

# Port of Wisbech Harbour Authority Local Notice to Mariners Register

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England – East Coast – The Wash Ports – River Nene  
Admiralty Chart 1200, Imray Y9.

## USE OF LICENCED BOATMEN WITHIN THE RIVER NENE JURISDICTION

***Owners, Agents, Charterers, should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the Master or person in charge of their vessels or craft prior to arrival.***

This procedure outlines the requirements for vessels with regards the use of licensed boatmen and the handling of ships moorings within the River Nene. The berth / terminal operator of the facility not operated by Port of Wisbech Harbour Authority should have their own procedures which should be adhered to.

### Berthing and Un-berthing Operations

Mooring and unmooring of vessels must be undertaken by trained and licensed mooring gangs. It is not permitted for ship's crew to embark or disembark the vessel without appropriate gangway being rigged and therefore crew are not permitted to catch or release mooring lines from the quay.

The practice of putting mooring lines out on a bight in order that they can be slipped is also not permitted.

### Shifting Operations

- Vessels should ensure that the latest edition of the Pilotage Direction is consulted and adhered to when shifting.
- Vessels requiring compulsory pilotage must ensure that a pilot is utilised if letting all ropes go to facilitate shifting.
- If the vessel requires shifting licensed boatmen are required at all times.

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.

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01945 588059 or 07860 576685 or [PortAuthority@fenland.gov.uk](mailto:PortAuthority@fenland.gov.uk)

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