

## Notice to Mariners

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Following the end of the government lockdown the Isle of Wight is currently designated as a Tier 1 area from 2 December 2020; accordingly, most potential visitors will be traveling from a higher tier.

Current advice is that people do not travel from a higher tier (e.g. tier 2 to tier 1); accordingly travelling should be avoided but, if essential, visitors must continue to follow rules from their original tier.

In the absence of further guidance Newport Harbour's number one priority remains to ensure the safety of the harbour, as well its staff and customers, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. All harbour users and customers are advised to adhere to the Government's guidelines.

Newport Harbour is implementing the following from 2 December until further notice.

### **Newport Harbour/Folly Visitor Moorings**

The continuation of no overnight berthing at Newport Harbour's visitor pontoons, without prior arrangement; this includes the Folly visitor pontoon.

### **Harbour Office**

Newport Harbour Office will be closed to customers and visitors and all communications should be sent via email to [Newport.harbour@iow.gov.uk](mailto:Newport.harbour@iow.gov.uk) or alternatively, customers may phone on 01983 823885. If the phone is not answered please leave a message and the harbour staff will call you back.

### **Folly Water taxi**

For berth holders the harbour water taxi will be running a limited service. For further information for the water taxi please contact Folly Ventures on 07884 400 046, or 07974 864 627, or email [Follymooring@hotmail.com](mailto:Follymooring@hotmail.com)

For Odessa Boatyard, Island Harbour and transiting through Cowes Harbour, boat users are advised to visit their respective websites and contact them directly for their most up-to-date information.

### **Open Port**

As a Harbour Authority, Newport Harbour has a statutory duty to maintain an 'Open Port Policy' for freedom of navigation and public use. Commercial shipping will continue to operate as usual, and unless notified otherwise by the UK Government, the harbour will remain open to any vessel that needs to transit the harbour or access a berth.

**Further Information**

Newport Harbour will keep these policies under review in line with UK Government guidance and inform harbour users on any further updates. Newport Harbour would like to reiterate that all customers and harbour users should adhere to the latest Government guidelines regarding leaving home and ensure their trip to Newport harbour is in compliance with these rules.

Thank you for your understanding and patience. Stay safe.

Jonathan Brand, Senior Harbour Master