

PORT INFORMATION NOTICE

Leisure Craft Conservancy 2023 Amended Application Process and Charges

After consultation with leisure river user stakeholders, Peel Ports London Medway has made changes to the registration process for the purchase of the leisure craft conservancy license. From 1st January 2023 the following will apply to leisure craft conservancy:

1. The 2023 leisure craft conservancy charging period has changed, the license disc will cover a 15 month period from 1st January 2023 to 31st March 2024. Those who register and process the payment before 31st March 2023 will be charged £87.69 (incl. VAT)

Users who do not process the payment by 31st March 2023 will be charged a late payment surcharge of 25% (£21.92 incl. VAT) in addition to the charge above.

2. It is a legal requirement to purchase a Peel Ports leisure conservancy license and enforcement actions for non-payment of dues will be taken in accordance with Section 44 of the Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847.

3. Every boat owner that registers and pays for a leisure conservancy license disc will be eligible for a free copy of the 2023 Peel Ports Medway tide table booklet. The free tide table books will be available from collection points whose locations will be promulgated in due course.

4. Details of those who are liable for the leisure conservancy charge can be found on page 13 of the 2023 tide table booklet which is copied below, <u>please note that the dates in paragraph 2 are incorrect and should read 1st Jan. 2023 to 31st Mar. 2024 a stated above. Details can also be found within the Port of Sheerness, Port Charges document which is posted on the Peel Ports London Medway website.</u>

https://www.peelports.com/media/0g1fodse/port-of-sheerness-port-charges-2023-iss-d.pdf

5. Leisure craft owners can purchase the conservancy license disc through participating clubs or via the "Shopify" online platform <u>https://peel-ports.myshopify.com/</u> for GDPR and privacy policy details please refer to <u>https://peel-ports.myshopify.com/policies/privacy-policy</u>

6. Leisure craft owners who purchase a disc should display it in a prominent position on their boat, preferably on the port side.



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There is a compulsory annual charge in the form of a registration fee, payable by pleasure, leisure and any other small recreational craft including propelled and steered by directionally controlled water jet, with the exception of dinghies under 5.1 metres in length.

This is an annual composite charge, which is not subject to any discount or reduction and its payable for a period of 12 months, between 1st April 2023 and 31st March 2024.

The registration can be completed online, please use the following link: https://peel-ports.myshopify.com/

Should you require further assistance, please contact medway.marinelicensing@peelports.com

In the event that the owner of the pleasure, leisure and any other small recreational craft including propelled and steered by directionally controlled water jet, transfers ownership of it, they must ensure that change of ownership information and documentation, as applicable, is submitted to the Port Authority. If such information or documentation is not provided, or details are materially incorrect, the owner of the craft will remain liable for all charges, expenses and costs in relation to the relevant craft.

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The QR code below can be used to access the "Shopify" website easily if preferred.



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