



EXE ESTUARY SHORE CODE

Advice for walkers, birdwatchers, fishermen and day visitors to the Exe



BE SAFE

- Don't put yourself or others at risk, be aware of the dangers from rising tides, soft mud, cliff edges and strong currents.



PREVENT LITTER

- Bin litter or take it home.



BE CONSIDERATE TO OTHER ESTUARY USERS

- Always keep pets under control and don't block access points.



FISH WISELY

- Avoid waste, only take bait for planned trips, don't discard tackle and return unwanted fish to the sea.

OBSERVE ESTUARY BYELAWS AND WARNING SIGNS

- Check for information at access points.

- Never swim in the Navigation Channel or in areas marked by red flags - it is dangerous to go in to the water at these points.
- Always follow instructions provided on warning and information signs around the Estuary.

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PROTECT AND AVOID DISTURBING WILDLIFE

- Enjoy watching the wildlife but keep your distance, especially from birds gathering at high water.

For Further Information:

EXE ESTUARY CODE Estuary Co-ordinator -	01392 382236
HARBOUR SERVICES River and Canal Manager -	01392 274306
POLLUTION PREVENTION Environment Agency Office Hours - 24hr Hotline -	01392 444000 0800 807060
SAFETY Coastguard Agency(Brixham) -	01803 882704
FISHERIES Devon Sea Fisheries Committee - Environment Agency (as Pollution Prevention)	01803 854648
NATURE CONSERVATION Dawlish Warren Local Nature Reserve - Devon Wildlife Trust - English Nature - Exmouth Local Nature Reserve - Royal Society for the Protection of Birds -	01626 863980 01392 279244 01837 55045 01395 516551 01392 432691

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ENGLISH NATURE

In an emergency, please contact the Coastguard by dialling 999 or using VHF Channel 16



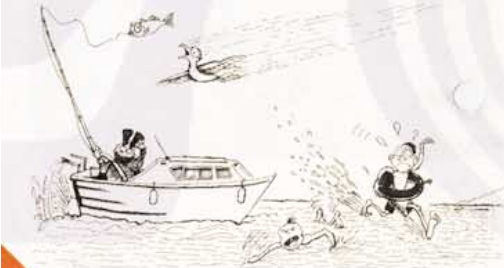
EXE ESTUARY WATER CODE

Advice for Exe Estuary Water Users



BE SAFE ON THE WATER

- Don't put yourself and others at risk, be aware of weather and tidal conditions, the use of safety equipment, emergency procedures and keep a good look-out.



KEEP TO THE APPROPRIATE AREA FOR YOUR ACTIVITY

- Don't enter bathing areas, swimmers and boats don't mix.

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PREVENT RUBBISH ON THE WATER

- Bin rubbish or take it home.



PROTECT AND AVOID DISTURBING WILDLIFE

- Enjoy watching the wildlife but keep your distance, especially from birds gathering at high water.



BE CONSIDERATE TO OTHER ESTUARY USERS

- Keep noise and wake to a minimum near to the shore, to wildlife or to other water users. Don't be a nuisance.



PREVENT POLLUTION FROM YOUR BOAT

- Use a ground sheet when undertaking maintenance. Clean up spills and don't dump overboard. Do not use your inboard toilet (head) in the Estuary.

OBSERVE ESTUARY BYELAWS

- Check for information at access points and adhere to the Navigation Byelaws (Max penalty £1000).

Exe Estuary Navigation Byelaws

- Byelaw 4: Do not exceed speed limit; 10 Knots max.
- Byelaw 5: Skiing only allowed in ski area marked by yellow buoys.
- Byelaw 6: Navigate with due care and attention and with reasonable care for others.

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A Code of Conduct for Shore and Water Users

