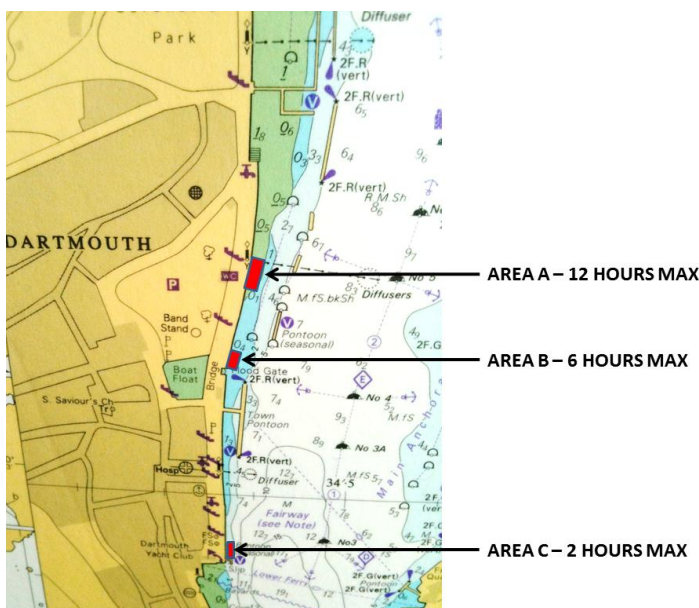


Dart Harbour

Local Notice to Mariners 11-11

Dartmouth Town Short Stay Walk Ashore Access for Tender/Dinghy Pontoons - Reiteration of Policy

1. One of Dart Harbour's overriding statutory requirements is provision of safe navigation and port facilities for all vessels within the harbour limits. One of the more challenged areas in the river is the paucity of walk ashore dinghy facilities at North and South Embankment in the town of Dartmouth, resulting in potentially dangerous overcrowding. In the interests of safety and in order to be fair to all river users including fee paying permanent berth holders, it is necessary to reiterate regulations regarding use of short stay dinghy / tender pontoons in these areas. There are three walk ashore pontoon areas allocated for tenders/dinghies as follows:



Area A – 'Green' Pontoons – Tender/dinghies up to 4.3m LOA may berth at this pontoon for a period of up to 12 hours. Dinghies/tenders should not be pulled up onto the pontoon for safety reasons.

Area B – 'Double Steps' Pontoon. Tenders/dinghies up to 4.3m LOA are allowed to be berthed on this pontoon for a period of up to 6 hours. Vessel skippers are requested not to obstruct the 'Commercial Vessel' Pontoon immediately to the north.

Area C – 'Yacht Club' Pontoon. Tenders/dinghies up to 4.3m LOA may berth at this pontoon on the inside (marked area) for a period of up to 2 hours. No return within 6 hours.

2. The three areas are clearly marked with signs denoting the maximum stay permissible. River users are reminded that no long stay or permanent berthing is permitted at these pontoons. Vessels of skippers abusing these facilities will be towed away by the Harbour Authority and a charge will apply.

3. Review this LNTM on 31 January 2012.

Rob Giles
Harbour Master

28 June 2011