

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. M51 of 2012

TEDDINGTON to TOWER BRIDGE TORCH RELAY RIVER EVENT

**FRIDAY 27th JULY 2012
0730 - 1330**

The Olympic Torch relay will travel from Hampton Court to Central London on the 27th July 2012. The torch will travel down the river Thames to the Upper Pool, timings posted below are approximate and for information:-

- Teddington Lock 08.30
- Richmond Lock 09.30
- Hammersmith Bridge 10.30
- Chelsea Bridge 11.30
- Westminster Bridge 11.55
- Tower Bridge 12.45

The Torch will be accompanied by a small flotilla of craft that have been authorised to take part in this event. There will be an exclusion zone maintained by Harbour Service Launches ahead and astern of the flotilla in order to maintain security and passage into central London. It is advised that craft are not to follow this event along the tidal section of the river Thames. Vessels are requested to maintain their course and speed so as not to impede both the passage of other vessels and this event.

Local Traffic Control will be undertaken between Teddington Lock and Tower Bridge throughout this event.

Harbour Service Launches will exhibit flashing blue lights and will maintain a watch on VHF channel 14 using the call sign prefix 'THAMES PATROL'.

Once the torch has arrived at the Tower area, this event will be managed to the southern side of the river down river of HMS Belfast, to allow through passage in the area, Please be aware that there may be some short term disruption.

Persons in charge of vessels are to navigate with extra caution and keep a continuous watch on VHF Channel 14 and follow instructions issued by Harbour Service Launches.

Further details will be broadcast by London VTS on VHF Channel 14.

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