

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF TIDEWAY NAVIGATION UPPER

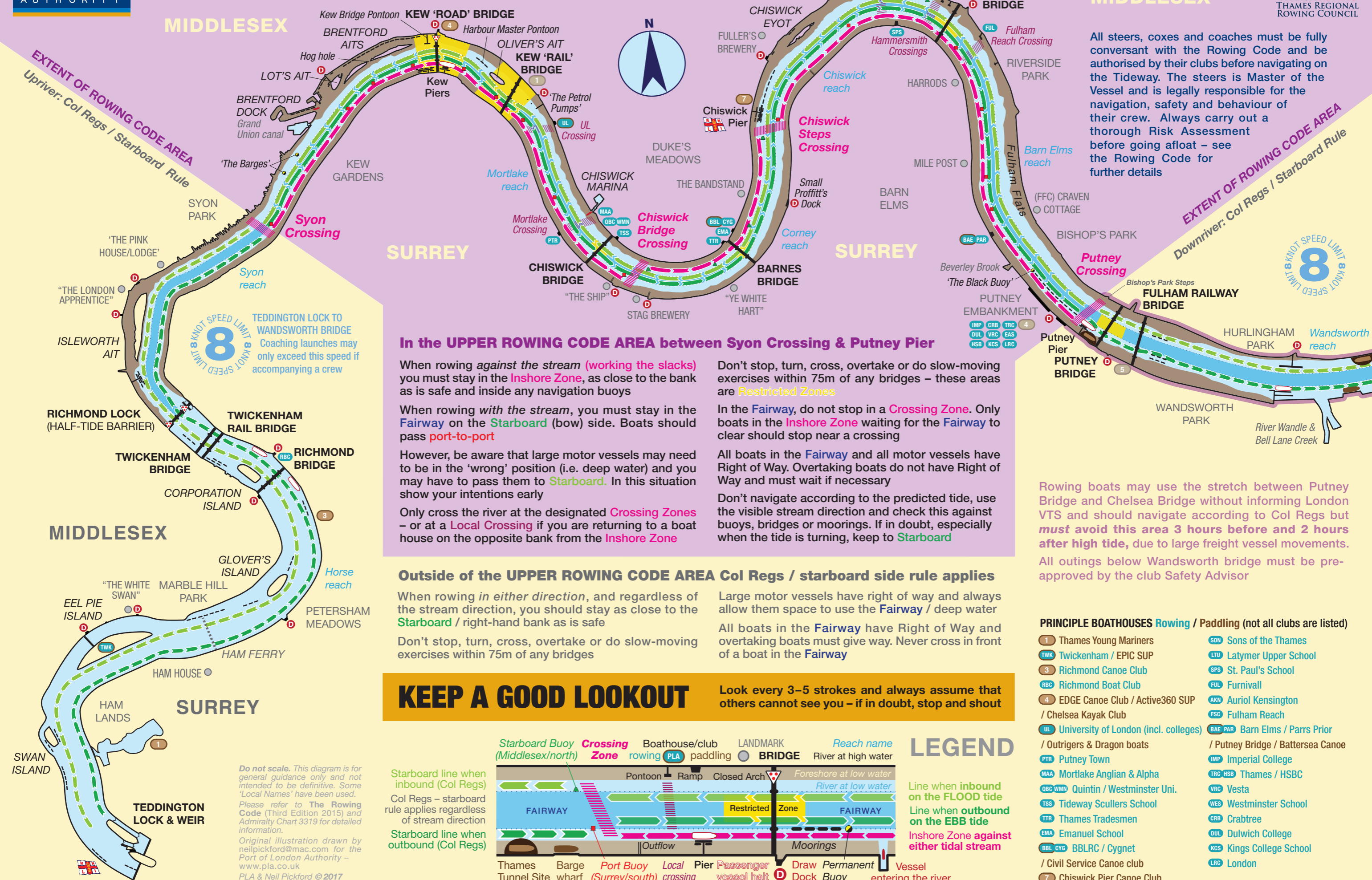
To accompany "Rowing on the Tideway – A Code of Practice for Rowing on the Tidal Thames" (Edition 3/r1 2017)

MIDDLESEX

EXTENT OF ROWING CODE AREA
Upriver: Col Regs / Starboard Rule

MIDDLESEX

EXTENT OF ROWING CODE AREA
Downriver: Col Regs / Starboard Rule



All steers, coxes and coaches must be fully conversant with the Rowing Code and be authorised by their clubs before navigating on the Tideway. The steers is Master of the Vessel and is legally responsible for the navigation, safety and behaviour of their crew. Always carry out a thorough Risk Assessment before going afloat – see the Rowing Code for further details

In the UPPER ROWING CODE AREA between Syon Crossing & Putney Pier

When rowing **against the stream** (working the slacks) you must stay in the **Inshore Zone**, as close to the bank as is safe and inside any navigation buoys

Don't stop, turn, cross, overtake or do slow-moving exercises within 75m of any bridges – these areas are **Restricted Zones**

