

# Port of Wisbech Authority

## Local Notice to Mariners

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England – East Coast – The Wash Ports – River Nene

Admiralty Chart 1200, Imray Y9

### **MARINE SAFETY IN THE WISBECH HARBOUR AUTHORITY AREA OF JURISDICTION STATUTORY REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS AND SERIOUS INJURIES**

Mariners are hereby reminded that The Merchant Shipping (Accident Reporting and Investigation) Regulations 2012 introduced statutory accident reporting requirements for ships, fishing vessels, recreational craft and other craft or boats in certain circumstances, as defined, whether at sea or in a port or harbour. Persons in charge of vessels in the Wisbech Harbour Authority should ensure that they are fully aware of and comply with the statutory accident reporting requirements applicable to their vessel.

Helpful information, guidance notes, and reporting forms are provided by the Marine Accident Investigation Branch (MAIB) online as follows:

[www.maib.gov.uk/report\\_an\\_accident/index.cfm](http://www.maib.gov.uk/report_an_accident/index.cfm)

The Regulations also require that the Wisbech Harbour Authority reports any accident or serious injury it is aware of, that occurs within or adjacent to the limits of its jurisdiction.

To facilitate such reports, any person in charge of a vessel in the Wisbech Harbour Authority who makes a report to the Chief Inspector of MAIB in accordance with the requirements of the Regulations, should also provide details to the Wisbech Harbour Authority Harbour Master at the address shown below, by the quickest means available.

In addition to the statutory reporting requirements, users of the Wisbech Harbour Authority are also encouraged to voluntarily report other hazardous incidents or potentially dangerous situations, where harm to people or damage to property or the environment could have occurred. These reports should be submitted in writing to the Wisbech Harbour Authority Harbour Master.

Vessels should maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 9 and 16.

If any further information is required please contact the Harbour Office 01945 588059



**Jamie Hemming**  
Harbour Master