



2021 Local Notices to Mariners for Exeter Port Authority

No.4 port lateral mark (Q.FL.R) is off position

Number: 033/21 **Date:** 23 December 2021

The No.4 is lying slightly west of its charted position. Mariners are advised to proceed with caution when transiting the channel into and out of the river Exe.

The No.4 buoy will be returned to position as soon as possible.

Works to extend the launching ramp at Exmouth RNLI

Number: 032/21 **Date:** 21 December 2021

Notice is hereby given of the works to extend the launching ramp at Exmouth RNLI from the Esplanade to Beach at Exmouth, Devon. These works will continue from 4th January 2022 to 15th February 2022.

The works comprise construction of a temporary sheet piled cofferdam on the lower beach, constructed as a land based activity whilst the tide is out, driving of 8 H piles to support the ramp extension, excavation within the cofferdam to lower the sand level to enable placing of precast concrete beams & planks for the ramp extension. Replace beach material and remove cofferdam as a low tide operation.

No.33 starboard lateral mark (Q.F.G) is now back on station

Number: 031/21 **Date:** 16 December 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.33 starboard lateral mark (Q.F.G) is now back on station.

Notice 29/21 is hereby cancelled.

Notice is hereby given that No.4 port lateral mark (Q.FL.R) is now back on station.

Notice 28/21 is hereby cancelled

Exe Power Boat & Ski Club seafront motor boat rallies

Number: 030/21 **Date:** 14 December 2021

Notice is hereby given that Exe Power Boat & Ski Club will be running seafront motor boat rallies on the following dates:

- Boxing Day: Sunday 26 December 2021 - 11.00 to 15.00
- New Year's Day: Saturday 1 January 2022 - 11.00 to 15.00

Relaxation of Exe Estuary Byelaw 5 (10 knot speed limit) has been authorised by Exeter Port Authority for participants in both events.

Each event will take place between No.12 Buoy (Mamhead Slipway, Exmouth) and Exe Safe Water Mark (Buoy marking the entrance to River Exe) within a four-hour time slot from 11:00 to 15:00.

Each event is provisionally arranged to start at 11:00, but can be later, subject to tidal conditions, weather, or other circumstances. The anticipated time duration of each event is 30 minutes.

Guard Boats will be positioned both within and at the approaches of the course. VHF Marine Channel 6 will be the preferred communications in use. Mamhead Slipway will be the prime slipping facility in use for both events.

Both events are subject to any UK Covid-19 Regulations in force, and will only take place if such Regulations allow.

Both events will be under the control of Exe Power Boat & Ski Club. Details of the events are [published on the Club's Website](#).

No.33 starboard lateral mark (Q.F.G) is off station

Number: 029/21 **Date:** 9 December 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.33 starboard lateral mark (Q.F.G) is off station.

The buoy will be returned to position as soon as possible.

No.4 port lateral mark (Q.FL.R) is off station

Number: 028/21 **Date:** 7 December 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.4 port lateral mark (Q.FL.R) is off station.

The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Exmouth Rowing Club - 'The Exe Raid'

Number: 027/21 **Date:** 11 October 2021

Notice is hereby given that the Exmouth Rowing Club will be holding a rowing event 'The Exe Raid' on Saturday the 16 October 2021. The event will start at 0930.

All boats to launch and form up, upstream of 10 Buoy. The start/finish line will be set between the beach and 10 Buoy.

There will be two courses of 8 kilometres & and 4 kilometres. The race area will stretch from the Safe Water Mark to No 15 Starboard Lateral Mark.

VHF Channel 72 will be used by the race organisers on the day.

Masters of vessels are requested to keep clear of the racing in this area during the event.

No.27 starboard lateral mark

Number: 026/21 **Date:** 23rd September 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.27 starboard lateral mark (FL.G.5S) has been repositioned. The new position is as follows: 50°38.675'N 003°26.993'W

Exe Hammer Paddle Challenge - 18 September

Number: 025/21 **Date:** 14 September 2021

Notice is hereby given of the Exe Hammer Paddle Challenge will take place on the 18th of September 2021 organised by Edge Watersports.

