



PORTLAND HARBOUR AUTHORITY LIMITED



Local Notice to Mariners

No 13/2017

THE USE OF TENDERS, KAYAKS, CANOES AND STAND UP PADDLEBOARDS IN PORTLAND HARBOUR.

This notice is intended to give advice specifically to personnel transferring to and from vessels, at anchor or on moorings when using tenders, or those in smaller vessels enjoying on water activities which include Kayaks, Canoes and Stand Up Paddleboards. This advice is in line with the principles of the Port Marine Safety Code and the accompanying Guide to Good Practice on Port Marine Operations.

The Harbour Authority considers that all mariners should take reasonable precautions to ensure that all those who use the water do so safely. The following is considered the minimum requirements for all water users:

- Ensure you have checked the current and forecast weather and that sea conditions are suitable for the size of vessel and that it is not overloaded;
- Vessel should be fit for purpose and where possible you should not travel alone;
- That lifejackets or buoyancy aids are maintained, fit for purpose and worn at all times;
- If using an engine have oars available in case of an emergency;
- Always inform someone ashore of your movements and when you are in a safe environment;
- Carry a waterproof grab bag with radio/mobile/flares/torch as considered necessary;
- Kayakers/Canoeists/Stand Up Paddle boarders should wear high viz apparel and consider a highly coloured vessel to aid visibility.

LNTM No 03/2009 is hereby revoked

This Notice is issued under the powers vested by the Portland Harbour Revision Order 1997.

Captain M Shipley
General Manager (Marine)
9th January 2017

Owners, Agents, 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.