



RIVERS OUSE AND FOSS NAVIGATION BYELAWS (Extract)

PART 111 - REQUIREMENTS AND NAVIGATION OF VESSELS

5. The master of every vessel and the owner thereof shall severally be responsible for the due performance of such of the following Byelaws as shall apply to such vessel or the master or owner thereof.
 - (a) 5 knots over the ground within the City of York; or
 - (b) 6 knots over the ground above the City, and between Naburn locks and the City, and between a point 1500 metres upstream of the upstream side of Selby Toll Bridge and a point 1500 metres downstream of the upstream side of Selby Toll Bridge such distances of 1500 metres being measured along the centre line of the Navigation; or
 - (c) with the exception of the length hereinbefore mentioned, 10 knots over the ground downstream below Naburn Locks.
6. **The Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea made by Orders in Council in pursuance of Section 418 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 shall apply to the Navigation and to vessels navigating or being therein except where they are in conflict with these Byelaws.**
7. Every vessel shall be navigated with care and caution and at a speed and in a manner which shall not involve risk of collision by causing a swell or endanger the lives of or cause injury to persons or endanger the safety of other vessels, moorings, river banks, bridges, locks or other property.
8. A power-driven vessel navigating against the stream shall reduce speed and if necessary stop to allow vessels going with the stream to pass clear.
9. **Every Vessel approaching a bridge whilst proceeding against the stream shall reduce speed and if necessary stop on sighting another vessel approaching the bridge with the stream and shall allow such other vessel to pass through the bridge and then shall not proceed until it is safe to do so.**
10. **Except in cases of emergency no vessel shall be allowed to remain in any part of the Navigation so as to cause obstruction to other vessels.**
11. Vessels propelled otherwise than by hand power or under sail shall not race or attempt to race against any other vessel. **No vessel shall cross the Navigation except when the Navigation in the vicinity of the vessel is clear and only in such a manner as not to impede other vessels using the Navigation.**
12. **(a) A vessel not propelled by power when meeting, overtaking or being overtaken by a power-driven vessel shall so far as it is safe and practicable keep out of the fairway.**
 - (b) A vessel when meeting, overtaking, or being overtaken by a vessel of deeper draught shall so far as it is safe and practicable give the fairway to that vessel.
13. Unless authorised in writing by the Trustees a vessel shall not except in an emergency or where necessary in order to retain control proceed at any greater speed than:
 - (a) The organiser of any boat race regatta public procession or any other similar occasion when a number of vessels is expected to assemble in the Navigation shall give not less than 28 days' notice thereof to the Trustees. All regattas, boat races, public processions or similar events shall be conducted on courses and at times previously approved by the Trustees. The Trustees may cancel or alter any conditions of such approval on giving where reasonably practicable notice to the organiser at least fourteen days before the proposed date of the event.
 - (b) Except in the case of an emergency or where necessary in order to comply with the requirements of these Byelaws the master of a vessel shall not on the occasion of any boat race, regatta, public procession or similar event approved by the Trustees under paragraph (a) of this Byelaw wilfully cause or permit that vessel to obstruct impede or otherwise interfere with any such boat race regatta public procession or similar event.
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26. Every power driven vessel when approaching a dredger working in and obstructing the fairway shall sound one prolonged blast. When it is safe for passage to be made through the channel the dredger shall sound one short blast followed by one prolonged blast, followed by one short blast.
31. A person using a vessel, on arriving at a mooring place, shall moor the vessel in such a position and in such a manner as (a) to prevent any risk of injury to any other vessel or its mooring and (b) to cause no obstruction to the safe convenient access to another vessel, or to the safe and convenient embarkation or disembarkation therefrom.
35. Except in an emergency no person shall moor or fasten a vessel to any fence, tree, bridge, lock, drain, dam, weir, clough or any other works not specifically provided for mooring or fastening vessels.