



LANGSTONE HARBOUR
LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 06 OF 2021

VHF FREQUENCY FOR HARBOUR OPERATIONS

Mariners are advised that VHF Channel 68 has been allocated for the conduct of port operations in Langstone Harbour. This channel may now be used for operational communications within Langstone Harbour, typically including the co-ordination of traffic movement under pilotage, co-ordination of workboat or diving operations and initial reports to Harbour Office (for example by visiting yachts requiring access to visitor's moorings).

A listening watch on this frequency will be kept while the Harbour Office is staffed during normal office hours and at other times as required **but will not constitute a Local Port Service**. It is recommended that harbour users keep a watch on VHF Channel 68 while within Port limits for any safety or operational information broadcasts made by call sign **Langstone Harbour Radio**.

The use of low power settings on VHF equipment when calling is recommended in order to reduce interference with other Solent harbours using this frequency (Hamble, Yarmouth and Beaulieu).

Vessels operating in the approaches to Langstone Harbour are reminded of the requirement to listen to the Southampton Port or Queen's Harbour Master, Portsmouth working frequencies. (Across the broader eastern Solent, VTS Southampton use Ch12 to control traffic. When approaching Portsmouth and certainly north of a line between Outer Spit Buoy (OSB) and Gilkicker Point listen to Ch 11 for QHM.)

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the Masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.

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