



Information for Personal Watercraft Users

This guide has been put together to assist Personal Watercraft (PWC) users from Shoreham port.

It is hoped that information contained within this information leaflet, will assist users of PWC's to enjoy their experience and behave in a Safe Responsible Manner. PWC users must at all times adhere to the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (COLREGs).

Operating PWC's within Shoreham Port

- Launching and recovering of PWC's is only permitted from a designated launch and recovery site (See diagrams attached for The Harbour club and Sussex Marine Watersports launch sites).
- All PWC users must adhere to rules as set by the designated launch providers.
- All PWC users must be trained and be of a minimum age of 16 years old.
- On launching from one of the two designated and recovery launch site, PWC users are to proceed directly to sea at a safe speed of below 6 knots.
- On entering Shoreham Port, PWC users are to proceed directly to their designated launch and recovery site at a safe speed below 6 knots.
- Do not operate PWC's within the river Adur west of the Harbour Club.
- PWC's users must stay clear of bathing areas, such as Kingston Beach and Fort Beach.
- Any incidents must be reported to the Harbour Master that you may have witnessed or have been involved in.
- Assist the Harbour Master or representatives of the Harbour Master, when investigating any incidents that may have occurred within the Harbour or the approaches.
- Obey all [General Directions of Shoreham Port](#).

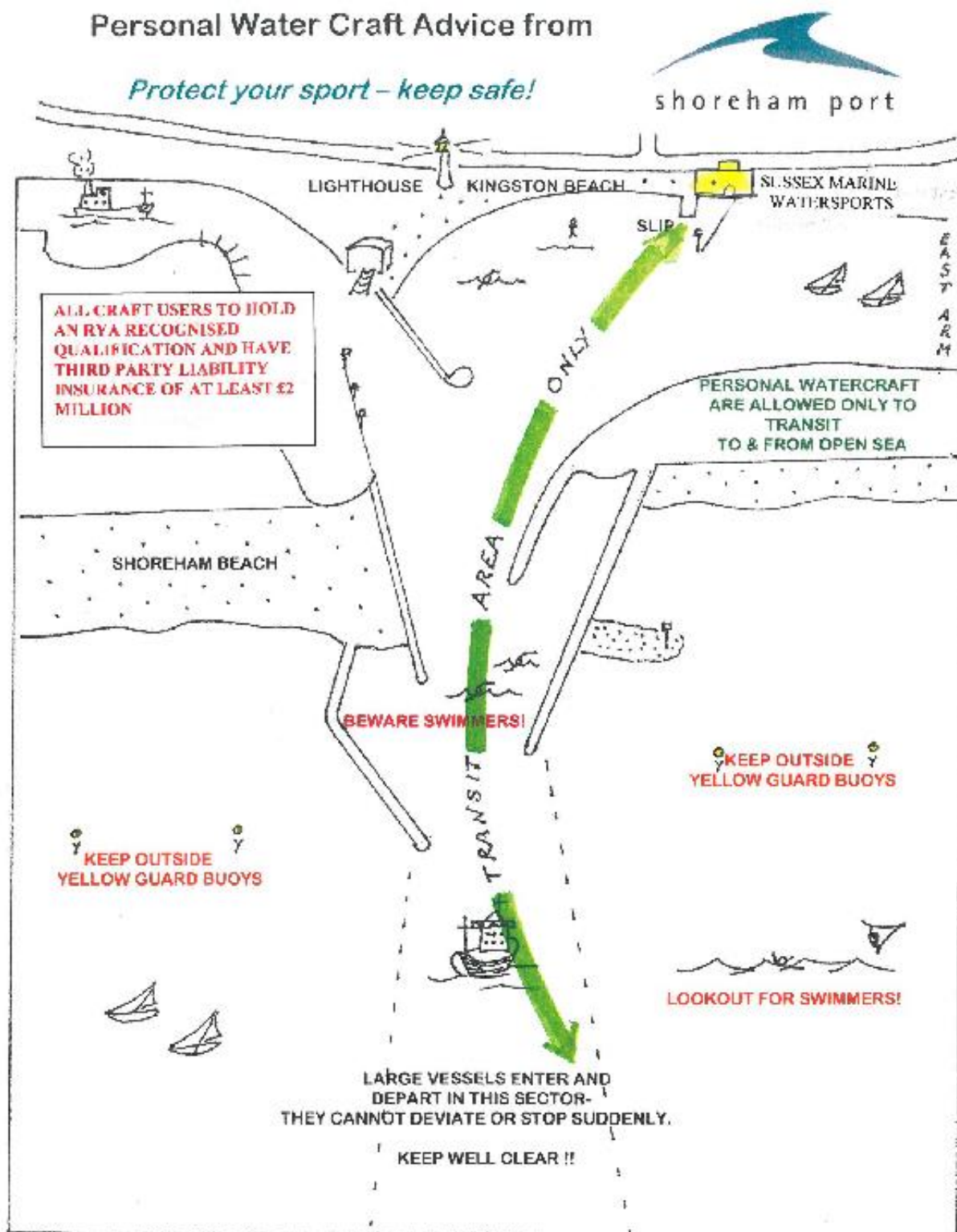
For further information about operating vessels (including PWC's) within Shoreham Port please visit our Marine Page on our website.