Up to 90 paddleboards are expected to attend this event. The race will start and finish off the seafront (opposite the Watersports centre) between 10.00am and 10.30am. The course will take competitors up the river towards Starboard lateral mark number 13.

Masters of vessels are requested to keep clear of the paddleboard racing in this area during this event.

No.21 starboard lateral mark

Number: 024/21 **Date:** 9 September 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.21 starboard lateral mark (Q.G) has been repositioned. The new position is as follows:

- 50°37.845'N
- 003°26.388'W

No.21 starboard lateral mark

Number: 023/21 **Date:** 31 August 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.21 starboard lateral mark (F.G) is now back on station.

Notice 22/21 is hereby cancelled.

No.21 starboard lateral mark

Number: 022/21 **Date:** 29 August 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.21 starboard lateral mark (F.G) is off station.

The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

No.39 starboard lateral mark

Number: 021/21 **Date:** 26 July 2021

No.39 starboard lateral mark (green unlit) is now back in position.

Notice 020/21 is hereby cancelled.

No.39 starboard lateral mark

Number: 020/21 **Date:** 24 July 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.39 starboard lateral mark (green unlit) is off station.

The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible

Establishment of a new starboard hand lateral mark

Number: 019/21 **Date:** 16 July 2021

The consent of the Corporation of Trinity House under section 199(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995, is hereby conveyed to Exeter Port Authority to the establishment of a new starboard hand lateral mark with light character FI (2) G 5s in position Lat. 50° 36.991' N Long. 003° 26.292' W named "Hinton". This new mark is now in place.

Background

The area known as Bull Hill Bank within the Exe Estuary has increased in area and spread to the West particularly as a spit between no's 15 and 17 starboard lateral buoys.

From no 15 buoy looking up to 17 there is no clear line of sight and to transit North, mariners have to alter course toward no 14 port hand lateral buoy before altering course toward no 17 once the bank has been cleared.

This is not so much of an issue at low water or in daylight because the obstruction is clear to see but in the dark there is a potential hazard for marine traffic going up and down the river.

Therefore we have introduced a fresh starboard lateral buoy which will be outside of the normal numbering system and be simply called 'Hinton' and be positioned at the widest part of the spit.

The buoy may be moved quarterly accordingly, due to the shifting nature of the sand spit.

We have named Hinton buoy after the recently retired Exmouth resident Mr Andrew Hinton, the Geographic and Technical Manager at the United Kingdom Hydrographic Office who was responsible for the publishing of the new Admiralty chart no 2290.

RS 200 National Dinghy Championships

Number: 018/21 **Date:** 15 July 2021

Notice is hereby given of the RS200 national championship 15 to 19 August 2021, hosted by Exe Sailing Club. In the region of 120 dinghies are expected to attend this event.

Racing will commence at the following times with the fleets returning to the river on completion of racing each day.

- Sunday 15. Racing starts from 12:55
- Monday 16. Racing starts from 11:55
- Tuesday 17. Racing starts from 11:55
- Wednesday 18. Racing starts from 11:55
- Thursday 19. Racing starts from 11:25

Further details including sailing instructions will be available from the 1st August 2021 and can be found on the [Exe Sailing Club website](#).

Vessels are asked to keep clear of the racing within this area during this event.

British Offshore Rowing Championships 16 and 17 July

Number: 017/21 **Date:** 5 July 2021

Mariners are advised that on the 16th and 17th July that the British Offshore Rowing Championships will be held of Exmouth beach and approaches.

There will be a 4km and 6 km course – both of which will have a beach start unless the weather preclude this, in which case they will start from the same place in which they finish.

