull Hill bank has grown and shoals have developed West and South of its' charted area.

We are in the process of making an application to the General Lighthouse Authority at Trinity House with regards to making this a permanent aid to navigation.

The buoy is situated between number Lateral Buoys 13 and 15 in the Bight of the river and is named "Little Russell." The position is:

Lat. 50° 36.736' N – Long. 003° 25.998' W.

Light characteristics FL(2)G.5s.

Mariners are advised to pass this area with extreme caution because of the changing depths.

Establishment of additional aids to navigation from Topsham to Retreat Boat Yard

Number 11/22 Date: 14 June 2022

Mariners are advised that the consent of the Corporation of Trinity House under section 199(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1995, is hereby conveyed to Exeter City Council (Exeter Port Authority) to the establishment of aids to navigation as detailed below. These aids to navigation are now in place.

| Number | Lateral Mark | Name | Position | Light Sequence |
|--------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 36 | Port Lateral | Commissioners | 50°41.272'N | FL.R.5s |
| | | | 003°28.514'W | |
| 34 | Port Lateral | Clock | 50°41.191'N | Q.R |
| | | | 003°28.371'W | |
| 32 | Port Lateral | Norton | 50°41.048'N | FL.R.3s |
| | | | 003°28.380'W | |
| 30 | Port Lateral | Voysey | 50°40.995'N | FL(2)R5s |
| | | | 003°28.332'W | |
| 47 | Starboard Lateral | Trevor G | 50°40.973'N | FL.G.5s |
| | | | 003°28.100'W | |
| 28 | Port Lateral | Katie McCabe | 50°40.790'N | FL(3)R5s |
| | | | 003°27.930'W | |
| 26 | Port Lateral | Museum | 50°40.661'N | FL.R.5s |
| | | | 003°27.920'W | |

Notice of upcoming watersports events and races

Number 10/22 **Date:** 18 May 2022

Mariners are advised that on Saturday 21 May there are a number of watersports events and races taking place off Exmouth sea front from Navigation mark number 10 proceeding and out to sea.

These include:

Exmouth Beach Rescue Club - Epic Bay Surf Ski Race

- Competitors 120 max.
- Start 11:00 (All competitors to start together) Finish (off water) 13:30.
- Course will be patrolled by 4 rescue boats and a larger race marshal vessel.

Exmouth Rowing Club - Offshore Event

- Event Start 1030hrs finish 17.00hrs.
- VHF Channel 72 will be used on the day.

Exe Sailing Club Events

- Ore Stone Race Yacht Race 11am Start.
- Supernova Dinghy Open meeting.
- VHF channel 8 will be used on the day.

Vessels not taking part are asked to keep clear of competitors within this area during these events.

The navigation channel into the river Exe has moved eastward of its current charted track and as a result the following navigation aids have been repositioned.

Number 09/22 **Date:** 10 May 2022

No's 1,2,3,4,5,6 plus the safe water mark.

The new positions are listed below:

Safe Water mark – 50°35,904'N 003°23,441'W

Number 1 – 50°36.108'N 003°23.520'W

Number 2 – 50°36.094'N 003°23.581'W

Number 3 – 50°36.251'N 003°23.659'W

Number 4 – 50°36.187'N 003°23.655'W

Number 5 – 50°36.379'N 003°23.869'W

Number 6 – 50°36.289'N 003°23.850'W

The light sequence for each navigation aid remains the same as published.

Channel into the river Exe has moved significantly eastward of the current charted depths

Number: 08/22 **Date:** 6 May 2022

Notice is hereby given that a hydrographic survey conducted in the estuary approaches shows that the channel into the river Exe has moved significantly eastward of the current charted depths.

Harbour staff and a specialist contractor will be moving the existing aids to navigation to new positions that will mark where the channel has naturally developed.

The numbered navigation marks that will be moved are; No's 1,2,3,4,5,6,8 plus the safe water mark.

This work will be done on the 10th of May, and possibly the 11th if required.

Mariners are advised to take extreme care when entering or leaving the River Exe whilst the above work is being undertaken, keep clear of the vessels involved in the work and for any questions on the day whilst navigating the approaches, call the Exeter Port Authority on VHF Ch 12.

Channel into the river Exe has moved significantly eastward of the current charted depths

Number: 07/22 **Date**: 21 April 2022

Notice is hereby given that after a hydrographic survey was conducted in the estuary approaches, results indicate that the channel into the river Exe has moved significantly eastward of the current charted depths.

Exeter Port Authority are in the process of establishing new optimum positions for the lateral marks from numbers 7 to 1 plus the safe water mark. A contractor will be tasked to establish the new channel and early indications suggest that this will take place during the middle of May 2022.

Mariners are advised to take extreme care when entering or leaving the River Exe prior to the above work been undertaken.

Additional: Notice is hereby given that the East Cardinal Buoy marking the permanent wreck situated south east of Cockwood harbour is now lit.

Notice 05/22 is hereby cancelled.

Navigation channel into the river Exe has moved eastward of its current track

Number: 06/22 **Date**: 17 April 2022

Notice is hereby given that after a hydrographic survey was conducted in the estuary approaches last week, preliminary results indicate that the navigation channel into the river Exe has moved eastward of its current track.

Mariners are advised to take extreme care when entering or leaving the river Exe until more detailed extrapolation of the results can be done. This study will be determine the new positions for the navigation aids leading into the river Exe.

East Cardinal Buoy light situated south east of Cockwood is extinguished

Number: 05/22 Date: 29 March 2022

Notice is hereby given that the East Cardinal Buoy light marking the permanent wreck, situated south east of Cockwood is at present extinguished.

Position: 50° 36.874′ N – Long. 003° 26.505′ W.

The light will be fixed as soon as possible

Number 5 starboard lateral mark (FL(3)G5s has been returned to station

Number: 04/22 Date: 25 March 2022

Notice is hereby given that Number 5 starboard lateral mark (FL(3)G5s has been returned to station, cancelling LNTM 03/22.

The mark has been placed in a new position of 50° 36.310'N 003° 23.871'W

No.5 starboard lateral mark FL(3)Gs is off station

Number: 03/22 Date: 12 March 2022

Notice is hereby given that No.5 starboard lateral mark FL(3)Gs is off station.

The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Works to extend the launching ramp at Exmouth RNL

Number: 02/22 **Date**: 19 February 2022

Notice is hereby given of the works to extend the launching ramp at Exmouth RNLI from the Esplanade to Beach at Exmouth, Devon now aim to be completed in early March, 2022.

The works comprise construction of a temporary sheet piled cofferdam on the lower beach, constructed as a land based activity whilst the tide is out, driving of piles to support the ramp extension, excavation within the cofferdam to lower the sand level to enable placing of precast concrete beams & planks for the ramp extension. Replace beach material and remove cofferdam as a low tide operation.

No.4 port lateral mark (Q.FL.R) has been repositioned

Number: 001/22 **Date:** 21 January 2022

 Notice is hereby given that No.4 port lateral mark (Q.FL.R) has been repositioned.

The new position is as follows:

50°36.186'N

003°23.939'W

Notice 033/21 is hereby cancelled.

Notice is hereby given that with the consent of the Corporation of Trinity House under section 199(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1995 lights have been added to the following aids to navigation:

- No.5 Starboard Lateral light added FI (3) G 5s
- No.6 Port Lateral light added FI (3) R 5s