The number of large commercial ships and Neaps द्वारा Southampton और Port हांसमौर द्वारा सागरीय तर्कासून वर्तमान अवस्था में अधिकतम रूप से सहायता की जा सकती है। 

लिफ्टेक्स के माध्यम से दक्षिणी हांसमौर द्वारा विश्व के सबसे बड़े नावसेवकों के बिना बोतल्स उपत्यका में लगभग अग्रणी स्थिति में हैं। 

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Legal requirement and navigation
Guidance Notes

Nautical Safety

The principal deep water navigational channels within the statutory limits of the Port of Southampton are well marked by buoys and lights. These channels are in constant use by commercial vessels, including large deep draught tankers (VLCC), container ships, ferries and other traffic. Recreational users of the area are advised to keep clear of these channels and use the recommended crossing points (as shown on chartlet overleaf). When channels have to be crossed, this should be done as nearly as practicable at right angles.

AVOID CROSSING THE ROWS OF ON-COMING COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

Large container ships, in particular, usually have restricted visibility ahead (see diagram below). You may be able to see them clearly but can they see you? If the full width of the wheelehouse on the ship is not visible than you may not have been seen!

Most recreational sailors take a justifiable pride in the responsible way they conduct themselves. Part of this is the realization that hindering the safe passage of commercial vessels is not only bad seaman ship but dangerous to themselves, their crew and the ship itself.

Recreational users of the port must familiarise themselves with, and observe, the COLREGS, the HARBOUR BY-LAWS and Local Notice to Mariners.

Information is available on: www.southamptonports.co.uk

Harbour Patrol

The Harbour Master operates a Harbour Patrol Launch service within the limits of the Port of Southampton throughout the year. This service is used mainly to escort large vessels safely into or out of the harbour area to ensure that the main navigable channels are kept clear for their safe transit.

The Harbour Patrol Launch maintains a listening watch on VHF Channel 12 (call sign Southampton Patrol). The crew will be happy to offer advice and information on the Harbour and Approaches.

This vessel, having a royal blue hull with white upper works, is easily recognisable by the broad yellow diagonal stripe on each side of the bow. At night, in addition to the steaming lights, an all round blue light is displayed at the mast head.

Speed of vessels

In compliance with Southampton Harbour Bye-Laws:

1. Proceed at a safe speed with due regard to other water users, buoys, moorings and banks of the harbour area or any other property.
2. Reduce speed and wash when passing a dredger, vessel engaged in diving operations or vessel working on a buoy or mooring.
3. Observe 6 knot speed limit north of an imaginary line between Hythe Pier and Weston Shelf buoy.

Vessels may pass along the Working Channel at a reduced speed. They must not proceed under any circumstances at a speed where they cannot stop within 200 yards.

LARGE SHIPS OFTEN HAVE UNDERKEEL CLEARANCE CAN BE AS LITTLE AS 1 METRE

Southampton Water is of international importance for nature conservation. Its mudflats and other habitats support a wide variety of birds and the creatures they feed on throughout the year. In recognition of this, Southampton Water is designated as part of the Solent European Marine Site, with Special Protection Areas (SPAs) for birds and Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) for habitats and other species. A management scheme has been developed to ensure that a balance of activities can be maintained within the site, allowing port operations, recreational sailing and wildlife to co-exist.

ABP, in its role as the Statutory Harbour Authority for Southampton Water, has a strong commitment to protecting the local environment and we play an active role in the management scheme for the European Marine Site. Recreational sailors are well known for enjoying and taking care of the environment in which they spend their leisure time. In order to maintain Southampton Water as a pleasant place to sail, remember that the UK has strict rules on dumping litter at sea, with substantial penalties for offenders. Please retain all rubbish on board and dispose of it safely in proper facilities once you return to shore.

The yachtman’s guide to Southampton Water and its approaches

Southampton Water is one of the busiest ports in the UK, handling large container ships, ferries and other traffic. The Harbour Master operates a Harbour Patrol and Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) to ensure safe navigation.

Harbour Traffic:

- **Vessels over 20 metres** must report to VTS at designated Reporting Points (as per Admiralty Charts and ALRS Volume 5).
- **Vessels under 20 metres** must not be used for boat communications.

Vessels with a length over 20 metres must report to VTS at designated Reporting Points (as per Admiralty Charts and ALRS Volume 5).

Associated British Ports (ABP) Ocean Gate Atlantic Way Southampton, Hampshire, SO14 3ON Tel: 02390 488800 Fax: 02390 368402

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre (VTS)**

Tel: 02380 630308 (Daytime) www.southamptonvts.co.uk

Visitors can access regularly updated shipping movements, cruise schedules, Notices to Mariners and tidal forecasts.

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**Hamble**

Tel: 01489 736397

**Portsmouth**

N.O.H 0300 056 8120

**HM Coastguard**

Lee on Solent 02392 525100

**HM Revenue and Customs**

Yachtline 0845 723 1110

Customs Helpline 0300 200 3700 Customs Hotline 0800 595 5000 www.hmrc.gov.uk

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