www.shoreham-port.co.uk/what-we-do/marine/

Or

by contacting our Reception Team on 01273 598100

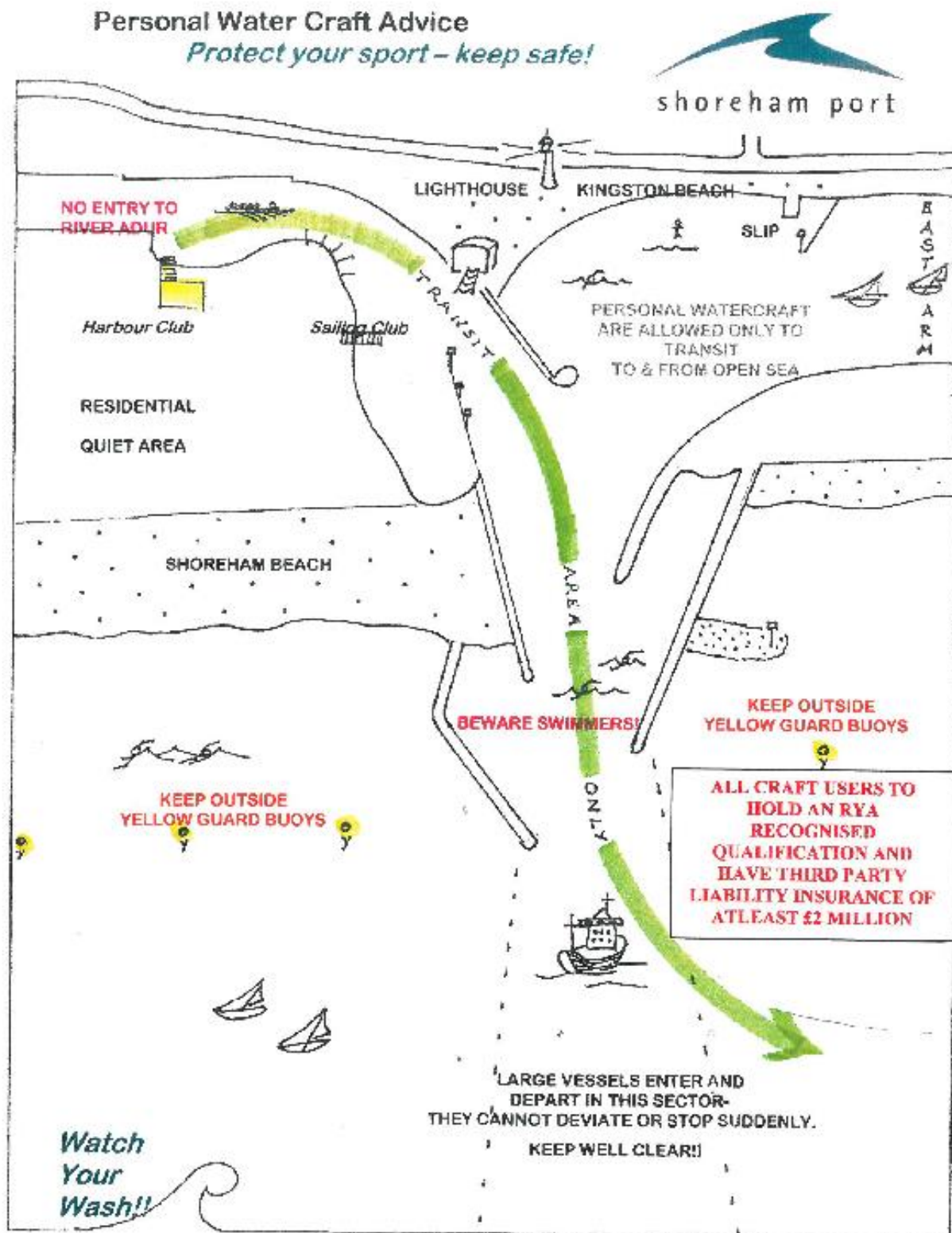
PWC launching from Sussex Marine Watersports



