

HOLYHEAD – LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS 08/2010

SAFETY ADVICE FOR LEISURE USERS

Lifejackets

All those engaged in marine leisure activities are strongly advised to wear a lifejacket that is maintained, correctly worn and fit for purpose whilst at sea.

Navigation and Communications

The working channel for the harbour is VHF channel 14. Holyhead Port Control operates on channel 14. All craft should monitor this channel when approaching or navigating within the harbour. Ferry movements and navigational warnings are broadcast on this channel. Holyhead Coastguard monitors channel 14 and maintains a listening watch on channel 16. For Marina Pontoon availability and Sailing Club launch calling, use channel 37A .

Harbour Regulations and Information

Information about the port and regulations that apply in the harbour, are contained in Bye – Laws and in Local Notices to Mariners. Those principally affecting leisure users are:

LNTM 4 / 2010 – COMMERCIAL AND LEISURE DIVING OPERATIONS

LNTM 6 / 2010 – SUMMARY OF BYE-LAWS AND HARBOUR REGULATIONS

LNTM 7 / 2010 – GUIDELINES FOR LEISURE USERS.

LNTM 8 / 2010 – SAFETY ADVICE FOR LEISURE USERS

Local Notices to Mariners are available at the marina and sailing club. They can also be downloaded from the navigation page of the port website, www.holyheadport.com.

Safety of Life at Sea

The MCA produce a two page leaflet “SOLAS V – For Pleasure Craft”

This leaflet gives safety advice and outlines what regulations leisure users are required to observe when at sea. It also contains advice for passage planning. Copies can be obtained from the port and MCA websites and are also available at the marina, sailing club and Coast Guard.

Weather conditions and tidal information

Strong tides can flow across the entrance to the harbour. Local sets and rates can be obtained from the navigation page of the port website.

Weather information can be obtained from Holyhead Port Control.

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Port of Holyhead