

Molesey Vets Head: SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Information – availability (Before the Head, ensure the following):

- The draw, information notices for competitors, safety instructions, radio procedures, risk assessment, are all available (and easily located) on the MVH/Regatta website. (www.moleseyregatta.org.uk)
- This **includes a map** of the course with possible landing points for casualties, and positioning of safety boats, clearly marked.
- Hard copies of these information sheets (including **multiple copies of the course map**) to be available at the Event.

On the Day

- All marshals, launch drivers, etc, and a responsible member of each crew must attend the **safety briefing at Molesey Boat Club at 12 noon.**

Navigation

- Warn crews of **potential 2-way traffic behind Platts Eyot** (“Thorneycroft”).
- **MVH will have liaised with Hampton and Aquarius Sailing Clubs** to ask that they keep the river free during the event.
- And the **Environment Agency is to be informed** of the **Head** well in advance, and their agreement obtained to close the stretch of river to navigation during the racing period.

Boating Instructions

- Crews going afloat or landing must **minimise the time** they take on the hard.
- This includes **quickly clearing** the hard of all oars, water bottles, kit, etc.
- Please obey **marshals’ instructions.**

Rowing up to the Start

- Circulation patterns (i.e. rowing up to the marshalling area, using the **Middlesex side of Platts Eyot**, and **only doing any practice starts by turning back down the Surrey side of the Eyot and then continuing right round it**)) are to be advised to all crews beforehand. **Absolute compliance is required.**

Marshalling before the race

- **Marshalling.** At least **10 minutes before the start time**, participating crews must be on their stations on the Surrey bank above Aquarius Sailing Club. Numbers are positioned appropriately on the bank – (1, 10, 20, 30, etc). **Get in correct order. Do not be late !**

After the Race If you are returning to Molesey Boat Club:

- Do **not go down the back** (Middlesex side) of the lock cut.
- **Obey marshals’ instructions, go slow, turn in order** below the Club and come in upstream.

PTO for Emergency Procedures