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SAFE BOATING TIPS

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THIS WATERWAY IS POPULAR FOR VARIETY OF ON WATER ACTIVITIES. TO ENSURE ITS SAFE USE IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

KEEP RIGHT

PROVIDED IT IS SAFE AND PRACTABLE ALWAYS TRAVEL ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE RIVER, PARTICULARLY WHEN NAVIGATING AROUND BLIND CORNERS.

TRAVEL AT SPEED

WHEN CHOOSING A SPEED TO TRAVEL AT BE SURE TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE TIME OF DAY NUMBER OF OTHER BOATS AROUND, WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY.

IF IN DOUBT SLOW DOWN

SITUATIONS ON THE WATER CAN SOMETIMES BE HARD TO JUDGE. IF YOU HAVE ANY DOUBT ABOUT ANOTHER VESSEL'S INTENTIONS, SLOW DOWN AND GIVE YOURSELF THE TIME TO ASSESS THE SITUATION.

KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE FROM VESSELS, THINGS AND PEOPLE WHEN DRIVING A VESSEL 10 KNOTS OR MORE, ALWAYS STAY AT LEAST 30 METRES AWAY FROM THE SHORE, SOLID STRUCTURES, OTHER BOATS AND SWIMMERS. IF YOU ARE TOWING A SKIER, STAY 60 METRES AWAY FROM PEOPLE IN THE WATER.

WATCH YOUR WASH

MINIMISE THE AMOUNT OF WASH YOUR BOAT MAKES TO AVOID EROSION OF THE BANKS OF THE WATERWAY, DAMAGE TO PROPERTY AND ANNOYANCE OR INJURY TO OTHER BOATERS.

PASS BEHIND MOVING CAR FERRIES

VEHICULAR FERRY CROSSINGS EXIST IN THIS WATERWAY. YOU MUST ALWAYS PASS BEHIND A MOVING FERRY AT A SPEED OF 4 KNOTS OR LESS WHEN YOU ARE WITHIN 100 METRES OF IT. USE EXTREME CAUTION WHEN CROSSING A FERRY AS CABLES CAN BE CLOSE TO THE SURFACE OF THE WATER.

ALWAYS REMEMBER

THERE IS AN OVER-RIDING DUTY ON ALL BOAT DRIVERS TO ACT RESPONSIBLY.

SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE BOATING DEPENDS ON CARE, COURTESY AND COMMON SENSE.



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