



## Safe navigation for recreational users

This leaflet is for all River Tyne recreational users and water sports enthusiasts.

It highlights important navigational and safety advice which when followed will make leisure activities safe for all users of the River Tyne. To see all Port of Tyne byelaws visit [www.portoftyne.co.uk](http://www.portoftyne.co.uk).

All river users can play their part by following this simple advice, having understanding and respect for other river users, and respecting and protecting the environment so that it can be enjoyed for future generations.

## The Port of Tyne welcomes river use for recreational activity

Don't forget that the River Tyne is a very busy commercial waterway. So it is important that all river users understand, respect and have consideration for each other. Please follow this simple code of behaviour at all times:



### DO

- ✓ Keep to starboard (right hand) side of the channel
- ✓ Proceed at a safe speed with due regard to the conditions and traffic
- ✓ Wear a suitable life jacket or buoyancy aid
- ✓ Respect other users' right to lawful navigation

### DO NOT

- ✗ Navigate in an inconsiderate or dangerous way such as;
  - ✗ Inappropriate speed
  - ✗ Creating wash that upsets other river craft
  - ✗ Any behaviour that could cause injury or damage
  - ✗ Swim, dive or engage in underwater activities

For further information contact:

**Harbour Office and Tyne VTS**  
 Port of Tyne, Neville House, 4th floor, Bell Street  
 North Shields, Tyne & Wear, NE30 1LJ  
 T: 0191 257 0407  
 F: 0191 258 3238  
 E: [Harbour.Office@portoftyne.co.uk](mailto:Harbour.Office@portoftyne.co.uk)  
 W: [www.portoftyne.co.uk](http://www.portoftyne.co.uk)

## GUIDANCE FOR RECREATIONAL RIVER USERS






# SPEED LIMITS AND RECREATIONAL ZONES



Scan for Port byelaws or visit [www.portoftyne.co.uk](http://www.portoftyne.co.uk)

**KEY - Speed restrictions and recommended locations/activities**

 Bridge	 6 knot speed limit applies
 Slipway	 Relaxed speed limit - all other byelaws apply