- Beach start 50° 36.665N 03° 24.104W
- Race finish 50° 36.776N 03° 24.681W
- The 4k course will go from the start to 50° 36.494N 03° 24.038W and out to 50° 35.968N 03° 23.323W before returning through the channel markers
- The 6k course will go from the start to 50° 36.494N 03° 24.038W and out to the no.2 buoy before heading SW to 50° 35.717N 03° 24.806W, SSE to 50° 35.583N 03° 24.697W, NE to 50° 35.895N 03° 23.736W and returning through the channel markers

Approximate timings:

Friday 16th July

- 10:00 Course open for training
- 12:00 racing begins
- 18:00 Course closes

Saturday 17th July

- 08:00 Course open for training
- 10:00 racing begins
- 18:00 Course closes

British Rowing Beach Sprint Championships, 18th July

Competitors will travel 250 metres out from shore - 50° 36.665N 03° 24.104W

Further contact on the day - The VHF channel 8 for Exmouth Rowing Club.

Contact details on the day Jo Johnston 07454 339863 and Barbara Wilson 07836 774 603

Vessels are asked to keep clear of rowing boats racing within this area during these events.

Exmouth Rowing Club Regatta 3 July 2021

Number: 016/21 **Date:** 22 June 2021

Mariners are advised that on Saturday the 3 July the Exmouth Rowing Club Langstone Approach Regatta will be held off Exmouth Beach and approaches to the river.

Racing will start at 10.30 with the last race commencing at 16.00. There will be a 4k and 8k course as described below.

- The start/finish line will be set between the beach and the number 10 buoy (50° 36.765N, 3° 24.684W)
- The 4k course will go around the buoy at 50° 35.895N, 3° 23.736W
- The 8k course will go from the start to the number 2 buoy, then around marks at 50° 35.418N, 3° 25.214W and 50° 35.217N, 3° 25.027W, then back to the buoy at 50° 35.895N, 3° 23.736W

Vessels are asked to keep clear of rowing boats racing within this area during the event.

Temporary Buoys Exmouth Beach

Number: 015/21 **Date:** 17 June 2021

Mariners are advised that a series of 15 yellow buoys have been positioned (for the summer period) off the beach at Exmouth.

The buoys run south east from the position Lat. 50° 36.450' N – Long. 003° 24.100'W east of number 7 buoy towards Orcombe Point, finishing at Lat. 50° 36.340' N – Long. 003° 23.180' W.

These buoys have 'No Powered Craft' written on them.

Powered vessels are not to enter the area inshore of these buoys.

Underwater obstructions notification

Number: 014/21 **Date:** 29 April 2021

Mariners are advised that there are a number of historic sunken vessels between Starcross and Lympstone Sands. The majority of these vessels have been in place for a considerable time. Please find below the positions of these vessels and a brief description. Masters of vessels are advised to proceed with caution in these areas.

Positions/details:

N 50° 38.253' W 003° 26.880'

Possible remains of a small motorboat, pulpit just breaks the surface at LWS. There is a single faded A3 mooring buoy attached to the pulpit. Lying in about 4ft water at LWS.

N 50° 37.882' W 003° 26.666'

Upturned hull, forefoot a few inches below surface at LWS so never visible. Lying in about 5ft water at LWS.

N 50° 37.572' W 003° 26.590'

24' mast less yacht, sharp bow roller a few inches below surface at LWS, cockpit buried in sand, marked with 4 x blue/yellow A3 mooring buoys stationed around the wreck and 1 x black/red buoy attached to wreck. Lying in about 5' of water at LWS.

N 50° 37.832' W 003° 26.785'

18' mast less yacht, coach roof just above sand, dries at LWS. Marked by a single black/red A4 mooring buoy.

Exeter Port Authority is working with vessel owners (where they can be identified) fundus holders, land owners, District Councils and mooring associations on the estuary with regards to the possible removal of these and other wrecks or otherwise abandoned vessels.

Vertical lights on Trout's Pontoon

Notice is hereby given that the two green vertical lights on Trout's Pontoon at Topsham are now reinstated.

Notice 08/21 is hereby cancelled.

Exmouth beach access ramp

Number: 13/21 **Date:** 21 April 2021

Notice is hereby given that Teignmouth Maritime Services Ltd will be installing a beach access ramp alongside the new Sideshore facility in Exmouth.

Works on the beach will include pile driving, placement of concrete deck units and the erection of timber handrails, together with the associated movements of tracked plant and equipment.

All works will be undertaken in the dry, without the use of floating plant. The on-site start date is **Tuesday 4 May** and they anticipate that the work will take **6 to 7 weeks** to complete.

