



Falmouth Harbour
Commissioners

PORT NOTICE TO MARINERS

NO. 38 of 2019

CONSULTATION ON NEW HARBOUR DIRECTIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN; that harbour directions are being promoted using powers derived from the Marine Navigation Act 2014 to introduce a new speed limit in the Inner Harbour.

The Code of Practice for the making of harbour directions requires that draft directions are consulted with harbour users prior to being made. This notice is being used to announce a consultation on this proposal.

Under the proposal, the speed limit within Falmouth Inner Harbour will change from 8kts to 6kts.

No ship navigating in the Fal Estuary to Westward of a line drawn from the end of the Eastern Jetty to Trefusis Headland and passing through Tom Brown Rock (charted feature). Shall exceed a speed through the water of 6kts.

The change is being proposed as a safety measure for port users.

In recent years there has been a steady increase of both recreation and commercial vessels and therefore the traffic density in the Inner Harbour. There has also been an increase in the number of small craft which are more susceptible to the effects of wash and a greater incidence of hazards due to wash occurring within the Docks Basin. Accordingly, to improve safety, it is proposed to move the boundary of the maximum speed limit for the Inner Harbour and to reduce the maximum speed allowable from 8 to 6 knots.

Notice is drawn to the two relevant Harbour Directions that are published upon FHC website; www.falmouthharbour.co.uk

1. Falmouth Docks and Engineering Company - Notice of Direction 1/19
2. Falmouth Harbour Commissioners - Notice of Direction 2/19

How to respond to the consultation.

Consultation responses must be in writing and should be addressed to;

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Consultation closes at 1200 on Friday 31st January



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