

## NOTICE TO MARINERS      No.6 of 2020

### COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS RECREATION AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES

We are issuing this in line with current Government coronavirus guidance, placing restrictions on movement.

To reduce social contact, travel and potential strain on emergency services, we strongly recommend that **all** recreation and leisure activities on the tidal Thames are avoided until further notice.

Our priority at the PLA is to help ensure the UK continues to receive essential supplies of food, fuel and medical goods at this time.

As a result, we expect to have a reduced capability in responding to recreational incidents on the river.

To support our essential port operations, we are reducing the operating hours of our harbour service patrols between Putney and Teddington.

We are grateful for your co-operation in these exceptional circumstances.

**24 March 2020**

Port of London Authority  
London River House, Royal Pier Road,  
Gravesend, Kent DA12 2BG

**Bob Baker**  
Chief Harbour Master



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