Construction of beach ramp:

- 50°36.7022'N 03°24.4106'W
- 50°36.7159'N 03°24.4848'W
- 50°36.6964'N 03°24.4893'W
- 50°36.6856'N 03°24.4076'W
- 50°36.7022'N 03°24.4106'W

For further information please contact Teignmouth Maritime Services Ltd on 01626 866 066.

Safe Water buoy "Exe" is now on station

Number: 12/21 **Date:** 20 April 2021

Notice is hereby given that Safe Water buoy "Exe" is now on station at the entrance to the Exe Estuary at position Lat. 50° 35.895N – Long. 003° 23.736W.

Notice 5/21 is hereby cancelled.

The following lateral marks have been repositioned within the main channel leading to the Exe Estuary:

- No.4 Port lateral buoy. Lat. 50° 36.186N – Long. 003° 23.996W.
- No.5 Starboard lateral buoy. Lat. 50° 36.306N – Long. 003° 23.958W.
- No.6 Port lateral buoy. Lat. 50° 36.291N – Long. 003° 24.024W.

Mariners are reminded to update pilotage plans for entering or leaving the Estuary.

No.14 port lateral buoy (red unlit) is now back in position

Number: 11/21 **Date:** 19 April 2021

Notice 10/21 is hereby cancelled.

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th of April, essential maintenance is due to be undertaken on the approaches to the Exe Estuary Channel.

On the 21st work will be undertaken to deepen the channel in the region of No.21 starboard lateral buoy.

Masters of vessels are requested to proceed with caution at both areas on both dates

No.14 port lateral mark (red unlit) is off station

Number: 10/21 **Date:** 15 April 2021

Notice is hereby given that No.14 port lateral mark (red unlit) is off station.

The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Vertical light on Trout's Pontoon reinstated

Number: 09/21 **Date:** 25 March 2021

Notice is hereby given that the lower vertical, red fixed light on the fixed post at Turf entrance is now reinstated.

Notice 04/21 is hereby cancelled.

Vertical lights on Trout's Pontoon extinguished

Number: 08/21 **Date:** 26 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that the two green vertical lights on Trout's Pontoon at Topsham are extinguished until further notice.

No.5 lateral mark is now in position

Number: 07/21 **Date:** 26 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that in the approach to the river the Exe No.5 lateral mark (green unlit) is now in position Lat. 50° 36.308' N – Long. 003° 23.970' W.

Notice 03/21 is hereby cancelled.

EPA have established a new "East Cardinal Buoy"

Number: 06/21 **Date:** 17 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that Exeter Port Authority have established a new "East Cardinal Buoy".

The buoy is east of the permanent wreck, situated south east of Cockwood.

East cardinal buoy position: Lat. 50° 36.874' N – Long. 003° 26.505' W.

Light characteristics Q(3)10s.

Safe Water Buoy "Exe" is off station

Number: 05/21 **Date:** 11 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that the Safe Water Buoy "Exe" is off station.

The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

The lower vertical, red fixed light on the fixed post at Turf entrance is extinguished

Number: 04/21 **Date:** 3 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that the lower vertical, red fixed light on the fixed post at Turf entrance is extinguished.

The light will be replaced as soon as possible.

Exe No.5 lateral mark (green unlit) is out of position

Number: 03/21 **Date:** 2 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that in the approach to the river the Exe No.5 lateral mark (green unlit) is out of position.

The mark will be moved back as soon as possible.

Sunken vessel has been removed

Number: 02/21 **Date:** 26 January 2021

Notice is given that the small sailing vessel that was sunk on its mooring at position 50° 37.44 N - 3° 26.39 W near Starcross has been removed

Notice 01/21 is hereby cancelled

Sailing vessel has sunk on its mooring near Starcross

Number: 01/21 **Date:** 22 January 2021

Notice is given that a small sailing vessel has sunk on its mooring near Starcross.

Position: 50° 37.44 N - 3° 26.39 W and mariners should navigate with caution in the area.

The sunken craft will be removed as soon as possible.