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The Exeter City Council, pursuant to the powers conferred upon them by Section 94 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907, and all other powers enabling them, are prepared to issue licenses for pleasure boats to be let for hire or to be used for carrying passengers for hire upon the River Exe within the boundaries of the City of Exeter and upon the Exeter Canal, and to boatmen or persons in charge of the navigation of such boats, on the following terms and conditions, viz. :—

1. All licenses shall, except as hereinafter provided, continue in force for a period terminating not later than the 31st day of December in the year in which they are granted.
2. The fees for licenses shall be as follows :—

For any boat propelled by hand power	...	1	0
For any boat propelled by mechanical power	...	5	0
For a boatman's license	...	1	0

3. Every proprietor of a licensed pleasure boat shall cause a number corresponding in every particular with the number of the license granted to him in respect of the boat, to be painted in black oil colour on a white ground in a conspicuous position on the exterior of the stern, and in figures of not less than 3 inches in height and of not less than 2 inches in breadth. He shall cause such number so painted to be kept plainly and distinctly visible and legible at all times while the boat may ply or be used for hire, and with this view shall also cause it to be renewed as often as may be necessary.
4. Every license granted for a pleasure boat shall state therein the number of persons permitted to be carried in such boat. Such number shall be fixed by the City Council. Children under the age of two years shall not be counted as passengers, but if above that age and not exceeding ten years, two shall be counted as one passenger.
5. The license shall also state the extreme length, the extreme width, and the extreme depth of the boat in respect of which it is granted.
6. The owner or proprietor applying for a license for a pleasure boat shall undertake (and shall be deemed to undertake) that the hull of the boat is sound, that the boat is stable, that its machinery (if any) and equipments are complete and in good condition, and that it is generally efficient for use as a pleasure boat. He shall also undertake that in all these respects the boat shall be maintained in an equal state of efficiency while it plies or is used for hire.

7. The proprietor of a licensed pleasure boat shall not let the same on hire to any person drunk or otherwise incapacitated, nor to any person whom such proprietor does not reasonably believe to be competent to manage such boat.
8. No pleasure boat propelled by mechanical power (hereinafter referred to as a motor boat) shall be used for the carrying of passengers for hire without some person licensed as hereinafter mentioned is in charge of the navigation of such boat.
9. The City Council will license persons who in their opinion are fit and qualified to act as boatmen in the charge or navigation of motor boats, and no such boat shall be used for the carrying of passengers for hire unless it be under the charge of such licensed boatman.
10. A charge of 2/6 will be made for the passage of motor boats through the Canal Locks, including the return journey through the Locks, provided it is effected on the same day. The charge of 2/6 will be reduced to 1/6 if the passage of such boat does not entail the opening of any lock for the passage of such boat alone.
11. A daily permit may be obtained for the use of the Canal by unlicensed motor boats at a rate of 1/- a day.
12. The licensees of motor boats shall, when navigating the Exeter Canal, in all respects observe and comply with the By-laws, Rules and Regulations governing the use of such Canal. Such boat shall not at any time be propelled at a greater speed than 6 miles per hour.

13. Persons in charge of licensed pleasure boats shall observe the customary rules of navigation.
14. A licensed pleasure boat shall not tow more than one boat, and the tow shall be kept within a distance of 20 feet behind such licensed pleasure boat.
15. The owner or owners of a licensed pleasure boat shall keep it free from defect either in respect to safety, state of repair, condition, or cleanliness.
16. Upon every transfer of the ownership of a pleasure boat, in respect of which a license is in force, the transferor shall give notice forthwith of such transfer to the Town Clerk, and shall return the license to the Town Clerk with such notice.

The transferee may obtain continuation of the license in his name for the remainder of the term of the license upon application in writing to the Town Clerk and payment of a fee of 1/- Upon every transfer of ownership of a licensed boat the license shall lapse failing such notice and continuation of the license as aforesaid.

17. The City Council may suspend or revoke any license whenever they shall deem such suspension or revocation to be necessary or desirable in the interest of the public, and also whenever the licensee fails to observe or comply with any of the conditions under which the license is granted.
18. Any officer duly appointed by the Council for the purpose shall have full right at all times to enter upon the yard or premises of any licensed owner and to inspect any boats in respect of which he or she is

licensed. No licensed owner or person in attendance shall obstruct or hinder any such officer from making such entry and inspection or otherwise in the execution of his duties in regard to these Conditions.

19. Every licensed owner and every person licensed to navigate a motor boat shall, on demand, produce his or her license to any duly authorised officer of the Council.

Adopted at a meeting of the Exeter City Council, held at the Guildhall, Exeter, on the 7th July, 1909.

H. LLOYD PARRY,

Town Clerk.