

## **NOTICE TO MARINERS**

**No 31 (T) of 2018**

### **Cowes Week Regatta Red Arrows and Fireworks**

**Display: 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

### **Temporary Speed Limit 2130 – 2300 BST**

**Notice is hereby given** to advise mariners a strict speed limit of 15 knots will be imposed for all vessels navigating throughout the Solent and Southampton Water, from 2130BST to 2300BST, to promote the safe and orderly departure of vessels from the display area on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018. The only craft exempted from this speed restriction will be Red Funnel and Red Jet high-speed vessels. Red Jets on the Cowes to Southampton route will indicate their presence by illuminating their quick flashing yellow identification lights during the above period.

This measure has been introduced to reduce the risk of collision between the many hundreds of small craft that gather to view the firework display. In previous years collisions have occurred, particularly after the event, which have resulted in serious personal injury to passengers and crews of small craft.

Mariners are reminded of the importance of displaying the correct navigation lights, maintaining a good lookout at all times in all directions, and proceeding at a speed consistent with safe navigation. This is particularly important at the conclusion of the display as spectator craft get underway and return to their home ports.

Please refer to Cowes Harbour Commission LNTM No 19/2018 for details surrounding both the Red Arrows Display and the Fireworks Display.

This notice will be self-cancelling on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre  
Ocean Gate, Atlantic Way  
Southampton**

**Captain P J A Buckley  
Harbour Master**

7<sup>th</sup> August 2018

**Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.**

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