



**Port of Goole**

**INFORMATION FOR LEISURE CRAFT USERS**

The Port of Goole is a busy commercial undertaking, the largest inland Port in the UK.

The Port handles large sea going vessels on every tide from 3 hours before high water to 1.5 hours after high water.

We also welcome leisure craft users, recognising that Goole is a portal from the River Ouse to the inland waterways.

To ensure we are able to accommodate both commercial & leisure craft in a safe and efficient manner we ask small craft users to undertake/observe a few simple measures in the planning and execution of their passage.

We welcome leisure craft users, but would ask if a few simple measures be taken prior to departure for your voyage.

- Give as much notice of arrival as possible by calling the Duty Assistant Dock Master at Ocean lock on Tele: 01405 721128- giving vessel details, where you are coming from, an approximate arrival/departure time and how many persons on board

- We handle leisure craft free of charge 3hrs before high water to 1.5 hours after high water; outside these times charges apply.
  - Make contact with the lock via VHF Channel 14 as soon as you are in VHF range.
  - When transiting the lock please stop your craft before the yellow line on the lock side (approximately 1 metre wide), You will be asked by the lock head staff to pass your mooring line, and this will be either put around a bollard or through a hook on the side of the lock then passed back to you so as you can 'check' your boat.
  - When locking in; the lock will be filled slowly with the sluice/clough being raised to its first increment; this will stop excessive wash in the lock.
  - As a safety measure we would not take leisure craft in the same lock or pen with commercial vessels.
  - We will endeavour to make maximum use of the lock for leisure craft- as such there may be more than one craft in the lock, and it may be necessary to double bank (raft up)
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- We would encourage all leisure craft users to read the Maritime & Coastguard Agency ' Marine Guidance Note MGN489 this can be found at [www.dft.gov.uk/ukmca](http://www.dft.gov.uk/ukmca)

This provides important information on basic boat safety and procedures for leisure craft.

We trust you have a safe and enjoyable voyage, if there are any enquiries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on the telephone number above.

All the above can also be found on [www.humber.com](http://www.humber.com)