

KING'S HARBOUR MASTER CLYDE

DIRECTION No 05/21

REGISTRATION AND REGULATION OF HIGH SPEED CRAFT WITHIN CDP

Reference:

Statutory Instrument 2011 No 1680. The Clyde Dockyard Port of Gareloch and Loch Long Order

Introduction:

1. Mariners are advised that the Queen's Harbour Master Clyde has made the following General Direction under the Clyde Dockyard Port Order 2011.

2. Mariners are advised that the speed limit within Clyde Dockyard Port (CDP) is 12 knots with the exception of the Rhu Narrows Restricted Channel, the Faslane Restricted Area, the Coulport Restricted Area and the Coulport Fishing Exclusion Zone where the speed of any vessel shall not exceed 7 knots. Any vessel wishing to operate at speeds higher than this are to apply for a licence from the Queen's Harbour Master (QHM) prior to engaging in high speed activity. Ministry of Defence Police and Royal Marines have a specific authority that permits them to exceed the speed limit in the course of their duty and this General Direction does not apply to them.

Application for High Speed Licences

3. Applications for high speed licences are to be made to the Port Conservancy Officer (PCO), in writing, at Renown Building, HMNB Clyde, Faslane, Helensburgh G84 8HL. They should include the full name, DOB, address and mobile telephone number of the vessel's owner and all individuals who will Master the vessel. The dimensions and main colour of the hull, the type of vessel and name if appropriate together with the reason for requesting a high speed licence. PCO, on behalf of QHM, will grant (or otherwise) the licence by letter within 28 days of receipt of the request. Permission to proceed at higher speeds than those detailed in Paragraph 4 is for the following areas only:

i. Gareloch South of 56 02.4N but NOT within the Rhu Narrows Restricted Channel at any time.

ii. Loch Long South of 090 degrees Raven Rock Point Light and North of the Pylon Power Cables at 56 05.1N.

- iii. Loch Goil South of 56 08N and North of 56 09N.
- 4. Vessels granted this permission are subject to the following conditions:

i. These vessels are to navigate at a safe speed at all times, having particular regard for the safety of other water users in the vicinity and the prevailing conditions.

ii. These vessels are not to impede the safe passage of any military traffic within CDP.

iii. These vessels are to comply with any additional instructions issued by QHM or his representative, including Harbour Controllers or Ministry of Defence Police Officers.

iv. Licences are to be available onboard the vessel for inspection by Ministry of Defence Police Officers.

5. The high speed licence will be valid for 2 year from date of issue, although QHM retains the right to revoke high speed licences at any time. Applications for renewal should be made as per paragraph 2 in good time.

6. This General Direction will be reviewed by 10 Jan 22.

Queen's Harbour Master

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