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PWC launching from The Harbour Club

Personal Water Craft Advice
Protect your sport – keep safe!



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Operating Jet Ski's in Areas Controlled by Brighton & Hove City Council

When operating in waters around the Area controlled by Brighton and Hove please see the rules for operating watercraft near to the shoreline.

- Vessels propelled either by motor or sail are not permitted to enter these bathing areas during May to September inclusive.
- Vessels powered by sail may use the waters outside the bathing zones and 200m out from the shore.
- From May to September motorised craft can only come within 200 metres of the beach designated boat lane areas. These are at: Hove Lagoon, Westbourne Villas, Adelaide Crescent, Ship Street, Royal Crescent, Lewes Crescent. Look for the yellow Boating Buoys which clearly states boat lane on them. Also on the shore are two tall yellow pole markers which mark the boat lane.
- At all times of the year, motorised craft may not exceed a speed of 5 nautical miles per hour within 200 metres of the shoreline and must not exceed 10 nautical miles per hour within 400 metres of the shoreline.
- Between October and April inclusive, there are no designated bathing areas. Vessels powered by sail or motor may use all of the beaches provided that the motorised craft keep within the speed limit.

For further information please see Brighton and Hove Councils Seafront Bylaws and accessibility:

www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/libraries-leisure-and-arts/seafront/seafront-bylaws-and-accessibility/bathing-and-boating-bylaws

Or

by contacting the Seafront Office by telephone on:
01273 292716

Operating Jet Ski's in Areas Controlled by Adur & Worthing Councils

When operating in waters around the Area controlled by Adur & Worthing please see the rules for operating watercraft near to the shoreline.

- Yellow 8 knot special marker buoys running horizontally from Southwick Basin to our Ferring boundary. Any vessel inside of these markers are restricted to a maximum speed of 8 knots.
- No motorized or sail craft to enter any designated swim area.

For further information there is a public launch ramp located off Alinora car park in Worthing, although there is no use of vehicles to aid launch and recovery.

For further information please see Adur & Worthing councils Seafront website:

www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/beaches-and-foreshore/coastal-office/

Or

by contacting the Seafront Office by telephone on:
01903 238977

Please note that information contained within the information is not an exhaustive list and further guidance and safety advice can be obtained on the following websites.

Royal Yachting Association - www.rya.org.uk/knowledge/safety/pwsafety

Coastguard Safety Campaign - <https://coastguardsafety.campaign.gov.uk/>

Royal National Lifeboat Institution - <https://rnli.org/safety>