

PORT OF GREAT YARMOUTH LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

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Main Engine, Bow and Stern Thruster Use in the Port

Mariners are reminded that Great Yarmouth Port Authority Navigation Bye-Law No. 40 covers the use of engines and other propulsion units within the Port.

Once alongside “the master of a vessel shall not permit the engines, propulsion units or other equipment of the vessel to be worked in such a manner as to cause injury or damage to the bed or the banks of the port area or to any other vessel or property.”

Main engines and thruster units may be used for the purpose of mooring, unmooring and swinging.

These propulsion units should not be run once the vessel is secured alongside a berth.

The testing of engines and thrusters whilst alongside is strictly prohibited.

Excessive use of such propulsion units will cause scour, which can damage quay walls and their supports. Recent hydrographic surveys have shown evidence of this type of scouring within the port.

Wash from the use of such propulsion units can also negatively affect the track of a passing vessel which could result in a near miss or contact with other vessels or quays.

Please use propulsion units to move safely around the Port, but do not keep them running to the detriment of others when safely alongside.

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