



**POOLE HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS**  
**LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS**  
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**POOLE HARBOUR SPEED LIMITS**

Mariners are advised that the relaxation of the 10 knot speed limit in the Wareham, North and Middle Ship Channels up to the Bell Buoy will be lifted at 00:01 on the 1<sup>st</sup> April.

At this time, and in accordance with Poole Harbour byelaw 2(aa), a speed restriction of 10 knots **(through the water)** will once again be in force covering all of the harbour up to 1400 metres seaward of South Haven Point. This is excluding areas covered by Byelaw 2(b).

Mariners are reminded that in accordance with Poole Harbour Byelaw 2(b), a speed limit of 6 knots **(through the water)**, is in force **all year round**, in Little Channel (from Stakes Buoy to Poole Town Quay), between the quays and Holes Bay.

Mariners are also reminded of byelaw 2(a):

**“Within the limits of Poole Harbour, every vessel shall be navigated with care and caution and at such speed and in such manner as not to endanger the lives of or cause injury or be a nuisance to persons or endanger the safety of or cause damage to other vessels, moorings, buoys, beacons or other property.”**

This includes **WATCHING YOUR WASH** which may require you to navigate at a safe speed which may be less than the speed limit in force.

Please also observe the “Quiet Areas “shown on the chartlet where a 6 knot speed limit **(through the water)** is requested.

**Mariners are reminded that Radar, AIS, CCTV, telephone and VHF channels are recorded.**

**Captain B P Murphy**  
**Harbour Master**

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