When rowing **with the stream**, you must stay in the **Fairway** on the **Starboard** (bow) side. Boats should pass **port-to-port**

In the **Fairway**, do not stop in a **Crossing Zone**. Only boats in the **Inshore Zone** waiting for the **Fairway** to clear should stop near a crossing

However, be aware that large motor vessels may need to be in the 'wrong' position (i.e. deep water) and you may have to pass them to **Starboard**. In this situation show your intentions early

All boats in the **Fairway** and all motor vessels have Right of Way. Overtaking boats do not have Right of Way and must wait if necessary

Only cross the river at the designated **Crossing Zones** – or at a **Local Crossing** if you are returning to a boat house on the opposite bank from the **Inshore Zone**

Don't navigate according to the predicted tide, use the visible stream direction and check this against buoys, bridges or moorings. If in doubt, especially when the tide is turning, keep to **Starboard**

Outside of the UPPER ROWING CODE AREA Col Regs / starboard side rule applies

When rowing in **either direction**, and regardless of the stream direction, you should stay as close to the **Starboard** / right-hand bank as is safe

Large motor vessels have right of way and always allow them space to use the **Fairway** / deep water

Don't stop, turn, cross, overtake or do slow-moving exercises within 75m of any bridges

All boats in the **Fairway** have Right of Way and overtaking boats must give way. Never cross in front of a boat in the **Fairway**

KEEP A GOOD LOOKOUT

Look every 3–5 strokes and always assume that others cannot see you – if in doubt, stop and shout

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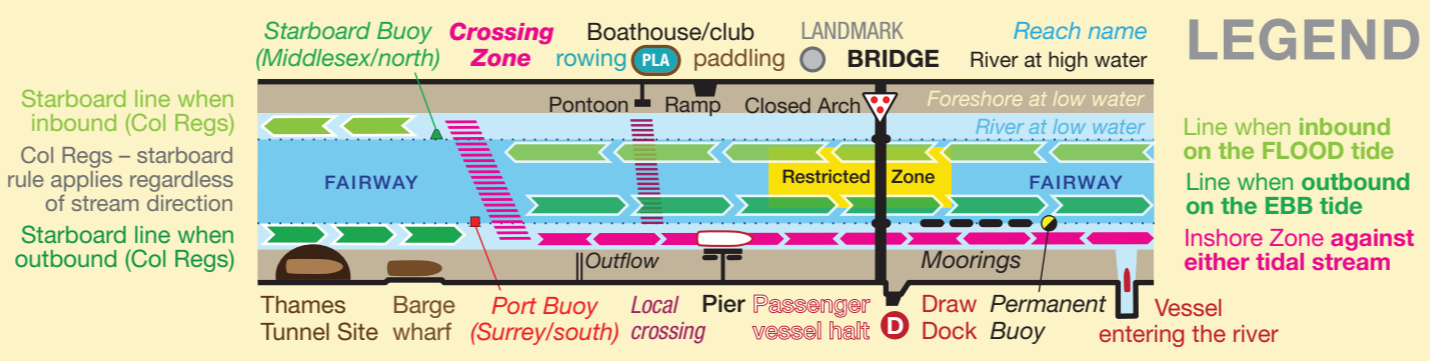
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TEDDINGTON LOCK TO WANDSWORTH BRIDGE
Coaching launches may only exceed this speed if accompanying a crew

Do not scale. This diagram is for general guidance only and not intended to be definitive. Some 'Local Names' have been used. Please refer to The Rowing Code (Third Edition 2015) and Admiralty Chart 3319 for detailed information. Original illustration drawn by neilpickford@mac.com for the Port of London Authority – www.pla.co.uk PLA & Neil Pickford © 2017



- ### PRINCIPLE BOATHOUSES Rowing / Paddling (not all clubs are listed)
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| 1 Thames Young Mariners | SON Sons of the Thames |
| TWK Twickenham / EPIC SUP | LTU Latymer Upper School |
| 3 Richmond Canoe Club | SPS St. Paul's School |
| RBC Richmond Boat Club | FUL Fulham |
| 4 EDGE Canoe Club / Active360 SUP / Chelsea Kayak Club | AKN Auriol Kensington |
| UL University of London (incl. colleges) | FSC Fulham Reach |
| / Outriggers & Dragon boats | BAE PAR Barn Elms / Parris Prior |
| PTR Putney Town | / Putney Bridge / Battersea Canoe |
| MAA Mortlake Anglian & Alpha | IMP Imperial College |
| QBC WMN Quintin / Westminster Uni. | TRC HSB Thames / HSBC |
| TSS Tideway Scullers School | VRC Vesta |
| TTR Thames Tradesmen | WES Westminster School |
| EMA Emanuel School | CRB Crabtree |
| BBL CYG BBLRC / Cygnet | DUL Dulwich College |
| / Civil Service Canoe club | KCS Kings College School |
| 7 Chiswick Pier Canoe Club | LRC London |