



**BYELAWS RELATING TO
CONTROL OF BOATS
ON THE
RIVER STOUR AND
CHRISTCHURCH HARBOUR**

BYELAWS MADE BY BOURNEMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL UNDER SECTION 76 PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1961 (AS AMENDED) AND SECTION 235 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 RELATING TO THE CONTROL OF BOATS ON THE RIVER STOUR AND CHRISTCHURCH HARBOUR

1. These Byelaws shall apply to that part of the River Stour which lies within the administrative area of the Borough Council of Bournemouth from the Old Iford Bridge to where the River Stour unites with the River Avon and thence the united waters to the Haven Mouth including Christchurch Harbour
2. In these Byelaws 'navigator' means the person who, whether as owner or otherwise has the charge or control of a boat and includes a person who being present is entitled to give orders to the person having charge or control
3. No person being the navigator of a boat propelled by an internal combustion engine shall use the boat unless the engine is fitted with a silencer suitable and sufficient for reducing as far as may be reasonable the noise caused by the escape of the exhaust gases from the engine
4. No person being the navigator of a boat shall without reasonable excuse cause or suffer such vessel to exceed a speed of 4 nautical miles per hour through the water Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any person who is (a) taking part in any event organised by the Council or by any other person with the consent of the Council in writing or (b) acting in a rescue operation or involved in some other emergency
5. No person, being the navigator of a boat, shall cause or suffer such vessel to be driven or sailed in a dangerous manner or without due care and attention or without reasonable consideration for other persons
6. Every person who shall offend against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
7. Nothing contained in any of the foregoing byelaws shall be deemed to be or shall operate as a grant by or on behalf of the Crown as owner of any of the foreshore and seabed below high water mark of any estate or interest

in or right over any part of the foreshore and seabed nor shall anything contained in or done under any of the provisions of the foregoing byelaws in any respect prejudice or injuriously affect the rights and interests of the Crown in such foreshore and seabed or prevent the exercise thereon of any public rights or prejudice or injuriously affect any right power or privilege legally exercisable in over and in respect of the foreshore and seabed

G I V E N under the Common Seal of the Council of the Borough of Bournemouth this 13th day of April One thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine

THE COMMON SEAL of THE COUNCIL)
OF THE BOROUGH OF BOURNEMOUTH)
was hereunto affixed in the)
presence of:-)

Common Seal

Signed Keith Lomas

Chief Executive and Town Clerk

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the 15th day of January 1990.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Signed C L Scoble

C L SCOBLE
An Assistant Under-Secretary of State

18th December 1989
Home Office
LONDON SW1