

METROPOLITAN AMATEUR REGATTA 2017

TRAFFIC AND PARKING ARRANGEMENTS

General

Visitors to the regatta should exercise caution at all times as roads will be shared by vehicles, cycles and pedestrians. Direction from regatta staff and officials or Dorney Lake staff should be followed and those failing to do so may be required to leave the site. Parking is permitted in designated parking areas only and access to the island is strictly limited to officials and staff on regatta business. Parking will be charged at £10 per vehicle for the weekend (one day or two), unless a valid regatta parking pass is displayed.

Traffic Flow

Entry to the site will be along the main access road (Arboretum Road) and there will be a control point at the Ash Tree. There will be a two-way traffic flow on the Arboretum Road beyond the Ash Tree and all users should exercise caution as towing vehicles will be using this road. Those permitted to enter the island should note that the traffic flow will also be two-way. Exit from the site will be through the spectator car parks and vehicles will be directed onto this road at the Ash Tree control point.

Towing Vehicles and Boat Trailers

Access will be along the Arboretum Road with parking in the main car park and overflow car park. Access beyond the Ash Tree will be limited to towing vehicles only. Regatta staff will be available in the car park on Friday afternoon and Saturday and Sunday mornings to direct trailers to parking slots and their directions must be followed. Boats may be delivered to the site until 8pm on Friday evening and from 7am on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Competitor and Spectator Parking

Access will be along the Arboretum Road and vehicles will be directed to turn right at the Ash Tree towards the spectator car park. Parking will be charged at £10 for the weekend, one day or two. Money will be collected at the Ash Tree control point.

Subscriber Parking

Access will be along the Arboretum Road and vehicles will be directed from the Ash Tree towards the subscriber parking area. Access to this area will be free for those with subscriber parking passes.

Disabled Drop Off

Vehicles with blue disabled parking passes will be permitted to continue on the Arboretum Road past the Ash Tree to drop off disabled passengers at the end of the bund, near the

finish and spectator tent. Vehicles will be required to return to the spectator or subscriber parking areas after dropping off and parking will be charged at £10 for the weekend, one day or two, unless they display valid regatta passes.

Regatta Officials and Staff

Regatta officials and staff displaying valid passes may use all roads for regatta business, including the island and Droveaway, as necessary. Parking will be available in all car parks, in the “swamp” behind the boathouse (ground conditions permitting) and at the start and finish towers.

Exiting the Site

Trailers and other vehicles departing the main car park should use the Arboretum Road and will be directed towards the site exit from the Ash Tree control point. Traffic on the Arboretum Road will be two-way and drivers should take care of other vehicles, parked cars and cyclists using this road. Vehicles leaving the spectator and subscriber car parks will be directed towards the exit by regatta staff.

Cycling

Cyclists should exercise caution at all times on the site, taking care of other traffic, boating equipment and pedestrians and heeding relevant signage. In particular, for safety reasons, cycling is not permitted in the areas around the boathouse and spectator tent, or from approximately the 1500m mark to the bridge to the island.

Coaches following races should do so on the island only. They are strongly advised to exercise caution as this is a two-way road and will be shared with other cyclists, official vehicles and some pedestrians. While efforts are made to discourage pedestrian access to the island their presence cannot be discounted and cyclists should exercise caution.

General Public

Members of the public are welcome as spectators to the regatta and are required to adhere to the traffic and parking arrangements set out above for the period of the regatta.

Attention is drawn to arrangements in place to ensure the safety of pedestrians and cyclists as the site may become quite busy for periods over the weekend. In particular pedestrians and non-regatta cyclists are requested not to enter the island during the regatta, owing to the hazard represented by groups of fast-moving regatta cyclists following races.

Contingency

These arrangements may be altered in the event of adverse weather or other circumstances restricting the use of grassed areas for parking. If necessary and if time permits an alternative traffic and parking plan will be issued before the regatta. Visitors should follow the directions of regatta staff at all times.