



Associated British Ports - Lowestoft

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**Lowestoft – Information Relating to Harbour Use During Easing of
COVID-19 Restrictions**

Mariners and Port Users are advised that ABP Lowestoft has been working with the Government, other harbours regionally and national associations, to allow a phased return to the water without increasing risk to public health and placing extra burden on our emergency services, including Coastguard Rescue Teams and RNLI.

Subject to ongoing clarification, which is being sought from the Government, the harbour is maintaining its statutory open port policy by continuing to facilitate use of the harbour by commercial and now leisure vessels that comply within the COVID-19 restrictions.

For leisure vessels at yacht clubs and marinas, please check with your mooring provider before leaving home for access restrictions. If you are planning to use your craft in Harbour areas or at sea, please make extra effort to ensure that all maintenance and pre-season checks are completed. Please don't put additional strain on our emergency services by risking a coastguard response or lifeboat call-out.

Please ensure that government guidelines relating to social distancing are followed when accessing craft and when afloat. Mariners should be aware that the Police have issued fines to individuals not adhering to the law on social distancing or public gatherings.



Please contact Lowestoft Port Control, VHF Ch14, or Tel. 01502 572286, if further information is required

Harbour Master

14th May 2020

Notices to Mariners Currently in Force: 2006 No.5 2007 No.13 2009 No.19 2011 No.7, No.10, No.19 2012 No.3, 2013 No.17, No.19, 2015 No.24 2016 No.12 2017 No.5, No.22, No.24, No.32, No.34 2018 No.34, 2019 No.2, No.18, No.27 2020 No.1, No.5, No.10, No.12a, No.17, No.22, No.23, No.24

(See also http://www.abports.co.uk/Marine/Short_Sea_Ports/Lowestoft/Notices_to_Mariners/)